

**CITY OF KAUKAUNA
ORDINANCE NO. 1962-2026**

ORDINANCE REPEALING AND REPLACING SECTION 1.44

WHEREAS, Section 1.44 of the Municipal Code establishes the 1000 Islands Environmental Center Committee and sets forth its composition; and

WHEREAS, the 1000 Islands Environmental Center Committee has reviewed its membership structure and recommends reducing the size of the committee to better meet its operational needs; and

WHEREAS, on August 20, 2026, the 1000 Islands Environmental Center Committee unanimously voted to recommend reducing the committee membership from eleven (11) members to nine (9) members and reducing the number of citizen members from eight (8) to six (6); and

WHEREAS, the Common Council finds that amending Section 1.44 to reflect the recommended membership structure is in the best interests of the City and the efficient operation of the 1000 Islands Environmental Center Committee.

NOW, THEREFORE, the Common Council of the City of Kaukauna, Wisconsin, do ordain as follows:

Section 1.44 is hereby created and/or repealed and replaced to read as follows:

AFTER REPEAL AND REPLACE

1. Mission. The 1000 Islands Environmental Center Committee is charged with providing the citizens of Kaukauna the knowledge and skills needed to build a sustainable balance among the environment, economy, and community through education, conservation, and recreation.
2. Composition. The 1000 Islands Environmental Center Committee shall consist of nine (9) members. The President of Friends of the 1000 Islands, or designee, an alderperson, a school board representative, and six (6) citizen members shall constitute the nine (9) members of the 1000 Islands Environmental Center Committee.
3. Appointments.
 - a. The President of Friends of the 1000 Islands, or designee, shall be a voting, ex-officio member.
 - b. The citizen members shall be appointed by the Mayor of Kaukauna, subject to confirmation by the Kaukauna Common Council for a three-year term. These terms shall be staggered so that no more than three

- (3) citizen members' terms shall expire each year.
 - c. The school board representative and alderperson shall be appointed by their respective governing bodies to a one (1) year term.
 - d. Members shall be people of recognized experience and qualifications.
 - e. Members do not need to be City of Kaukauna residents.
4. Organization. The members of the committee shall meet annually to elect a Chair and a Vice-Chair, who shall serve a one (1) year term. All members shall serve without compensation.
5. Powers and Duties.
- a. The Committee may advise the Kaukauna Common Council on policies, programs, and regulations governing the 1000 Islands Environmental Center, and the surrounding 1000 Islands Conservancy Zone.
 - b. The Committee may recommend budgetary priorities or needs to the City department overseeing the 1000 Islands Environmental Center, which may be considered in the department's budget proposal to the Kaukauna Common Council.
 - c. The Committee may make recommendations on policy, regulations, ordinances, and other measures concerning sustainability, conservation, or other environmental issues that may affect the 1000 Islands Environmental Center, the 1000 Islands Conservancy Zone, or the City of Kaukauna as a whole.

Introduced and adopted by Common Council on the 15th day of September 2026.

APPROVED: _____
Anthony J. Penterman, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Kayla Nessmann, Clerk