

**Common Council
of the City of Onalaska**

Tuesday, January 13, 2015

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1 The Meeting of the Common Council was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday, January 13,
2 2015. It was noted that the meeting had been announced and a notice posted at City Hall.

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4 Roll call was taken, with the following members present: Mayor Joe Chilsen, Ald. Erik
5 Sjolander, Ald. Jim Bialecki, Ald. Jack Pogreba, Ald. Jim Olson, Ald. Harvey Bertrand

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7 Also Present: City Clerk Cari Burmaster, Land Use and Development Director Brea Grace, City
8 Engineer Jarrod Holter, City Attorney Sean O’Flaherty, Financial Services Director/Treasurer
9 Fred Buehler

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11 Excused Absence: Ald. Bob Muth

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13 **Item 2 – Pledge of Allegiance**

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15 The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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17 **Item 3 – Public Input: (limited to 3 minutes/individual)**

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19 Mayor Chilsen welcomed public input at this time.

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21 **Pastor Nancy Hatlevig**
22 **833 Sand Lake Road**
23 **Onalaska**

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25 “I’m here on behalf of local pastors and churches who, first of all, Mayor Chilsen and Council
26 members, we want to say thank you for all that you do. Thank you for your work and your time
27 and your wisdom. I would like to offer a short prayer tonight for the meeting. If you care to join
28 me I’m going to pray, and I thank you for that opportunity: *“Heavenly Father, we thank you*
29 *tonight for this city and this Council meeting tonight, Lord. We thank you that you love the*
30 *people here, and that you have great wisdom to give to these leaders in our community. Thank*
31 *you, Lord, that you have wisdom when knowledge is not enough, and information and opinions*
32 *are not enough. We thank you for your wisdom, Lord, to do what is the best thing to do, and to*
33 *make the decisions that will benefit the people in the city and make a difference for every life.*
34 *Lord, we thank you tonight. We thank you that our battle is not against flesh and blood,*
35 *according to Ephesians Chapter 6. Lord, we thank you that we’re here to be a blessing in this*
36 *city. Thank you for the City of Onalaska, this beautiful place that we live. And we pray that it*
37 *would continue to be a beautiful place and that no harm would come to our school children, to*
38 *our colleges, to the recreational areas here, our families – everyone that dwells here [and] every*
39 *business, Lord. We pray there would be blessing in our city to benefit many people, and to be a*
40 *city that can declare that life is good. So we thank you. We pray for our police officers and our*
41 *fire department and all of our emergency workers and people that are working in our systems of*
42 *the city that come every day to serve the community. We thank you for their labors. We pray*

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43 *that you would reward them in ways that money cannot. [We pray] that you would bless their*
44 *lives and that you would make everyone effective in their work. [We pray] that they would have*
45 *an advantage over darkness. [We pray] that we would be effective in stopping the progress of*
46 *darkness against our young people – the drug culture, the thugs and all the things that are going*
47 *on in our day, Lord. We’re looking to your hand to help us as a people, to make a difference, to*
48 *set lives free, and to make our city to be a shining city in this nation that we live in. We thank*
49 *you now that we can ask these things and believe that you know and hear us. In Jesus’ name I*
50 *pray, Amen.”*

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52 **Matthew Christen**
53 **308 14th Avenue South**
54 **Onalaska**
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56 “I want to speak to the vote tonight on Option No. 2 for 3rd Avenue South, and to thank the
57 Council for supporting the Complete Streets resolution that we have in place in the City of
58 Onalaska. One of those tenants is to network and to bring transportation routes, both for
59 pedestrians and cyclists as well as others, together so that people can get from one place to
60 another effectively and safely. I support the option to put bike lanes on 3rd Avenue because it
61 does that. It connects between the state trails. It connects between the library and other parts of
62 the city. It connects to the businesses on Main Street, and it helps to bring people from one place
63 to another without a lot of difficulty – especially when it comes to finding the trailheads. I think
64 that our students from the high school spend a lot of time going between the high school and the
65 trails as well as other parts of the city, and they use 3rd Avenue a lot. There are others that come
66 into our city, and they’re going to find that that’s a very desirable way to get to be able to get
67 from one place to another as they go along the state trails. [As for] the economic part of it,
68 people on bikes come here and they spend some money. When they can do it and do it safely
69 and come up into our business area, that’s helpful. It has been shown around our country [there
70 is a] 3 to 49 percent increase in retail sales when you introduce bike infrastructure near
71 businesses. I know that there is a trade-off when you take out some parking, and I think that the
72 economic benefits, the safety and the plus for our community as people come and visit is going
73 to far exceed anything that we might create in terms of difficulty for someone in terms of
74 parking. I thank the Council, and I support the option to put bike lanes on 3rd Avenue. Thank
75 you.”

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77 **Kevin Miller, Owner of Blue Heron Bicycle Works**
78 **213 Main Street**
79 **Onalaska**
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81 “I’m here to put an exclamation point on the importance of getting Option No. 2 on 3rd Avenue.
82 I believe it is vital to the businesses in the community as well as the residents and tourists who
83 move through from trailhead to trailhead. As Matthew had mentioned, I believe it’s just one big
84 step in the right direction. I believe a lot of good and goodwill and business will come from this
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85 addition to the community. To really link together is an important piece of the puzzle from
86 commuting from into La Crosse now over to the north side, where there is a bridge going in over
87 the railyard, and then to stitch together the infrastructure all the way to the trailhead. From there
88 you can go all the way up to Trempealeau, and that's a wonderful thing. Again, I'm here to
89 speak on behalf of Option No. 2. Thanks."

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91 **Laura Black-Law, Onalaska Public Library Manager**
92 **No address given**

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94 "I'm also in support of the bike trails because I feel like it would help the safety along 3rd
95 Avenue or Oak Avenue as it is right there in front of the library. Oak Forest and [State Trunk]
96 Highway 35, as cars come off of that between the library and Kwik Trip, it's like a speedway and
97 I would love to see anything that would help to calm down the traffic and increase the safety for
98 all ages. Thank you."

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100 **Sarah Hughes**
101 **2260 Evenson Drive**
102 **Onalaska**

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104 "I am an avid cyclist and I just want to voice my support for bike lanes everywhere, but
105 especially by the library. My kids and I like to ride our bikes over to the library – not in January,
106 but in the warmer months. It's a nice activity, but we specifically take this roundabout way over
107 there because the traffic there is pretty rough. It also would provide a corridor that would
108 connect to the state trail. I think somebody was talking about it just as I came in. It goes all the
109 way to Trempealeau and it would be a nice connector because as it is now you kind of have to go
110 down to a light and then cross [STH] 35. It's a little treacherous. It would be nice. It would
111 help with traffic, and I just think any increase in bike lanes in our city is a good idea. Thank
112 you."

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114 **Hubert Hoffman**
115 **N5449 Sobkowiak Road**
116 **Onalaska**

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118 "I represent the 19th District on the La Crosse County Board. I'm here tonight, unfortunately, to
119 not talk about something good, [which is] the bike trail. Unfortunately, I'm here to talk about
120 something I view as bad. I believe that the La Crosse County Board has the votes and intends to
121 pass a \$20 per car registration fee. As it stands right now, unless they have a two-thirds majority
122 vote to suspend the rules and pass it completely at the meeting on Thursday they'll have to have
123 the first reading on Thursday, and they'll have to have the second reading in February. There is
124 a little bit of time for the public to weigh in on this. So far, with the public hearing that was held
125 on this in November of 2014, and every phone call and email I have seen, the response has been
126 overwhelmingly and 100 percent against this wheel tax. However, I believe the La Crosse

127 County Board intends to enact it anyway. Now, you take that and you couple it with the request
128 that has been made of the Governor to add a \$50 fee to car registration for vehicles that are
129 ‘green’ vehicles, [or] hybrid or electric vehicles, and we are now talking about almost doubling
130 the registration cost for the vehicles that do the least amount of damage to our environment. I
131 think that this is not well thought-out. In addition, the way the resolution reads, it reads that the
132 money must be used for transportation purposes paying for the employees who work for the
133 county highway department would be considered transportation purposes. Therefore, they could
134 use this money to pay the county employees who work for the county highway department.
135 That’s currently paid for by tax levy. Then they would use that money that’s being paid for out
136 of tax levy to grow other departments. That’s why I’m opposed to it. I’m hoping that the
137 citizens will rise up, speak up and let their voices be heard. I’m hoping that you on the City
138 Council will let your voices be heard for or against. I realize you can’t take any action on it
139 tonight because it’s not on your agenda, but I just thought I would bring that forward. Thank
140 you.”

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142 **Jack Pogreba, Third District Alderperson**
143 **811 13th Avenue South**
144 **Onalaska**

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146 “I just wanted to publically apologize to the citizens for my actions this week of not getting my
147 [reelection] papers in on time. I had every intention [of doing so], but when I make a mistake I
148 want to apologize for that. Any harm it may have caused it may have caused anybody in that,
149 especially Cari here for the extra work, I want to say thank you and also make sure you
150 understand I truly apologize. [I also apologize] to the other Council members here. Thank you.”

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152 Mayor Chilsen called three times for anyone else wishing to provide public input and closed that
153 portion of the meeting.

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155 **Item 4 – REPORT FROM THE MAYOR:**

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157 A. Library statistics and news

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159 Mayor Chilsen said he had not been supplied with any statistics.

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161 B. **Resolution 4-2015** – to Convert the Waterfront Committee to the Great River Landing
162 Committee

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164 Brea said the Waterfront Committee appreciates the name “Great River Landing” as it brands the
165 project. Brea said a suggestion had been made to change the name to the Great River Landing
166 Committee so that the duties of the committee would remain the same. Brea added she also
167 recommends that the composition remain the same.

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169 Motion by Ald. Sjolander, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve Resolution 4-2015 – to Convert
170 the Waterfront Committee to the Great River Landing Committee.

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172 Ald. Pogreba suggested that perhaps the Great River Landing might not be an appropriate
173 description as there really is not a landing present. Ald. Pogreba estimated that 90 percent of the
174 traffic will be coming from the STH 35 down to that area.

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176 Brea said, “The committee discussed that the landing isn’t necessarily just for boating. We’re at
177 the hub of the bike trails. We’re at the terminus of Main Street. We are along The Great River
178 Road. This is a regional landing for multiple modes of transportation. This is how it was looked
179 at.”

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181 On voice vote, motion carried.

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183 C. Consideration of Mayor’s Appointments to the Great River Landing Committee

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185 Mayor Chilsen noted that Council members’ packets include a list of appointees, including: Ald.
186 Sjolander, Ald. Bertrand, Dustin Hundt, Debbie Clarkin, John Burnett, Mary Cody, and Gary
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189 Motion by Ald. Pogreba, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve Mayor’s Appointments to the
190 Great River Landing Committee.

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192 On voice vote, motion carried.

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194 D. **Resolution 5-2015** – to Dissolve the Project Management Committee

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196 Brea noted that the Common Council had voted in 2014 to return National Scenic Byways Grant
197 funds, and also noted that the committees mentioned in Resolution 5-2015, Resolution 6-2015
198 and Resolution 7-2015 are related to the Great River Cultural and Tourism Center.

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200 Motion by Ald. Sjolander, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve Resolution 5-2015 – to dissolve
201 the Project Management Committee.

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203 Ald. Pogreba asked if the construction of a Tourism Center would no longer be an option if the
204 Project Management Committee is eliminated.

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206 Ald. Bialecki said he does not think so and noted that in 2008 there was a grant tied to the Great
207 River Cultural and Tourism Center. Ald. Bialecki noted this grant no longer exists and said he
208 considers this to be a “housekeeping” matter.

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210 On voice vote, motion carried.

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E. **Resolution 6-2015** – to Dissolve the Great River Cultural and Tourism Center Building Committee

Motion by Ald. Olson, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve Resolution 6-2015 – to dissolve the Great River Cultural and Tourism Center Building Committee.

Ald. Bialecki said plans for a Tourism Center have not been abandoned, but added it will not be the same scope as originally planned.

On voice vote, motion carried.

F. **Resolution 7-2015** – to Dissolve the Great River Cultural and Tourism Center Exhibit and Artifact Committee

Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve Resolution 7-2015 – to dissolve the Great River Cultural and Tourism Center Exhibit and Artifact Committee.

On voice vote, motion carried.

G. Confirmation of Dissolution the 2008 Waterfront Master Plan

Brea noted that the Common Council had decided on March 11, 2014 to return the National Scenic Byways Grant and said the City of Onalaska at that time essentially dissolved the 2008 Waterfront Master Plan. Brea said approval of this item will confirm the dissolution of the plan.

Motion by Ald. Pogreba, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve the confirmation of dissolution to the 2008 Waterfront Master Plan.

On voice vote, motion carried.

H. **Resolution 1-2015** – Adopting the La Crosse County Multi-Hazards Mitigation Plan 2015-2019

Motion by Ald. Pogreba, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve Resolution 1-2015 – Adopting the La Crosse County Multi-Hazards Mitigation Plan 2015-2019.

On voice vote, motion carried.

I. Proclamation – Recognition of Police Officer Kevin Johnson’s Retirement

252 Mayor Chilsen read the Proclamation for Recognition of Police Officer Kevin Johnson's
253 Retirement.

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255 Motion by Ald. Pogreba, second by Ald. Olson, to approve Proclamation – Recognition of Police
256 Officer Kevin Johnson's Retirement.

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258 On voice vote, motion carried.

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260 J. Proclamation – League of Wisconsin Municipalities Partnerships in Prosperity: An
261 agenda for a Competitive 21st Century Wisconsin

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263 Mayor Chilsen read the Proclamation for League of Wisconsin Municipalities Partnerships in
264 Prosperity: An agenda for a Competitive 21st Century Wisconsin.

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266 Motion by Ald. Pogreba, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve Proclamation – League of
267 Wisconsin Municipalities Partnerships in Prosperity: An agenda for a Competitive 21st Century
268 Wisconsin.

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270 On voice vote, motion carried.

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272 **RECOMMENDATIONS FOR APPROVAL AND/OR POSSIBLE ACTION FROM THE**
273 **FOLLOWING COMMITTEES/COMMISSIONS/BOARDS:**

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275 All items listed under the consent agenda are considered routine and will be enacted by one
276 motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a council member requests
277 removal, in which event the item will be removed from the consent agenda and considered in the
278 order of business in the non-consent agenda.

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280 **Item 5 – Consent Agenda**

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282 A. Approval of minutes from the previous meeting(s)

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284 **JUDICIARY COMMITTEE**

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286 B. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1490-2015** – to rezone properties located in Section 8
287 Township 16, Range 7 in the City of Onalaska, La Crosse County, Wisconsin from B-2
288 Community Business to M-2 Industrial (Evenson Property) (Third and Final Reading)

289 C. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1492-2015** – to create Title 10 Chapter 7 of the Onalaska
290 Code of Ordinances related to Golf Carts (First and Second Reading)

291 D. Approval of **Ordinance No. 1494-2015** – to rezone adjacent property located in Section
292 8 Township 16 North, Range 7 in the City of Onalaska, La Crosse County, Wisconsin
293 from Neighborhood Business (B-1) to Community Business (B-2) (McCormick Property)
294 (First and Second Reading)

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296 **ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE**

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298 E. Approval of Operator's Licenses as listed on report dated January 7, 2015

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300 **BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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302 F. Approval of permanent easement acquisition from the School District of Onalaska for
303 Well #9 reconstruction project

304 G. Approval of authorization to bid Well #9 Reconstruction Project

305 H. Approval of placing on file Onalaska Waterworks Wisconsin Department of Natural
306 Resources Sanitary Survey

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308 **PLAN COMMISSION**

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310 I. Approval of 2015 Plan Sub-Committee and Plan Commission Meeting Schedule

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312 **WATERFRONT COMMITTEE**

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314 J. Approval of 2015 Waterfront (Great River Landing) Committee Schedule

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316 Motion by Ald. Pogreba, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve the Consent Agenda.

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318 On voice vote, motion carried.

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320 **Non-Consent Agenda**

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322 **Item 6 – RECAP ITEMS PULLED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA**

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324 As there were no items pulled from the Consent Agenda, Item 7 was addressed next.

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326 **Item 7 – FINANCE COMMITTEE**

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328 A. Vouchers

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330 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve the vouchers expended since the last
331 Common Council meeting on December 9, 2014, in the amount of \$13,027,731.55.

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333 On voice vote, motion carried.

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335 B. Authorization to purchase 20 4-inch diameter trees for the Onalaska Cemetery

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337 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Sjolander, to approve authorization to purchase 20 4-
338 inch diameter trees for the Onalaska Cemetery.

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340 On voice vote, motion carried.

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342 C. Authorization to purchase a 2-ton truck cab and chassis under the state contract not to
343 exceed \$29,780

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345 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve authorization to purchase a 2-ton
346 truck cab and chassis under the state contract not to exceed \$29,780.

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348 Ald. Pogreba explained to those in attendance that although it might seem like the Council is
349 moving quickly through each item the alderpersons have already seen many of the financial
350 figures while examining the budget.

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352 On voice vote, motion carried.

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354 D. Authorization to purchase a tool cat not to exceed \$50,907

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356 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Bertrand, to approve authorization to purchase a tool
357 cat not to exceed \$50,907.

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359 On voice vote, motion carried.

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361 E. Authorization to proceed with refinancing the 2006 Water, Sewer Revenue Bond Issue
362 (M.R.B.)

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364 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Bertrand, to approve authorization to proceed with
365 refinancing the 2006 Water, Sewer Revenue Bond Issue (M.R.B.).

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367 On voice vote, motion carried.

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369 F. Authorization to approve the timetable regarding the 2015 Capital Improvement Projects
370 and refinancing of 2006 M.R.B.

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372 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve authorization of the timetable
373 regarding the 2015 Capital Improvement Projects and refinancing of 2006 M.R.B.

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375 On voice vote, motion carried.

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377 G. Acceptance of \$25,200 Urban Forestry Grant award from the Wisconsin Department of
378 Natural Resources for the purpose of tree replanting

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380 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Bertrand, to approve acceptance of \$25,200 Urban
381 Forestry Grant award from the Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources for the purpose of
382 tree replanting.

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384 In response to a question by Ald. Bialecki, Jarrod said Planner/Zoning Inspector Katie Meyer
385 had written the grant.

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387 Ald. Bialecki asked that Katie be told the Council appreciates her efforts.

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389 On voice vote, motion carried.

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391 **Item 8 – PERSONNEL COMMITTEE**

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393 A. Review and consideration of Memorandum of Understanding for STOP Underage
394 Drinking grant

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396 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Sjolander, to approve Memorandum of Understanding
397 for STOP Underage Drinking grant.

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399 On voice vote, motion carried.

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401 B. Review and consideration of Memorandum of Understanding for Multidisciplinary Team
402 Response to Child Maltreatment

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404 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve Memorandum of Understanding for
405 Multidisciplinary Team Response to Child Maltreatment.

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407 On voice vote, motion carried.

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409 C. Request for authorization to replace Police Officer position due to retirement

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411 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Sjolander, to approve request for authorization to
412 replace Police Officer position due to retirement.

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414 On voice vote, motion carried.

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416 **Item 9 – BOARD OF PUBLIC WORKS**

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418 A. Review and consideration of 3rd Avenue South reconstruction project, including
419 installation of bicycle lanes, maintaining current street width and removal of parking on

420 East side of street from Main Street to Oak Forest Drive (Option #2 as presented at
421 BOPW)

422
423 Motion by Ald. Pogreba, second by Ald. Bertrand, to approve 3rd Avenue South reconstruction
424 project, including installation of bicycle lanes, maintaining current street width and removal of
425 parking on East side of street from Main Street to Oak Forest Drive (Option #2 as presented at
426 BOPW).

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428 On voice vote, motion carried.

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430 B. **Resolution 2-2015** – Resolution to authorize a representative to file application for the
431 Safe Drinking Water Loan Program application

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433 Motion by Ald. Pogreba, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve Resolution 2-2015 – Resolution to
434 authorize a representative to file application for the Safe Water Drinking Water Loan Program
435 application.

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437 On voice vote, motion carried.

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439 C. **Resolution 3-2015** – Resolution declaring official intent to reimburse expenditures from
440 proceeds of borrowing

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442 Motion by Ald. Pogreba, second by Ald. Bialecki, to approve Resolution 3-2015 – Resolution
443 declaring official intent to reimburse expenditures from proceeds of borrowing.

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445 Sean requested that the signature line of Resolution 3-2015 be changed to match with the
446 signature lines of the other resolutions.

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448 Ald. Pogreba said, “It doesn’t mention it in the resolution, but we brought it up at the Board of
449 Public Works not to exceed the 20 percent of the full amount. The loan that we’re looking at is
450 [more than] \$3 million. Should that be mentioned at all in that resolution like we mentioned in
451 Board of Public Works?”

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453 Jarrod said, “I think as long as it’s in the minutes ... It was noted by bond counsel who drafted
454 the resolution. I think we’re fine with it in the letter from bond counsel.”

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456 On roll call vote: Ald. Jim Olson – aye, Ald. Erik Sjolander – aye, Ald. Harvey Bertrand – aye,
457 Ald. Jim Bialecki – aye, Ald. Jack Pogreba – aye. Motion carried unanimously.

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459 **Item 10 – REPORT FROM LAND USE & DEVELOPMENT DIRECTOR**

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461 A. Update on Badger-Coulee Transmission Line
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463 Brea reported that both she and Jarrod had provided direct testimony in November and said she
464 had received a request for more information by American Transmission Company. Brea said,
465 “We were providing our expert opinion on what we envision the impacts would be on Onalaska
466 if the Badger-Coulee Line would come through this area. We provided that information. I
467 additionally provided some surrebuttal testimony about the airport overlay zoning. There has
468 been quite a bit of written back-and-forth in the last month plus.”

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470 Brea noted the Public Service Commission held the technical hearings from January 6 through
471 January 9. Brea said, “There was a lot of time spent on the ‘need’ argument by some of the
472 interveners. There are 25 or 26 interveners in the case, and [the question was], is the line really
473 needed? There was a lot of time spent on some specific area environmental impacts, and there
474 were quite a few interveners that were opposed to the southern route. They all came out and
475 expressed their concerns. There was quite a bit of discussion, especially on the last day, about if
476 the line were to go north could the line be double-circuited as it ran through Holmen. The DOT
477 expressed concerns about having the CapX Line and the Badger-Coulee Line on each side of
478 Highway 53 because the DOT wouldn’t have room for expansion. There were discussions about
479 can those two lines be double- or triple-circuited.”

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481 Brea said the next step in the process involves filing briefs, and responses are due after they are
482 filed. Brea said the PSC envisioned releasing a draft matrix by late February, adding the final
483 decision is expected in April. Brea thanked the public for its assistance, noting several citizens
484 have provided feedback. Brea noted the city has an email list of 540 individuals and said more
485 comments were sought. More citizens provided written comments prior to the close of the public
486 hearing on January 5.

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488 B. Update on Town of Onalaska’s petition for incorporation

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490 Brea reported a petition for the Town of Onalaska to convert all its property to a village had gone
491 to the circuit court on December 10. Brea said La Crosse County Circuit Court Judge Scott
492 Horne found that the petition met the statutory criteria necessary to forward the petition for
493 incorporation to the DOA. Brea said the Town of Onalaska now must submit an incorporation
494 application and a \$25,000 filing fee to the DOA, adding she is expecting this to be “a rather
495 lengthy process.” Brea said all annexations from Town of Onalaska properties are “still on
496 hold.”

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498 **Item 11 – CLOSED SESSION**

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500 To consider a motion to convene in Closed Session under Section 19.85(1)(e) of the Wisconsin
501 Statutes for the purpose of deliberating or negotiating the purchase of public properties, the
502 investing of public funds or conducting other specified public business when competitive or
503 bargaining reasons require a closed session, and under Section 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin
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504 Statutes for the purpose of conferring with legal counsel for the governmental body who is
505 rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to be adopted by the body with respect to
506 litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved:

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- 508 • Consideration, development and approval of negotiating strategy regarding boundary
- 509 agreement with the Village of Holmen
- 510 • Consideration and approval of negotiating strategy and Contract between City and OPPA
- 511 • Consideration and approval of negotiating strategy and Contract between City and SORD

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513 And under Section 19.85(1)(g) of the Wisconsin Statutes for the purpose of conferring with legal
514 counsel for the governmental body who is rendering oral or written advice concerning strategy to
515 be adopted by the body with respect to litigation in which it is or is likely to become involved:

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- 517 • Braund Lumber Lease Termination

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519 If any action is required in Open Session, as the result of the Closed Session, the Council will
520 reconvene in Open Session to take the necessary action and/or continue on with the printed
521 agenda.

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523 Motion by Ald. Sjolander, second by Ald. Pogreba, to convene in Closed Session.

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525 On roll call vote: Ald. Erik Sjolander – aye, Ald. Jim Bialecki – aye, Ald. Jack Pogreba – aye,
526 Ald. Jim Olson – aye, Ald. Harvey Bertrand – aye. In Closed Session.

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529 Recorded by:

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531 Kirk Bey