

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the  
Wilmington City Council  
Wilmington City Hall  
1165 South Water Street  
December 3, 2019**

**Call to Order**

The Regular Meeting of the Wilmington City Council on December 3, 2019 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** Persic, Kirwin, Combes, Vice, Dietz, Studer, Tenn, Butler

**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 Phil Arnold and City Attorney Brian Wellner

**Approval of Minutes**

Alderman Combes made a motion and Alderman Butler seconded to approve the November 19, 2019 Regular City Council meeting minutes and November 25, 2019 Special City Council meeting minutes and have them placed on file

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES: 8** Dietz, Combes, Vice, Kirwin, Persic, Butler, Tenn, Studer

**NAYS: 0**

The motion carried.

**Mayor’s Report**

Mayor Strong requested that the Aldermen from each Ward team up to choose a home in their ward with the most holiday cheer. All four winners will be the recipient of \$100 gift card courtesy of City of Wilmington and Whitmore Ace Wilmington.

**Public Comment**

Attorney Joe Cernugal representing Michael & Michelle DesRochers introduced himself to the Council. Attorney Cernugal explained that his clients are petitioning the City to vacate a portion of the alley which amounts to approximately eight feet by sixty-six feet which was originally included in the development of West Side Subdivision in the late 1800’s. This subdivision was never developed. The DesRochers are looking to build a townhome with 4 units on said property in the near future.

Christina Colclasure, Club President of the Kiwanis Club of Southern Will introduced herself to the Council. Ms. Colclasure invited everyone to attend one of the Club's meeting which are held on the third Tuesday of each month at 7AM at the Wilmington High School.

**Planning & Zoning Commission**

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, December 5, 2019 at 5:00 p.m.

**Committee Reports**

**Police & ESDA Committee**

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

**Ordinance & License Committee**

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, December 10, 2019, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

**Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Health & Safety Committee**

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 5:30 p.m.

**Water, Sewer, Streets and Alleys Committee**

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, December 11, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

**Finance, Administration & Land Acquisition Committee**

Alderman Studer made a motion and Alderman Butler seconded to approve the accounts payable report in the amount of \$391,943.91 as prepared by the City Accountant

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     8 Dietz, Combes, Vice, Kirwin, Persic, Butler, Tenn, Studer

**NAYS:**     0

The motion carried.

Alderman Dietz made a motion and Alderman Combes seconded to approve Ordinance No. 19-12-03-01 – An Ordinance Vacating an Alley in the West Side Subdivision (Affected PINs: 03-17-35-203-006-0000 and 03-17-35-203-007-0000) with the necessary corrections

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     8 Dietz, Combes, Vice, Kirwin, Persic, Butler, Tenn, Studer

**NAYS:**     0

The motion carried.

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, December 17, 2019 at 6:00 p.m.

**Personnel & Collective Bargaining Committee**

Nothing at this time.

**Attorney & Staff Report**

Chief Arnold informed the Council that they are the recipient of a \$10,000 grant awarded by BNSF. These funds will go toward improvements to the training range.

**Executive Session**

Alderman Persic made a motion and Alderman Butler seconded to go into Executive Session at 7:20 p.m. to discuss Matters of Land Acquisition [2(c)(5) and 2(c)(6)] and Appointment, Employment, Compensation, Discipline, Performance or Dismissal of Specific Employees [5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)]

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     8   Dietz, Combes, Vice, Kirwin, Persic, Butler, Tenn, Studer

**NAYS:**     0

The motion carried.

Alderman Persic made a motion and Alderman Butler seconded to close Executive Session at 7:36 p.m.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

**AYES:**     8   Dietz, Combes, Vice, Kirwin, Persic, Butler, Tenn, Studer

**NAYS:**     0

The motion carried.

**Action Taken Following Executive Session**

None

**Adjournment**

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Alderman Butler and seconded by Alderman Persic. Upon voice vote, the motion carried. The Regular Meeting of the City of Wilmington City Council held on December 3, 2019 adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Joie Ziller, Deputy City Clerk