



AMENDED

City of Onalaska Meeting Notice

COMMITTEE/BOARD: Common Council Organizational Meeting
DATE OF MEETING: April 21, 2020 (Tuesday)
PLACE OF MEETING: City Hall – 415 Main Street
TIME OF MEETING: 7:00 P.M.

This meeting is being conducted via remote conferencing software due to a State of Emergency and the Wisconsin Governor’s Executive Order. Members of the public may call to listen in and provide public input at:

- **Phone Number: 1-312-626-6799**
- **Meeting ID: 978 0450 5297**
- **Password: 54650**

PURPOSE OF MEETING

1. Call to Order and Roll Call
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Rules of the City of Onalaska Common Council and its Sub Committees – Harassment Free Forum
4. Approval of minutes from previous meeting
5. Public Input (limited to 3 minutes per individual)

REPORT FROM THE MAYOR:

6. Common Council Vacancy
7. Recognition of public service by standing boards and committees
8. Oath of Office for newly elected officials

Consideration and possible action on the following items:

9. Election of a Council President

NOTICES MAILED TO:

*Mayor Kim Smith	_____	_____
*Ald. Tom Smith	_____	_____
*Ald. Jim Olson	_____	_____
*Ald. Dan Stevens	_____	_____
*Ald. Diane Wulf	_____	_____
*Ald. Steven Nott	_____	_____
*Vacant	_____	_____
City Attorney	City Administrator	_____
Dept Heads	La Crosse Tribune	_____
Coulee Courier		_____
WKTY WLXR WLAX WKBT WXOW		Onalaska Public Library Onalaska Omni Center

*Committee Members

Date Mailed & Posted: 4-16-2020

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10. Appointment of City Staff:
 - A. City Clerk: Caroline Burmaster
 - B. Deputy Finance Director / Deputy Treasurer: Kim Isensee
 - C. City Attorney: Amanda Jackson
 - D. City Assessor: Accurate Appraisal LLC
 - E. City Administrator: Eric Rindfleisch
 - F. Director of Inspections: Katie Aspenson
 - G. Public Works Director / City Engineer: Jarrod Holter
 - H. Weed Commissioner: Katie Aspenson
 - I. Financial Services Director / Treasurer: Fred Buehler
 - J. Parks and Recreation Director: Dan Wick
 - K. Zoning Administrator: Katie Aspenson
11. Appointments to standing committees, boards, commissions, and other committees
12. **Resolution 21 – 2020** - Public Depositories
-  13. **Resolution 22 - 2020** – Increasing Common Council Expenses
14. Adjournment

Good evening, my name is Leanne M. Stokes and I live at 324 14th Avenue North, Onalaska, Wisconsin 54650. I am here this evening to asking that the Common Council consider naming Jack Pogreba to the vacant alderperson seat in the 3rd. District on Onalaska. He is the candidate who was on the ballot in this race in the Spring election. He received 749 votes and was extremely close to Kim Smith who won the seat.

I do not have a vested interest in the race as I do not live in the 3rd District, I have never met this gentleman. What I do think is very important for you to consider in your decision is that he received 749 votes while Kim Smith received 776 votes in this alderperson's race. A difference of 27 votes or .0176% points.

I know the normal process in a vacancy is to have interested party fill out an application and go thru an interview with the common council. However, Mr. Pogreba has in essence already completed these steps. He filed for the paperwork to be a candidate for this seat and got the required number of signatures. (his application) and was vetted by the voters during the campaign process. (his interview.) The people who voted in the Spring Election did so with a great amount of effort on their part, either by voting absentee, early voting or voting the day of the election all while there was a pandemic. These voters should have the last say in this decision.

Thank you for your thoughtful consideration of this request.

Leanne M. Stokes

2020 – COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

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Administrative Committee

Aldersperson – Chair Tom Smith
Aldersperson – Vice Chair Steven Nott
Aldersperson – Diane Wulf interim (until 3rd
district person takes office)

Arts Commission

Aldersperson – Dan Stevens
Joyce Dively
Claudia Delgado – OHS Student - Advisory Only
Centering Onalaska Rep – Advisory Only

Board of Public Works

Aldersperson – Diane Wulf
Aldersperson – Steven Nott
Aldersperson – Alternate Jim Olson

Board of Review

Tom Smith
Dan Stevens
Steven Nott

Board of Zoning Appeals

Aldersperson – Diane Wulf
Aldersperson – Tom Smith (Alder who serves on
Plan Commission)
Aldersperson – 2nd Alternate Steven Nott
Craig Breitsprecher
Gargi Chaudhuri

Community Development

Authority

Aldersperson (Alder on F&P)-Jim Olson
Aldersperson (Alder NOT on F&P) Tom Smith
OHS Student –Vacant

Finance & Personnel Committee

Aldersperson – Chair Dan Stevens
Aldersperson – Vice Chair Jim Olson
Aldersperson – Diane Wulf

Historical Preservation Comm.

Aldersperson – Jim Olson
Jim Nelson
Ho-Chunk Nation or other Native American Rep
–Ex Officio Member- Vacant

Joint Municipal Court

Fred Buehler
Eric Rindfleisch-Alternate

Judiciary Committee

Aldersperson – Chair Steven Nott
Aldersperson – Vice Chair Tom Smith
Aldersperson - Diane Wulf interim (until 3rd
district person takes office)

La Crosse County Convention &

Visitors Bureau

Aldersperson- Dan Stevens

Long Range Planning Committee

Sam Scinta
Dana Fredrickson
Kristen Odegaard
Debbie Clarkin

2020 – COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION APPOINTMENTS

Municipal Harbor Commission

Aldersperson – Steven Nott
Ken Berg
Jim Berns
Jay Twite

Onalaska Enhancement Foundation

Aldersperson- Diane Wulf

Onalaska School Liaison

Aldersperson- Tom Smith

Parks, Recreation & Library Board

Aldersperson – Steven Nott interim (until 3rd
district person takes office)
Jonathan Klock
Brain Udermann
OHS Student – Vacant

Plan Commission

Aldersperson – Tom Smith
Craig Breitsprecher
Knutte (Skip) Tempte

Plan Sub Committee

Aldersperson – Tom Smith
Knutte (Skip) Tempte

Police & Fire Commission

Lori Olson

Room Tax Commission

Aldersperson – Dan Stevens
Peg Binash
Jason Lund
Peter Boese
Val Erickson (Hotel/Motel Rep)

Utilities Committee

Aldersperson – Chair Jim Olson
Aldersperson – Vice Chair Dan Stevens
Aldersperson – Diane Wulf

RESOLUTION No. 21-2020

TO: The Honorable Mayor and Council Members, Onalaska, Wisconsin

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Onalaska, Wisconsin, has designated the following banks/investment pools/credit unions as public depositories for all public monies ear-marked for the City General Fund, Checking and Savings Accounts, coming into the hands of the current and/or any successor to the City Treasurer.

- **BMO- HARRIS BANK**
- **RIVER BANK OF LA CROSSE**
- **ASSOCIATED WEALTH MANAGEMENT – GREEN BAY**
- **COULEE BANK OF LA CROSSE**
- **STATE BANK FINANCIAL OF LA CROSSE/ONALASKA**
- **WELLS FARGO BANK OF LA CROSSE/ONALASKA**
- **TRUST POINT INC./LA CROSSE**
- **VERVE A CREDIT UNION OF LA CROSSE/ONALASKA**
- **ASSOCIATED BANK/LA CROSSE**
- **STATE OF WISCONSIN LOCAL GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT POOL**
- **MERCHANT BANK NATIONAL ASSOCIATION**
- **U.S. BANK/LA CROSSE/ONALASKA**
- **BREMER BANK**

or any other bank that is deemed advantageous to the City of Onalaska, Wisconsin, as well; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Onalaska, Wisconsin, has designated the following investment pool as a public depository for all public monies coming into the hands of the current and/or any successor to the City Treasurer:

STATE OF WISCONSIN LOCAL GOVERNMENT INVESTMENT POOL

or any other investment pool that is deemed advantageous to the City of Onalaska, Wisconsin, as well; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council of the City of Onalaska, Wisconsin, has designated the following credit unions as public depositories for all public monies coming into the hands of the current and/or any successor to the City Treasurer:

VERVE A CREDIT UNION LA CROSSE/ONALASKA

Or any other credit union that is deemed advantageous to the City of Onalaska as well; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council has granted the City Treasurer authority to use the depositories interchangeably as he deems most advantageous to the City.

NOW, THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of Onalaska that funds shall be drawn by check only upon the signature of the Mayor and/or the President of the Common Council and the City Clerk countersigning, except that the City Treasurer be authorized to make draws for investment of funds not immediately needed; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that with regard to such deposits or investments of such funds, the City Treasurer shall take into consideration the following factors:

1. The safety and security of the investment or deposit shall be paramount;
2. The interest rate and other terms offered;
3. The capacity of the depository to handle the size of the deposit or investment;
4. The amount of existing City funds which are already in such depository; and

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, that the City Clerk be and is hereby directed to certify such bank(s), State Investment Pool and credit union(s) the proper and authentic signatures of said Mayor, President of the Council, City Clerk and City Treasurer, under Seal of the City.

Dated this 21st day of April 2020.

CITY OF ONALASKA

By: _____
Kim Smith, Mayor

Caroline Burmaster, City Clerk

Passed:

Approved:



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RESOLUTION NO. 22 -2020

A RESOLUTION INCREASING COMMON COUNCIL EXPENSES

WHEREAS, a novel strain of the coronavirus, named COVID-19 has spread throughout numerous countries including the United States; and

WHEREAS, the World Health Organization has declared a Public Health Emergency of International Concern; and

WHEREAS, the United States Department of Health and Human Services has declared a Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, the State of Wisconsin and City of Onalaska has declared a Public Health Emergency; and

WHEREAS, the Common Council and Mayor of Onalaska, like many Onalaska city employees, are teleworking and are adapting to working under new and different conditions in order to still efficiently and effectively serve the citizens of the City of Onalaska; and

WHEREAS, due to the closure of City hall and the need to perform their work in new and different ways, there are new expenses associated with teleworking that elected officials are facing, including but not limited to need for additional or increased Wi-Fi, microphones, webcams, data, paper and printing costs.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that due to the current circumstances, the City of Onalaska shall increase the expense reimbursement provided to the Mayor and Council Members by an additional \$100/month effective May 1, 2020 through December 31, 2020.

Dated this ___ day of April, 2020.

CITY OF ONALASKA

BY: _____
Kim Smith, Mayor

Caroline Burmaster, City Clerk

Passed:
Approved:
Published: