

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE WILMINGTON CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 1, 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, Leslie Allred, Jonathan Mietzner, and Thomas Smith. Absent: Todd Holmes. The number present constitutes a quorum.

Also present: City Administrator Jeannine Smith, Finance Director Nancy Gross, Chief Adam Zink, Public Works Director James Gretencord, City Attorney Bryan Wellner, and Deputy City Clerk Joie Ziller.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Jeffries seconded to open the public hearing at 7:00 PM for the purpose of considering and hearing testimony as to an ordinance annexing certain property and authorizing the execution of a First Amendment to Annexation Agreement for Love's Travel Stops

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 7 Allred, Jeffries, Knight, Kirwin, Smith, Vice, Mietzner
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 1 Holmes

The motion carried.

Attorney Wellner explained the purpose of the public hearing is to correct the legal description of the subject property to incorporate the entrance drive and correct a scrivener's error in paragraph five.

Alderman Kirwin questioned why did it take so long for us to find this, as he was under the impression that they were supposed to break ground sometime in March. Attorney Wellner clarified that the issue was noticed shortly thereafter but once we realized that the legal was not correct, we wanted to make sure discussions were had and that the driveway was in the correct spot so we brought all the stakeholders to the table to have those discussions.

Chad Bauer, representing Love's Travel Stops stated that yes they were expecting to be underway this spring but with this and waiting for the IDOT permit the project is delayed from starting until late this summer maybe even fall.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Mietzner seconded to close the public hearing at 7:05 PM.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 7 Allred, Mietzner, Knight, Kirwin, Jeffries, Smith, Vice
NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 1 Holmes

The motion carried.

CITIZENS COMMENT

Marney Simon commented on the written minutes under Citizen Comment from the July 18, 2023 City Council meeting.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the Regular Meeting Minutes July 18, 2023
2. Approval of the Accounts Payable Report

3. Approve and Authorize the Wilmington Police Commission to Seek and Hire Four Police Officers

Aldersperson Kirwin made a motion and Aldersperson Jeffries seconded to approve the Consent Agenda for the August 1, 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 thanked all the Catfish Days Committee, Staff, and volunteers for a successful event. Mayor Dietz reminded us about Sharefest which is taking place on Saturday, August 5th.

Mayor Dietz administered the oath of office to new Police Officer Michael Whitney.

ORDER OF BUSINESS

1. Aldersperson Mietzner made a motion and Aldersperson Smith seconded to Approve Ordinance No. 23-08-01-01, Approve an Ordinance Annexing Certain Property and Authorizing the Execution of a First Amended Annexation Agreement By and Among the City of Wilmington and Love's Travel Stops & Country Stores, Inc

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 Mietzner, Smith, Vice, Allred, Jeffries, Knight

NAYS: 1 Kirwin

ABSENT: 1 Holmes

The motion carried.

2. Aldersperson Vice made a motion and Aldersperson Knight seconded to Approve and Authorize the Public Work Director to Execute the Grant Agreement with the State of Illinois Environmental Protection Agency for Lead Service Line Inventory

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 Holmes

The motion carried.

3. Aldersperson Allred made a motion and Aldersperson Jeffries seconded to Approve Resolution No. 2023-10, A Resolution to Accept Planning Technical Assistance Services Delivered by the Chicago Metropolitan Agency for Planning and Authorize the Public Works Director to Execute an Intergovernmental Agreement with CMAP to create a Pavement Management Plan

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 Holmes

The motion carried.

4. Aldersperson Jeffries made a motion and Aldersperson Kirwin seconded to Approve and Authorize the City Administrator to Execute a Contract with A.R. Brown & Sons Construction for Painting Services Associated with the RT 66 Mural Project in an amount not to exceed \$5,171

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0
ABSENT: 1 Holmes

The motion carried.

REPORTS AND COMMUNICATION FROM CITY OFFICIALS

City Attorney – Bryan Wellner – No Report

City Administrator – Jeannine Smith – No Report.

Finance Director – Nancy Gross – No Report

Public Works Director – James Gretencord – No Report.

Chief of Police Department – Adam Zink – No Report

ALDERPERSON COMMENTS

Aldersperson Kirwin – No Comment

Aldersperson Vice – No Comment

Aldersperson Allred – No Comment

Aldersperson Holmes – No Comment

Aldersperson Jeffries – Questioned how the parking was going to be laid out on N. Water Street once it is paved

Aldersperson Knight – Referenced the City’s code, 76.16 related to diagonal parking

Aldersperson Mietzner – No Comment

Aldersperson Smith – Thanked all those that partook in this year’s Catfish Days festival

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Aldersperson Allred made a motion and Aldersperson Knight seconded to go into Executive Session at 7:28 PM to discuss Collective negotiating matters between the City of Wilmington (public body) and its employees [ILCS 120/2(c)(2)] and Probable or Imminent Litigation and Pending Litigation [ILCS 2(c)(11)]

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 7:38 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 Alderperson Allred and seconded by Alderperson Vice. Upon the voice vote, the motion carried. The City of Wilmington City Council's regular meeting on August 1, 2023, adjourned at 7:42 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Joie Ziller". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above a horizontal line.

Joie Ziller, Deputy City Clerk