

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WILMINGTON CITY COUNCIL  
SEPTEMBER 5, 2023**

MAYOR BEN DIETZ CALLED TO ORDER THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WILMINGTON CITY COUNCIL AT 7:00 P.M.

**ROLL CALL**

After the pledge of allegiance, the following answered to Roll Call: Alderpersons Kevin Kirwin, Ryan Jeffries, Dennis Vice, Ryan Knight, Jonathan Mietzner, Leslie Allred and Thomas Smith. Absent: Todd Holmes. The number present constitutes a quorum.

Also present: City Administrator Jeannine Smith, Finance Director Nancy Gross, Deputy Police Chief Justin Dole, City Attorney Bryan Wellner, and Deputy City Clerk Joie Ziller.

**CITIZENS COMMENT**

No comments were made.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes from August 15, 2023
2. Approval of the Accounts Payable Report
3. Approval and Authorization for the Wilmington Police Commission to Seek and Hire One Police Officer

Alderperson Kirwin made a motion and Alderperson Mietzner seconded to approve the Consent Agenda for the September 5, 2023, City Council meeting as presented

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**        7 Kirwin, Jeffries, Knight, Mietzner, Allred, Smith, Vice

**NAYS:**        0

**ABSENT:**    1 Holmes

The motion carried.

**MAYOR'S REPORT**

Mayor Dietz referenced the Proclamation Recognizing National Rail Safety Week (September 18 to 24, 2023).

Mayor Dietz read the thank you for the Wilmington Area Community Band

**ORDER OF BUSINESS**

N/A

**REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION FROM CITY OFFICIALS**

City Attorney – Bryan Wellner – No Report

City Administrator – Jeannine Smith – The City is the recipient of a couple of grants that will come before the Committee of the Whole on September 12<sup>th</sup> for discussion and decision.

Finance Director – Nancy Gross – No Report

Public Works Director – James Gretencord – Absent

Deputy Chief of Police – Justin Dole – No Report

**ALDERPERSON COMMENTS**

Aldersperson Kirwin – No Comment

Aldersperson Vice – No Comment

Aldersperson Allred – No Comment

Aldersperson Holmes – No Comment

Aldersperson Jeffries – No Comment

Aldersperson Knight – No Comment

Aldersperson Mietzner – No Comment

Aldersperson Smith – No Comment

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Aldersperson Allred made a motion and Aldersperson Knight seconded to go into Executive Session at 7:05 PM to discuss Collective negotiating matters between the City of Wilmington (public body) and its employees [ILCS 120/2(c)(2)]

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     7 Allred, Knight, Mietzner, Kirwin, Jeffries, Smith, Vice

**NAYS:**     0

**ABSENT:** 1 Holmes

The motion carried.

Aldersperson Allred made a motion and Aldersperson Knight seconded to close Executive Session at 7:28 PM

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     7 Allred, Knight, Mietzner, Kirwin, Jeffries, Smith, Vice

**NAYS:**     0

**ABSENT:** 1 Holmes

The motion carried.

**POSSIBLE ACTION OF EXECUTIVE SESSION ITEMS**

No action taken

**ADJOURNMENT**

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Aldersperson Kirwin and seconded by Aldersperson Knight. Upon the voice vote, the motion carried. The City of Wilmington City Council's regular meeting on September 5, 2023, adjourned at 7:28 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Joie Ziller, Deputy City Clerk