

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the  
Wilmington City Council  
Wilmington City Hall  
1165 South Water Street  
September 20, 2022**

**Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of the Wilmington City Council on September 20, 2022, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Ben 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, Knight, Vice, Allred, Mietzner, Smith

**Alderman Absent** 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 Chief of Police Joe Mitchell, Public Works Director James Gretencord, City Attorney Bryan Wellner, and Deputy City Clerk Joie Ziller

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

Alderman Vice made a motion and Alderman Jeffries seconded to approve the September 6, 2022 meeting minutes with the necessary changes and have them placed on file

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NAYS:**        0

**ABSENT:**    1 Holmes

The motion carried.

**Public Comment**

No Public Comment was made

**Planning & Zoning Commission**

The next meeting is scheduled for October 6, 2022.

**Committee of the Whole Reports**

**A. Police & ESDA**

***Co-Chairs – Jonathan Mietzner and Leslie Allred***

Nothing at this time.

**B. Ordinance & License**  
**Co-Chairs – Kevin Kirwin and Ryan Knight**

Nothing at this time.

**C. Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Health & Safety**  
**Co-Chairs – Ryan Jeffries and Thomas Smith**

Nothing at this time

**D. Water, Sewer, Streets & Alleys**  
**Co-Chairs – Todd Holmes and Dennis Vice**

Nothing at this time

**E. Personnel & Collective Bargaining**  
**Co-Chairs – Jonathan Mietzner and Todd Holmes**

Alderman Mietzner made a motion and Alderman Smith seconded to approve the salary increase for Deputy Chief of Police Adam Zink to \$107,000.00 annually

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NAYS:**     0

**ABSENT:**  1   Holmes

The motion carried.

**F. Finance, Administration & Land Acquisition Committee**  
**Co-Chairs – Kevin Kirwin and Ryan Jeffries**

Alderman Kirwin made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to approve the Accounts Payable Report as presented in the agenda packet

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NAYS:**     0

**ABSENT:**  1   Holmes

The motion carried.

Alderman Kirwin made a motion and Alderman Smith seconded to Approve Authorization for the Mayor to Execute the Façade Improvement Grant Agreement with Route 66 Bar & Grill at 113 E Baltimore Street

*Discussion: Alderman Knight questioned if the sign brackets on the building would be removed. The Applicant stated that he is working with beer vendors to get new signs in place.*

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NAYS:**     0

**ABSENT:**  1   Holmes

The motion carried.

**Attorney & Staff Reports**

Nothing to report at this time.

Alderman Kirwin made a motion and Alderman Jeffries seconded to Recess the Council Meeting for a short break at 7:05 PM

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NAYS:**        0

**ABSENT:**    1 Holmes

The motion carried.

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Mietzner seconded to Resume the Council Meeting at 7:19 PM

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NAYS:**        0

**ABSENT:**    1 Holmes

The motion carried.

**Executive Session**

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to go into Executive Session at 7:20 PM to discuss Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Compensation, Discipline, and Performance of an Employee of the City of Wilmington [ILCS 120/2(c)(1)]

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NAYS:**        0

**ABSENT:**    1 Holmes

The motion carried.

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Mietzner seconded to close Executive Session at 7:30 PM

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

**NAYS:**        0

**ABSENT:**    1 Holmes

The motion carried.

**Action Taken Following Executive Session**

No action was taken.

**Mayor's Report**

Mayor Dietz informed the Council that the developers for Walrus CC LLC have rescinded their Planned Unit Development petition with the city. Mayor Dietz stated the city staff is in the process of an internal MFT audit.

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Alderman Allred and seconded by Alderman Kirwin. Upon the voice vote, the motion carried. The Regular Meeting of the City of Wilmington City Council held on September 20, 2022, adjourned at 7:51 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