

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the  
Wilmington City Council  
Wilmington City Hall  
1165 South Water Street  
July 6<sup>th</sup> , 2021**

**Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of the Wilmington City Council on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Dietz in the Council Chamber of the 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, Allred, Smith

**Alderman Absent** Knight, Holmes

**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 were the City Administrator Joie Ziller, Chief of Police Phillip Arnold, Finance director Matt Hoffman, and City Attorney Bryan Wellner

**Approval of the Previous Regular City Council Meeting**

Alderman Kirwin made a motion and Alderman Vice seconded to approve the previous meeting minutes as written and have them placed on file.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     6 Kirwin, Jeffries, Vice, Mietzner, Smith

**NAYS:**     0

**ABSENT:** 2 Knight, Holmes

The motion carried.

**Mayor’s Report**

USDA Forest Service Prairie Supervisor Wade Sprang and Midewin Interpretive Association President Gerald Heinrich presented Mayor Dietz with a 25<sup>th</sup> Silver Anniversary poster.

**Public Comment**

No comments were made.

**Planning & Zoning Commission**

The next meeting scheduled for Thursday, July 8th, 2021 at 5:00 p.m is cancelled.

**Committee of the Whole Reports**

**A. Police & ESDA**

*Co-Chairs – Jonathan Mietzner and Leslie Allred*

Nothing to report.

**B. Ordinance & License**

*Co-Chairs – Kevin Kirwin and Ryan Knight*

Nothing to report.

**C. Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Health & Safety**

*Co-Chairs – Ryan Jeffries and Thomas Smith*

Nothing to report.

**D. Water, Sewer, Streets & Alleys**

*Co-Chairs – Todd Holmes and Dennis Vice*

Nothing to report.

**E. Personnel & Collective Bargaining**

*Co-Chairs – Jonathan Mietzner and Todd Holmes*

1. Alderman Mietzner made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to approve the hire of Sean Liaromatis as Full-Time Police Officer

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     6 Kirwin, Jeffries, Vice, Mietzner, Smith

**NAYS:**     0

**ABSENT:** 2 Knight, Holmes

The motion carried.

The next scheduled Committee of the Whole Meeting is Tuesday, July 13<sup>th</sup>, 2021 at 5:30 pm.

**F. Finance, Administration & Land Acquisition Committee**

*Co-Chairs – Kevin Kirwin and Ryan Jeffries*

1. Alderman Kirwin made a motion and Alderman Allred seconded to approve the accounting reports in the amount of \$407,220.69 as prepared by the Finance Director

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     6 Kirwin, Jeffries, Vice, Mietzner, Smith

**NAYS:**     0

**ABSENT:** 2 Knight, Holmes

The motion carried.

2. Alderman Jeffries made a motion and Alderman Mietzner seconded to approve the Reuttiger, Tonelli & Associates Proposal for a Downtown Parking Lot

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     6 Kirwin, Jeffries, Vice, Mietzner, Smith

**NAYS:**     0

**ABSENT:** 2 Knight, Holmes

The motion carried.

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, July 20th, 2021 at 6:30 pm.

### **Attorney & Staff Reports**

City Attorney Wellner informed Council that he would be looking into changes that would be made by the passing of the SAFE-T Act.

Finance Director Hoffman informed the Council that the auditors came in for their preliminary field work and would be out again on August 23<sup>rd</sup>. He is also trying to reduce the overall amount of bank accounts that the City has.

Chief of Police Arnold discussed some of the possible changes coming with the State passing new laws pertaining to police practices. He announced that D’Orazio Ford is paying for a Flock camera installation and the State Attorney will match the amounts.

### **Executive Session**

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to open Executive Session at 7:13 p.m. to discuss Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Compensation, Discipline and Performance of an Employee of the City of Wilmington, Collective Negotiating Matters between the City of Wilmington (public body) and its employees, and Matters of Land Acquisition.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     6 Kirwin, Jeffries, Vice, Mietzner, Smith

**NAYS:**     0

**ABSENT:** 2 Knight, Holmes

The motion carried.

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to close Executive Session at 7:57 p.m.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     6 Kirwin, Jeffries, Vice, Mietzner, Smith

**NAYS:**     0


**ABSENT:** 2 Knight, Holmes

The motion carried.

### **Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Alderman Mietzner and seconded by Alderman Jeffries. Upon the voice vote, the motion carried. The Regular Meeting of the City of Wilmington City Council held on July 6<sup>th</sup>, 2021 adjourned at 7:18 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

  
Tessa Krusiński, Executive Secretary