

MEETING MINUTES
COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING
Tuesday, June 24, 2025 – 6:00 PM
Ashland City Hall Council Chambers

The Tuesday, June 24, 2025 City of Ashland Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order by Council President Charlie Ortman at 7:30 p.m.

1. **Roll Call**

PRESENT: Kevin Seefeldt, Shawn Brede, Peter Levi, Andrew Goyke, James Gregoire, Charlie Ortman, Nancy Sztynдор

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Matthew MacKenzie, City Clerk Denise Oliphant, Public Works Director John Butler, and other interested citizens.

2. **Approval of Agenda**

A motion by Gregoire, seconded by Sztynдор to approve the agenda as presented, carried unanimously by voice vote.

3. **Council President's Report**

Ortman welcomed Mary Jo Gingras to the meeting for a presentation.

Seefeldt moved, seconded by Gregoire to amend the agenda to allow Gingras to do her presentation before reviewing committee updates. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

4. **Committee Updates**

DPEAC - no report

Harbor Commission - talked of the new fuel system.

Historic Preservation - no report

Library Board - no report

Parks Committee - the new direction would begin next week.

Plan Commission - no report

Public Works Committee - held discussions with WI DOT regarding the future pavement replacement project on USH 2

Sustainability Committee - no report

5. **ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION**

A. **Presentation from MaryJo Gingras, Ashland County Land & Water Conservation Department Regarding Removal of PFAS from Drinking Water (*Councilor Ortman*)**

Mary Jo Gingras of the Ashland County Land & Water Conservation Department offered a presentation regarding PFAS, and answered questions from Council.

6. **Items for Future Discussion**

Seefeldt asked to discuss the EV charging stations.

Ortman would like to see PFAS as a regular agenda item on the Committee of the Whole; discuss the fire protection policy; work with AADC toward the Strategic Planning goal of adding new businesses.

Goyke asked for a step-by-step presentation regarding the property maintenance process.

Levi inquired about an email regarding fireworks.

7. Adjournment

A motion by Goyke and seconded by Sztynдор to adjourn was passed unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Oliphant,
City Clerk