

Minutes of the Committee of the Whole
Wilmington City Hall
1165 South Water Street
May 10, 2022

Call to Order

The Committee of the Whole meeting on May 10, 2022, was called to order at 5:30 p.m. by Mayor Dietz in the Council Chamber of Wilmington City Hall.

Roll Call

Upon Roll Call by the Clerk the following members of the corporate authorities answered "Here" or "Present":

Aldermen Present Kirwin, Jeffries, Vice, Mietzner, Smith

Aldermen Absent Allred, Holmes, Knight

Quorum

There being a sufficient number of members of the corporate authorities in attendance to constitute a quorum, the meeting was declared in order.

Other Officials in Attendance

Also, in attendance was the City Administrator Jeannine Smith, Chief of Police Joe Mitchell, Public Works Director James Gretencord, ESDA Director Dennis Housman, Superintendent Ken Ewenson, ROINC Patrick Nugent, & Deputy City Clerk Joie Ziller.

Approve Previous Meeting Minutes

Alderman Kirwin made a motion and Alderman Jeffries seconded to approve the April 12, 2022 meeting minutes and have them placed on file. **Upon the voice vote, all yes, the motion carried.**

Public Comment

No public comment was made.

Administrator's Report

City Administrator Smith reviewed her report with the Committee. The report will be included with the approved meeting minutes for future reference. Administrator Smith also stated that two successful SWOT analysis sessions have been held one jointly with Council & PZC and the other with City employees. Plans are to hold with one with members of the Chamber, DMA, and local taxing agencies.

Police & ESDA

Co-Chairs Alderman Mietzner & Alderman Allred

Review & Approve Firearms Purchase

The Committee reviewed the quotes as presented. After some discussion, the Committee agreed to move the necessary purchases to the May 17th Council meeting for full approval.

Review & Discuss the Current Fleet of Police Vehicles

The Committee reviewed the report as presented by Chief Mitchell.

Chief of Police Monthly Summary Report

Chief Mitchell briefed the Council on the monthly happenings within the department. The report will be included with the approved meeting minutes for future reference.

Director of ESDA Monthly Summary Report

ESDA Director Housman reviewed the monthly summary report with the Committee. The report will be included with the approved meeting minutes for future reference.

Ordinance & License Committee

Co-Chairs Alderman Kirwin & Alderman Knight

Review & Discuss Ordinance – Amendment of Façade Improvement Grant

The Committee reviewed the memo and draft ordinance regarding the amendment to the Façade Improvement Grant Program. This amendment will include all the businesses zoned B2A & B3 along Water Street and Baltimore Street. After some discussion, the Committee agreed to the amendments and moved the ordinance to the May 17th Council meeting for full approval.

Review & Discuss Business License Fee and Video Gaming Terminal Fees

The Committee reviewed the memo and information included in the packet. After some discussion, the Committee decided to continue this until the next meeting.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Health & Safety Committee

Co-Chairs Alderman Jeffries & Alderman Smith

Nothing to discuss at this time.

Water, Sewer, Streets and Alleys Committee

Co-Chairs Alderman Vice & Alderman Holmes

Review & Approve Wolf's Sealcoating, Inc. for Improvement at the Water Reclamation Plant

The Committee reviewed the quotes as presented. After some discussion, the Committee agreed to move the necessary purchases to the May 17th Council meeting for full approval.

Monthly Reports

Reports were given and/or presented by the Public Works Director and the ROINC at the Water Reclamation Plant.

Personnel & Collective Bargaining Committee

Co-Chairs Alderman Mietzner & Alderman Holmes

Nothing to discuss at this time.

Finance Administration & Land Acquisition

Co-Chairs Alderman Mietzner & Alderman Holmes

Cell Tower – T-Mobile Site Lease

Bud Blinick, President of Cell At Auction gave his presentation on his company's auction service to buy property and easements and obtain leases to use for placing commercial wireless communications network antennas.


Review & Approve Sponsorship – Wilmington School District 209-U Foundation for Excellence (\$300 Sponsorship)

The Committee approved the \$300 sponsorship for the Wilmington School District 209-U Foundation for Excellence 23rd Annual Golf Outing on September 17, 2022.

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Alderman Vice and seconded by Alderman Jeffries. **Upon the voice vote, the motion carried.** The Committee of the Whole Meeting held on May 10, 2022, adjourned at 7:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Joie Ziller, Deputy City Clerk