Town of Oconto Falls Budget Planning Meeting Minutes
Monday October 12, 2026, 5:00 p.m. at the Town Hall

Chairman Alsteen called the meeting to order at 5:00pm.

Roll Call-Alsteen, Peterson, Kaczmarek, Mogged present for the board, Rieth excused absence. Tim Wolf, Bob & Barb Wolf present for the public.

Motion to approve the agenda made by Peterson, second by Kaczmarek. Motion carried.

A $29,102 additional debt payment on the 2026 plow truck will increase taxes collected by that amount. Net new construction will increase taxes collected by $2450.Shared revenue and General Transportation Aid will increase Town revenue by $8602. It was decided the special assessment for curbside garbage pickup would increase to $178 per garbage cart, recycling would stay at $42 per household, for a total of $130,512, an increase of $5940 over 2026 costs. Total revenue will increase 7%.

On the expense side, all contracts increased except for the assessor contract, his contract is averaged over 4 years. The board decided to increase the curbside refuse pickup cost to $178. The recycling fee will stay at $42 for a total special assessment fee of $220. Total expense will increase 7%.

There was no public comment.

The motion to adjourn was made by Kaczmarek, second by Peterson. Motion carried.

Town of Oconto Falls Regular Board Meeting Minutes
Monday October 12, 2026, 6 p.m. at the Town Hall

Chairman Alsteen called the meeting to order at 6pm. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Roll Call-Alsteen, Peterson, Kaczmarek, Mogged present for the board. Rieth excused absence. Bob & Barb Wolf, Tim Wolf, Sharon & Wayne Wenzel, Heather Hodkiewicz, Virgie Damp, Keith Meyers present for the public.

Motion to amend the agenda to include the Ron Blohowiak request for local approval to install swimming buoys on the Oconto River was made by Alsteen, second by Kaczmarek. Motion carried. It will be added as agenda item 10.

Motion to approve the minutes of the last meeting as published made by Kaczmarek, second by Peterson. Motion carried.

Mogged presented the treasurer's Report in Rieth's absence.

The motion to pay bills was made by Kaczmarek, second by Peterson. Motion carried.

Our 2027 agreements are as follows; OFFD-$64,735 plus any costs associated with the 2 tenders the Town owns that live at OFFD including insurance and maintenance plus the 2% fire refund from the DOR; OFAAS-$66,634.54; C of OF-35% of recycling center costs plus 22% of the maintenance costs on the closed city landfill, plus projected $$ to cover shortfalls in the County Recycling Program; R&R Assessing-a 4 year average, $1535 per month with 2027 being our revalue year; Olson Oil- $1.39 per gallon for LP; GFL-$10.66 per household per month for curbside pickup plus $57 a ton for disposal, plus fuel surcharge.

The Oconto Falls Area Ambulance Service Contract was tabled from September. It is a 3-year contract with the first year $66,634.54 and a 3% increase the next 2 years. Peterson made a motion to approve the contract, Kaczmarek second. Motion carried.

Ron Blohowiak has requested the portion of the Oconto River where he lives be added to the Town of Oconto Falls Slow no Wake ordinance to allow safer swimming at his property. Alsteen made the motion to have the clerk explore the best way to proceed, Peterson second. Motion carried.

When the Hemlock Heights subdivision was first plotted, 2 of the west lots had "Reserved for Future Road" designations as part of their legal description. The 2 property owners would like those designations to be removed. There is a process involved, mailers, a public hearing and a Board Resolution. Kaczmarek made the motion to have the clerk work through that process, Peterson second. Motion carried

The public and board had lengthy discussion on the 2000 sq ft Town Hall Plan. Several upgrades were noted and the public in attendance approved of increasing the square footage to make sure this building would fill all Town needs well into the future. It will go back to the drawer. This item will be back on the agenda in November

Public Discussion- Sharon Wenzel asked about how to decrease speed and the quantity of traffic on Elm Lawn Rd. When it is an issue, the County officers should be called.

Town Board Discussion-**Kaczmarek**-None **Peterson**-None **Mogged**-The WTA county unit meeting is this Thursday, October 15th at 7pm. Featured speakers are Todd Skarban, Oconto County Sherriff and Don Vruwink, Railroad Commissioner. 2 in person absentee voting evenings are scheduled for October 20th and October 27th from 4-8pm. **Alsteen-None**

The motion to adjourn was made by Peterson, second by Kaczmarek. Motion carried.

Susan Mogged, Clerk