

CITY OF WATERLOO COMMON COUNCIL - MEETING MINUTES: February 19, 2026

[a digital recording of this meeting also serves as the official record]

- 1) CALL TO ORDER, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE & ROLL CALL. Mayor Quimby called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Alderpersons present: A. Kuhl, C.Kuhl, R. Griffin, T. Thomas, R. Weihert, and J. Haseleu. Absent: Cummings. Others attending in-person: Police Chief Sorenson; LT Warner; Utilities Sorenson; DPW Director Yerges; Parks Haberkorn; Treasurer Nelson; Clerk Ritter; Fire Chief Butzine; 2nd LT J. Butzine; Petrie, Dorn, Zimmermann, Giese, Yohn, Nell, Whitebird, C. Butzine, Weber, K. Seibert, Motl, Schick, Hering, Seibert, Black, Hartung, Lemke Kovacs and WLOO Videographers. The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.
- 2) MEETING MINUTES APPROVAL: February 5, 2026 [A. Kuhl/C.Kuhl] VOICE VOTE: Motion Carried. Griffin abstain.
- 3) CITIZEN INPUT / PUBLIC COMMENT: Aug. 11, 2026 Fill the Squad, M. Giese and Heather Yohn Water Tower.
- 4) MEETING SUMMARIES (since last Council meeting)
 - a) 02/17/2026 CDA-CANCELLED
 - b) 02/19/2026 Finance
- 5) CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS Motion [T. Thomas/A.Kuhl] VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
 - a) November Report of City Officials & Contract Service Providers
 - i) Parks
 - ii) Fire & Emergency Medical Services
 - iii) Building Inspections
 - iv) Public Works
 - v) Police
 - vi) Library Board
 - vii) Water & Light Utility Commission
 - viii) Watertown Humane Society
 - ix) Cable TV
- 6) RECOMMENDATIONS OF BOARDS, COMMITTEES, AND COMMISSIONS
 - a) Finance, Insurance and Personnel
 - i) January 2026 Financial Statements: Payroll \$108,114.21, General Disbursements \$1,489,560.85 and Clerk/Treasurer's Reports [\[see on municipal website\]](#) Motion [C.Kuhl/A.Kuhl] ROLL CALL Yes 6 No 0
 - ii) Resolution 2026-03 Fire Department By-laws Deferred to March Motion [C.Kuhl/A.Kuhl] VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
 - iii) Resolution 2026-06 Fireman's Park Walking Trail Grant Application 80/20 grant, Max \$120,000, notice award July/August 2026, construction and reimbursement in 2028. Motion [C.Kuhl/Weihert] ROLL CALL: Y -6 N-0 Motion carried.
 - iv) Resolution 2026-08 Police Dept Grant for Body Wearable Cameras. Motion [C.Kuhl/Griffin] ROLL CALL: Y-6 N-0 Motion carried.
 - v) Proclamation Police Chief Sorenson Retirement
 - vi) Resolution 2026-07 Appointment of Police Chief as recommended by the Mayor and the Personnel Committee. Motion [C.Kuhl/Thomas] VOICE VOTE: Motion carried
 - b) Plan Commission
 - i) 508 Washington St. New CSM approved by Plan Commission and Engineer. Motion. [C.Kuhl/Weihert] VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
 - ii) Resolution 2026-09 New CSM Map for 477 W Madison St – Riverwalk. Regarding 2026-04 Approved by the Plan Commission 1/27/2026. A Resolution Recommending Approval of a Certified Survey Map, Dated January 8, 2026, Dividing Parcel Identification No. 290-0813-644-065 Into Three Lots. Defer Motion [C.Kuhl/ Weihert] VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
- 7) NEW BUSINESS
 - a) 333 Portland Rd Lot #2 Freeze Agreement Motion [Weihert/A. Kuhl] VOICE VOTE: Motion carried.
 - b) Recognizing Fire Department Officers and the New Assistant Chief
- 8) FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS
- 9) ADJOURNMENT [C.Kuhl/R. Weihert] VOICE VOTE: Motion carried. Approx. 7:30 pm

Attest:

Jeanne Ritter Clerk/Deputy Treasurer