

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Wilmington City Council
Wilmington City Hall
1165 South Water Street
October 18, 2022**

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Wilmington City Council on October 18, 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, Knight, Jeffries, Vice, Allred, Mietzner, Smith, 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 City Administrator Jeannine Smith, 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 Mietzner made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to approve the October 4, 2022 meeting minutes with the necessary changes and have them placed on file

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

The motion carried.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Dietz thanked the Wilmington Chamber of Commerce for hosting the Autumn Fall Festival of Crafts.

Mayor Dietz thanked all those who attended the ribbon-cutting ceremony for the EV Parking Lot earlier today.

Public Comment

Sherri Michaels presented a \$1,000 check to the Wilmington Police K9 Officer in memory of her late daughter, Linda.

Planning & Zoning Commission

Alderman Knight made a motion and Alderman Smith seconded to approve Ordinance No. 22-10-18-01, An Ordinance Approving a Text Amendment to the City of Wilmington Zoning Code to Provide for a Procedure to Designate Historical Landmarks and Related Regulations

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

The motion carried

The next meeting is scheduled for November 3, 2022.

Committee of the Whole Reports

A. Police & ESDA

Co-Chairs – Jonathan Mietzner and Leslie Allred

Alderman Mietzner made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to Approve Ordinance No. 22-10-18-02, An Ordinance Declaring as Surplus Certain Equipment and Authorizing the ESDA Director to Dispose of Said Equipment in a Manner in the Best Interest of the City of Wilmington

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 8 Kirwin, Knight, Smith, Vice, Allred, Mietzner, Jeffries, Holmes

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

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

Alderman Smith made a motion and Alderman Jeffries seconded to approve the Claire's Corner Holiday Lights Proposal by Principal Lighting, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$4,014.97

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 8 Kirwin, Knight, Smith, Vice, Allred, Mietzner, Jeffries, Holmes

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

D. Water, Sewer, Streets & Alleys

Co-Chairs – Todd Holmes and Dennis Vice

Alderman Holmes made a motion and Alderman Jeffries seconded to approve the Water-Filled Jersey Barrier Estimate Submitted by Ewing Safety & Industrial, Inc. in the amount not to exceed \$10,326.30

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 8 Kirwin, Knight, Smith, Vice, Allred, Mietzner, Jeffries, Holmes

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Alderman Vice made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to approve the Changes Included in Authorization #7 as recommended by ESI Consultants for the Kankakee River Drive & Wilmington-Peotone Road Intersection Improvement

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 8 Kirwin, Knight, Smith, Vice, Allred, Mietzner, Jeffries, Holmes

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Alderman Vice made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to approve the Engineer's Pay Estimate #9, as Recommended by ESI Consultants, payable to Austin Tyler Construction in the amount of \$357,159.90 for the Wilmington-Peotone Road at IL 53 Project

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 8 Kirwin, Knight, Smith, Vice, Allred, Mietzner, Jeffries, Holmes

NAYS: 0
The motion carried.

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

The motion will be made following Executive Session

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

Alderman Jeffries made a motion and Alderman Allred seconded to approve the Accounts Payable Report as presented in the amount of \$143,988.96

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 8 Mietzner, Holmes, Knight, Smith, Allred, Vice, Kirwin, Jeffries
NAYS: 0
The motion carried

Alderman Jeffries made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to approve Resolution No. 2022-10, A Resolution Designating Meeting Dates and Times and Holiday Observances in 2023 for the Corporate Authorities and Commissions of the City of Wilmington

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 8 Kirwin, Knight, Smith, Vice, Allred, Mietzner, Jeffries, Holmes
NAYS: 0
The motion carried.

Alderman Kirwin made a motion and Alderman Jeffries seconded to approve Resolution No. 2022-11, A Resolution Approving the Grundy Bank Account Information Change for the City of Wilmington

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 8 Kirwin, Knight, Smith, Vice, Allred, Mietzner, Jeffries, Holmes
NAYS: 0
The motion carried.

Alderman Kirwin made a motion and Alderman Jeffries seconded to approve the 313 N Main Street Extension Request

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 7 Kirwin, Knight, Smith, Vice, Allred, Mietzner, Jeffries
NAYS: 1 Holmes
The motion carried.

Attorney & Staff Reports

Director Gretencord stated that a routine water sample failed to be completed. A notice will be mailed to all utility billing customers.

Chief Mitchell introduced Code Enforcement Officer Joey Crist.

Executive Session

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Holmes seconded to go into Executive Session at 7:24 PM to discuss the Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Compensation, Discipline, and Performance of an Employee of the City of Wilmington [ILCS 120/2(c)(1)] and 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: 8 Allred, Knight, Smith, Holmes, Mietzner, Vice, Kirwin, Jeffries

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to close Executive Session at 7:52 PM

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 8 Allred, Mietzner, Knight, Smith, Holmes, Vice, Kirwin, Jeffries

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Action Taken Following Executive Session

Alderman Mietzner made a motion and Alderman Holmes seconded to approve the hire of Nancy Gross as Finance Director with a start date of October 24, 2022

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 8 Mietzner, Holmes, Knight, Smith, Allred, Vice, Kirwin, Jeffries

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Alderman Holmes and seconded by Alderman Knight. Upon the voice vote, the motion carried. The Regular Meeting of the City of Wilmington City Council held on October 18, 2022, adjourned at 8:07 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Joie Ziller, Deputy City Clerk