

MEETING MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Tuesday, June 10, 2025 – 6:00 PM
Ashland City Hall Council Chambers

1. Roll Call

The Tuesday, June 10, 2025 City of Ashland Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order by Council President Charlie Ortman at 6:55 p.m.

PRESENT: Kevin Seefeldt, Shawn Brede, Andy Goyke, Jim Gregoire, Charlie Ortman, Nancy Sztynдор.

ABSENT: Peter Levi (excused)

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Matt Mac Kenzie, City Administrator Brant Kucera, City Clerk Denise Oliphant, Fire Chief Stuart Matthias, Police Chief Bill Hagstrom, Public Works Director John Butler, and other interested citizens.

2. Approval of Agenda

A motion by Goyke, seconded by Seefeldt to approve the agenda, passed unanimously by voice vote.

3. Council President's Report

Ortman read to reaffirm the resolution proclaiming June as Pride Month for the City of Ashland.

4. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

A. Allow the Ashland Department to Apply for Wisconsin Department of Natural Resources (WDNR) Forest Fire Protection (FFP) Grant (*Fire Department*)

The item was introduced by Matthias. Seefeldt moved, seconded by Goyke to allow the fire department to submit the grant application. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

B. Allow the Ashland Fire Department to Apply for a Leary Foundation Grant (*Fire Department*)

Matthias introduced the item and answered questions from Council. Goyke moved, seconded by Seefeldt to allow the fire department to submit the grant application. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

C. Contract with Wisconsin Hazardous Materials Response System Services from the Northwest Wisconsin Hazardous Materials Taskforce (*Fire Department*)

Matthias discussed the item with Council. Sztynдор moved, seconded by Seefeldt to advance the item to Council for formal approval. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

D. Allow the Ashland Fire/EMS Department to Submit an Application and Accept a Duluth Superior Area Community Foundation Grant for Paramedic School Tuition (*Fire/EMS Department*)

Matthias introduced the item. Seefeldt moved, seconded by Goyke to allow the fire/EMS department to submit the grant application. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

E. **Review the Draft City of Ashland Comprehensive Outdoor Recreation Plan 2025-2030 (*Public Works*)**

Butler answered questions from Council. Seefeldt moved, seconded by Goyke to advance the item to Council for formal approval. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

F. **Chapter 507 (1691) Operation Of All-Terrain Vehicles (ATVs) And Utility-Terrain Vehicles (UTVs) (*Police Department*)**

Hagstrom introduced the item, and was asked to return the item to the Committee of the Whole with amendment recommendations.

G. **Review and Discussion of the Progress of the City Administrator's Goals (*Mayor*)**

Kucera reviewed his goals and progress of them, set by Council for 2024. A closed session will be held at the next Council meeting for further discussion of his review.

5. **Items for Future Discussion**

No items were offered.

6. **Adjournment**

Goyke moved, seconded by Gregoire to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Oliphant,
City Clerk