



City of Appleton

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Meeting Minutes Common Council

Wednesday, April 22, 2015

6:00 PM

Council Chambers

2015 ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

A. ROLL CALL OF ALDERPERSONS

Present: 15 - Alderperson Chris Croatt, Alderperson Greg Dannecker, Alderperson Joe Martin, Alderperson Cathy Spears, Mayor Timothy Hanna, Alderperson Christine Williams, Alderperson Vered Meltzer, Alderperson Kathleen Plank, Alderperson William Siebers, Alderperson Curt Konetzke, Alderperson Ed Baranowski, Alderperson Margret Mann, Alderperson Patti Coenen, Alderperson Kyle Lobner and Alderperson Jeffrey Jirschele

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Polly Dalton

B. ROLL CALL OF OFFICERS AND DEPARTMENT HEADS

PRESENT: City Attorney Walsh, Deputy City Clerk Helgeson, Finance Director Saucerman, Fire Chief Vander Wyst, Director of Parks, Recreation and Facilities Gazza, Police Chief Thomas, Director of Public Works Vandehey, Director of Information Technology Fox, Valley Transit General Manager Wetter, Deputy Director of Community and Economic Development Klaeser, Deputy Library Director Saecker.
EXCUSED: City Clerk Collins, Deputy City Attorney Behrens, Community and Economic Development Director Harkness, Health Officer Eggebrecht, Director of Human Resources Behnke, Library Director Rortvedt, Director of Utilities Shaw.

C. REPORT OF THE INFORMAL COUNCIL MEETING

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Rules of Council

Attachments: [Council Rules - ADOPTED - 04-22-15.pdf](#)
[Council Rules - Redline - 04-22-15.pdf](#)
[Council Rules - ADOPTED 04-16-14.pdf](#)

Rule #15 - Amendment - An item that has been acted on in the previous council year can be reintroduced by resolution in the current council year.

Alderperson Siebers moved, seconded by Alderperson Konetzke, that the amendment be approved. Roll Call vote resulted in a tie. Mayor vote - aye. Motion passes by the following vote:

Aye: 8 - Alderperson Croatt, Alderperson Martin, Alderperson Spears, Mayor Hanna, Alderperson Meltzer, Alderperson Siebers, Alderperson Konetzke and Alderperson Baranowski

Nay: 7 - Alderperson Dannecker, Alderperson Williams, Alderperson Plank, Alderperson Mann, Alderperson Coenen, Alderperson Lobner and Alderperson Jirschele

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Dalton

Rule #15 - Amendment - Strike all changes previously made to Rule #15.

Alderperson Lobner moved, seconded by Alderperson Plank, that the amendment be approved. Roll Call vote resulted in a tie. Mayor vote - nay. Motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 7 - Alderperson Dannecker, Alderperson Martin, Alderperson Williams, Alderperson Plank, Alderperson Mann, Alderperson Coenen and Alderperson Lobner

Nay: 8 - Alderperson Croatt, Alderperson Spears, Mayor Hanna, Alderperson Meltzer, Alderperson Siebers, Alderperson Konetzke, Alderperson Baranowski and Alderperson Jirschele

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Dalton

Alderperson Konetzke moved, seconded by Alderperson Meltzer, that the Council Rules be tabled to take up the Department and Committee Functions. Roll Call. Motion failed by the following vote:

Aye: 5 - Alderperson Williams, Alderperson Meltzer, Alderperson Siebers, Alderperson Konetzke and Alderperson Baranowski

Nay: 9 - Alderperson Croatt, Alderperson Dannecker, Alderperson Martin, Alderperson Spears, Alderperson Plank, Alderperson Mann, Alderperson Coenen, Alderperson Lobner and Alderperson Jirschele

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

Rule #22 - Amendment - Strike the change to eliminate the Human Resources Committee.

Alderperson Lobner moved, seconded by Alderperson Spears, that the amendment be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderperson Croatt, Alderperson Martin, Alderperson Spears, Alderperson Williams, Alderperson Meltzer, Alderperson Plank, Alderperson Siebers, Alderperson Konetzke, Alderperson Mann, Alderperson Lobner and Alderperson Jirschele

Nay: 3 - Alderperson Dannecker, Alderperson Baranowski and Alderperson Coenen

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

Rule #18 - Amendment - Remove all writing in red with the exception of the words "closed session".

Alderperson Plank moved, seconded by Alderperson Lobner, that the amendment be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Alderperson Croatt, Alderperson Dannecker, Alderperson Martin, Alderperson Spears, Alderperson Williams, Alderperson Meltzer, Alderperson Plank, Alderperson Siebers, Alderperson Konetzke, Alderperson Baranowski, Alderperson Mann, Alderperson Coenen, Alderperson Lobner and Alderperson Jirschele

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

Establish Order of the Day - Amendment - "...an Alderperson may make one or more requests to move an action item or items to the beginning of the agenda, when recognized by the Chair."

Alderperson Lobner moved, seconded by Alderperson Coenen, that the amendment be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 12 - Alderperson Dannecker, Alderperson Martin, Alderperson Spears, Alderperson Williams, Alderperson Meltzer, Alderperson Plank, Alderperson Siebers, Alderperson Konetzke, Alderperson Mann, Alderperson Coenen, Alderperson Lobner and Alderperson Jirschele

Nay: 2 - Alderperson Croatt and Alderperson Baranowski

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

Rule #3 - Amendment - Strike the proposed 30 minute period of time allowed for public participation and go back to 15 minutes.

Alderperson Coenen moved, seconded by Alderperson Spears, that the amendment be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderperson Croatt, Alderperson Dannecker, Alderperson Martin, Alderperson Spears, Alderperson Williams, Alderperson Plank, Alderperson Siebers, Alderperson Konetzke, Alderperson Baranowski, Alderperson Mann and Alderperson Coenen

Nay: 3 - Alderperson Meltzer, Alderperson Lobner and Alderperson Jirschele

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

Rule #11 - Amendment - Strike the amendment.

Alderperson Coenen moved, seconded by Alderperson Dannecker, that the amendment be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 11 - Alderperson Dannecker, Alderperson Martin, Alderperson Spears, Alderperson Williams, Alderperson Meltzer, Alderperson Plank, Alderperson Siebers, Alderperson Konetzke, Alderperson Baranowski, Alderperson Mann and Alderperson Coenen

Nay: 3 - Alderperson Croatt, Alderperson Lobner and Alderperson Jirschele

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

Alderson Baranowski moved, seconded by Alderson Dannecker, that the Council Rules be approved as amended. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 13 - Alderson Croatt, Alderson Dannecker, Alderson Spears, Alderson Williams, Alderson Meltzer, Alderson Plank, Alderson Siebers, Alderson Konetzke, Alderson Baranowski, Alderson Mann, Alderson Coenen, Alderson Lobner and Alderson Jirschele

Nay: 1 - Alderson Martin

Excused: 1 - Alderson Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

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Department and Committee Functions

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Alderson Plank moved, seconded by Alderson Coenen, that the Department and Committee Functions be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 13 - Alderson Croatt, Alderson Dannecker, Alderson Martin, Alderson Spears, Alderson Williams, Alderson Meltzer, Alderson Plank, Alderson Siebers, Alderson Konetzke, Alderson Mann, Alderson Coenen, Alderson Lobner and Alderson Jirschele

Nay: 1 - Alderson Baranowski

Excused: 1 - Alderson Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

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#1-R-15/Martin - Submitted at the January 7, 2015 Council meeting.
REFERRED TO: Attorney's Office/2015 Organizational Meeting.

“WHEREAS, with the reduction in the amount of elected alderpersons sitting on the City of Appleton Common Council; and
WHEREAS, professional business obligations sometimes require travel on the first and third Wednesday of each month; and
WHEREAS, personal commitments will sometimes overlay and cause for an alderperson to be excused from the City of Appleton Common Council meeting; and
WHEREAS, the Mayor or his/her designate will grant all absents from the City of Appleton council meeting.
NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED, the City of Appleton Attorney's office is directed to prepare a process that would allow through state statute an alderperson elected to the Appleton City Council to be able to vote electronically in their approved absent from the council meeting.”

Alderman Baranowski moved, seconded by Alderman Dannecker, that the Report Action Item be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Alderman Croatt, Alderman Dannecker, Alderman Martin, Alderman Spears, Alderman Williams, Alderman Meltzer, Alderman Plank, Alderman Siebers, Alderman Konetzke, Alderman Baranowski, Alderman Mann, Alderman Coenen, Alderman Lobner and Alderman Jirschele

Excused: 1 - Alderman Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

D. RE-COMMITMENT TO THE CODE OF CONDUCT

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Code of Conduct

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Alderman Baranowski moved, seconded by Alderman Coenen, that the Report Action Item be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Alderman Croatt, Alderman Dannecker, Alderman Martin, Alderman Spears, Alderman Williams, Alderman Meltzer, Alderman Plank, Alderman Siebers, Alderman Konetzke, Alderman Baranowski, Alderman Mann, Alderman Coenen, Alderman Lobner and Alderman Jirschele

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

E. APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES AND COMMITTEE CHAIRMEN

Alderperson Croatt moved, seconded by Alderperson Lobner, that the appointments be approved. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 13 - Alderperson Croatt, Alderperson Dannecker, Alderperson Martin, Alderperson Spears, Alderperson Williams, Alderperson Meltzer, Alderperson Plank, Alderperson Siebers, Alderperson Konetzke, Alderperson Baranowski, Alderperson Mann, Alderperson Lobner and Alderperson Jirschele

Nay: 1 - Alderperson Coenen

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

F. ELECTION OF COMMON COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Alderperson Jirschele was voted Council President.

G. ELECTION OF COMMON COUNCIL VICE-PRESIDENT

Alderperson Lobner was voted Council Vice-President.

H. ELECTION OF COMMON COUNCIL MEMBER TO THE CITY PLAN COMMISSION

Alderperson Konetzke was voted City Plan representative.

I. OTHER COUNCIL BUSINESS

J. ADJOURN

The meeting adjourned at 7:25 PM.

Alderperson Baranowski moved, seconded by Alderperson Croatt, that the meeting be adjourned. Roll Call. Motion carried by the following vote:

Aye: 14 - Alderperson Croatt, Alderperson Dannecker, Alderperson Martin, Alderperson Spears, Alderperson Williams, Alderperson Meltzer, Alderperson Plank, Alderperson Siebers, Alderperson Konetzke, Alderperson Baranowski, Alderperson Mann, Alderperson Coenen, Alderperson Lobner and Alderperson Jirschele

Excused: 1 - Alderperson Dalton

Abstained: 1 - Mayor Hanna

Dawn A. Collins, City Clerk