

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Wilmington City Council
Wilmington City Hall
1165 South Water Street
August 4, 2020**

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Wilmington City Council on August 4, 2020 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Roy Strong in the Council Chambers 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 Studer, Persic, Kirwin, Vice, Dietz, Tenn, Butler

Aldermen Absent Combes

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/Deputy City Clerk Joie Ziller, Chief of Police Phillip Arnold, Finance Director Matt Hoffman, City Attorney Bryan Wellner, and Executive Secretary Tessa Krusinski.

Approval of Minutes

Alderman Studer made a motion and Alderman Tenn seconded to approve the July 21, 2020 Regular City Council meeting minutes and have them placed on file.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 7 Studer, Persic, Kirwin, Vice, Dietz, Tenn, Butler

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 Combes

The motion carried.

Mayor’s Report

Mayor Strong informed the Council the City received grant money for the installation of LED lights on the North and South Islands and testing would be happening at night. The Mayor also announced that the Chamber of Commerce directory sign has been installed in Downtown. So far, 42 residents have participated in the Incentive to Promote the Local Economy program which needs to be submitted by August 31st.

Public Comment

Nothing at this time.

Planning & Zoning Commission

The next meeting scheduled for Thursday, August 6, 2020 at 5:00 p.m. is canceled.

Committee Reports

Police & ESDA Committee

Police Chief Arnold announced that there are 28 confirmed cases of COVID-19 and that the police station lobby has been closed to the public. There has been one confirmed case of a resident receiving mystery seeds from China and one confirmed case of unemployment fraud.

Alderman Studer made a motion and Alderman Butler seconded to approve Ordinance No. 20-08-04-01 – An Ordinance Declaring as Surplus Certain Equipment and Authorizing the Chief of Police to Dispose of Said Equipment in a Manner in the Best Interest of the City of Wilmington

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 7 Studer, Persic, Kirwin, Vice, Dietz, Tenn, Butler

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 Combes

The motion carried.

Alderman Butler made a motion and Alderman Studer seconded to approve and authorize the Chief of Police to purchase a 2020 Ford Escape from D’Orazio Ford in an amount not to exceed \$23,080

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 7 Studer, Persic, Kirwin, Vice, Dietz, Tenn, Butler

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 Combes

The motion carried.

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Ordinance & License Committee

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, August 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Health & Safety Committee

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Water, Sewer, Streets and Alleys Committee

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, August 12, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Finance, Administration & Land Acquisition Committee

Alderman Dietz made a motion and Alderman Vice seconded to approve the accounts payable report in the amount of \$259,379.3938 as prepared by the Finance Director

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 7 Studer, Persic, Kirwin, Vice, Dietz, Tenn, Butler

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 Combes

The motion carried.

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, August 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Personnel & Collective Bargaining Committee

Nothing at this time.

Attorney & Staff Reports

Chief Arnold announced that the City has received money through the CARES Act relief fund to support local governments through reimbursements for coronavirus-related expenses. City Attorney Wellner announced that Verizon may be contacting the City regarding installing wireless facilities and that all criminal court proceedings through Will County will be held via Zoom due to the pandemic.

Executive Session

Alderman Persic made a motion and Alderman Dietz seconded to go into Executive Session at 7:17 PM to discuss the Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Compensation, Discipline and Performance of an Employee of the City of Wilmington (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)) and Collective negotiating matters between the City of Wilmington (public body) and its employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2))

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 7 Studer, Persic, Kirwin, Vice, Dietz, Tenn, Butler

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 Combes

The motion carried.

Alderman Persic made a motion and Alderman Butler seconded to close Executive Session at 7:43 PM.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 7 Studer, Persic, Kirwin, Vice, Dietz, Tenn, Butler

NAYS: 0

ABSENT: 1 Combes

The motion carried.

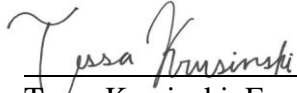
Action Taken Following Executive Session

No action was taken.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Alderman Butler and seconded by Alderman Dietz. Upon voice vote, the motion carried. The Regular Meeting of the City of Wilmington City Council held on August 4, 2020 adjourned at 7:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Handwritten signature of Tessa Krusinski in cursive script.

Tessa Krusinski, Executive Secretary