

CITY OF MENASHA
NEW COMMON COUNCIL
Third Floor Council Chambers
140 Main Street, Menasha
TUESDAY, April 16, 2013
MINUTES

DRAFT

A. CALL TO ORDER

Meeting called to order by Mayor Merkes at 6:30 p.m.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Moment of Silence for the New Council to make good decisions to benefit the community in the upcoming year.

Oath of Office – Newly Elected Officials. Clerk Galeazzi administered the Oath of Office to newly elected Council members (Ald. Nichols, Sevenich, Keehan, Englebert)

C. ROLL CALL/EXCUSED ABSENCES

PRESENT: Aldermen Nichols, Taylor, Sevenich, Langdon, Keehan, Zelinski, Englebert, Benner

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Merkes, CA/HRD Captain, PC Styka, FC Auxier, DPW Radtke, CDD Keil, Dpty Treasurer Sassman, PHD Nett, PRD Tungate, LD Lenz, Clerk Galeazzi

D. PUBLIC HEARING

E. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY MATTER OF CONCERN TO THE CITY

(five (5) minute time limit for each person)

No one spoke.

F. REPORT OF DEPARTMENT HEADS/STAFF/CONSULTANTS

G. CONSENT AGENDA

H. ITEMS REMOVED FROM CONSENT AGENDA

I. ORDINANCES AND RESOLUTIONS

1. [R-4-13 Resolution Providing for the Method of Selecting Certain Council/Committee Officials \(Introduced by Ald. Sevenich\)](#)

Moved by Ald. Sevenich, seconded by Ald. Langdon to adopt R-4-13.

Motion carried on roll call 8-0.

J. ACTION ITEMS

K. APPOINTMENTS

1. Common Council Appointments

- a Council President (1 year term effective immediately)

Moved by Ald. Taylor, seconded by Ald. Langdon to nominate Ald. Sevenich as Council President.

Moved by Ald. Nichols, seconded by Ald. Englebert to nominate Ald. Benner as Council President.

1st roll call: Motion tied on roll call 4-4.

Voting for Sevenich: Taylor, Sevenich, Langdon, Zelinski

Voting for Benner: Nichols, Keehan, Englebert, Benner

2nd to 158th roll call: Motion tied on roll call 4-4.

Voting for Sevenich: Taylor, Sevenich, Langdon, Zelinski

Voting for Benner: Nichols, Keehan, Englebert, Benner

Moved by Ald. Englebert, seconded by Ald. Zelinski to recess at 8:10 p.m.

Reconvened at 8:25 p.m.

K. APPOINTMENTS, cont'd.

1. Common Council Appointments, cont'd.

a Council President (1 year term effective immediately), cont'd.

Moved by Ald. Englebert, seconded by Ald. Langdon to reconsider R-4-13.

Motion carried on roll call 8-0.

Moved by Ald. Englebert, seconded by Ald. Langdon to amend R-4-13 to allow for a paper ballot for up to eight times as a method of selecting Council/Committee officials.

Motion on amendment carried on roll call 8-0.

Motion to adopt R-4-13 as amended carried on roll call 8-0.

1st paper ballot: Ald. Sevenich – 4 votes; Ald.. Benner – 4 votes

2nd to 8th paper ballot: Ald. Sevenich – 4 votes; Ald.. Benner – 4 votes

Moved by Ald. Englebert, seconded by Ald. Langdon to reconsider R-4-13.

Motion carried on roll call 8-0.

Moved by Ald. Englebert, seconded by Ald. Langdon to amend R-4-13 to allow drawing names out of a container as a method of selecting Council/Committee officials.

Motion on amendment carried on roll call 8-0.

Names were put in a container and Dan Kelpinski, from UW-Fox Valley was asked to draw. He drew Ald. Benner's name. Ald. Benner was declared Council President.

b. An Alderman Member to the Plan Commission (1 year term effective immediately)

Moved by Ald. Taylor, seconded by Ald. Zelinski to nominate Ald. Benner for Alderman Member to the Plan Commission.

Having no other nominations the clerk was directed to cast a unanimous ballot for Ald. Benner for Alderman Member to the Plan Commission.

c. An Alternate Alderman Member of the Plan Commission (1 year term effective immediately)

Moved by Ald. Taylor, seconded by Ald. Benner to nominate Ald. Zelinski as Alternate Alderman Member to the Plan Commission.

Having no other nominations the clerk was directed to cast a unanimous ballot for Ald. Zelinski for Alternate Alderman Member to the Plan Commission.

L. RECESS TO COMMITTEES

Recessed at 8:55 p.m. to Personnel Committee, Administration Committee, Board of Public Works

Reconvened at 9:50 p.m.

M. APPOINTMENTS

1. Common Council Appointments

a. NM Fire Rescue Joint Finance and Personnel Committee:

1) Council President – Ald. Benner

2) Personnel Committee Chairman – Ald. Englebert

b. Information Systems Steering Committee – Ald. Nichols

2. [Mayor's Committee Appointments](#)

a. Approval of Ald. Sevenich to Parks & Recreation Board (1 year term effective immediately)

Item held

b. Approval of Ald. Keehan to the Landmarks Commission (1 year term effective immediately)

Moved by Ald. Englebert, seconded by Ald. Nichols to approve Ald. Keehan to the Landmarks Commission

Motion carried on voice vote.

M. APPOINTMENTS, cont'd.

2. Mayor's Committee Appointments, cont'd.

- c. Approval of Ald. Langdon to the NM Fire Rescue Joint Finance and Personnel Committee (1 year term effective immediately)

Moved by Ald. Englebort, seconded by Ald. Zelinski to approve Ald. Langdon to the NM Fire Rescue Joint Finance and Personnel.

Motion carried on voice vote.

- d. Approval of Ald. Langdon to the Parking Committee (1 year term effective immediately)

Moved by Ald. Zelinski, seconded by Ald. Englebort to approve Ald. Langdon to the Parking Committee.

Motion carried on voice vote.

- e. Approval of Ald. Taylor to the Heckrodt Wetland Reserve Board (1 year term effective immediately)

Moved by Ald. Nichols, seconded by Ald. Keehan to approve Ald. Taylor to the Heckrodt Wetland Reserve Board.

Motion carried on voice vote.

- f. Approval of Michael Keehan to the Housing Authority

Moved by Ald. Englebort, seconded by Ald. Benner to approve Michael Keehan to the Housing Authority for the term April 16, 2013 to July 21, 2013.

Motion carried on voice vote.

- g. Re-appointment to the Plan Commission of Dave Schmidt, 709 Parkview Street, Menasha for the term May 1, 2013 to May 1, 2016

Moved by Ald. Benner, seconded by Ald. Englebort to approve re-appointment to the Plan Commission of Dave Schmidt for the term May 1, 2013 to May 1, 2016.

Motion carried on voice vote.

- h. Re-appointment to the Police Commission of Terrie Reuss, 452 Nicolet Blvd, Menasha for the term May 1, 2013 to May 1, 2018

Moved by Ald. Nichols, seconded by Ald. Benner to approve re-appointment to the Police Commission of Terrie Reuss for the term May 1, 2013 to May 1, 2018.

Motion carried on voice vote.

- i. Re-appointment to Neenah-Menasha Joint Fire Commission of Al John, 401 Ahnaip Street for the term May 1, 2013 to May 1, 2016

Moved by Ald. Englebort, seconded by Ald. Benner to approve re-appointment of Al John to NM Joint Fire Commission for the term May 1, 2013 to May 1, 2016.

Motion carried on voice vote.

- j. Re-appointment of At Large Member to Heckrodt Wetland Reserve Board of Sheila Brucks, 238 Butte Des Morts Dr. for the term of April 16, 2013 to April 15, 2014

Moved by Ald. Langdon, seconded by Ald. Benner to approve re-appointment of At Large Member to Heckrodt Wetland Reserve Board of Sheila Brucks for the term April 16, 2013 to April 15, 2014.

Motion carried on voice vote.

- k. Appointment to Landmarks Commission of Paul Brunette, 1334 Mayor Street, Menasha for the term April 16, 2013 to March 1, 2016

Moved by Ald. Englebort, seconded by Ald. Benner to approve appointment to Landmarks Commission of Paul Brunette for the term April 16, 2013 to March 1, 2016.

Motion carried on voice vote.

- l. [Appointment to Board of Health of Ruth Neeck, 1009 Brighton Drive, Menasha for the term May 1, 2013 to May 1, 2016](#)

Moved by Ald. Langdon, seconded by Ald. Benner to approve appointment to Board of Health of Ruth Neeck for the term May 1, 2013 to May 1, 2016

Motion carried on voice vote.

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N. CLAIMS AGAINST THE CITY

O. HELD OVER BUSINESS

P. PUBLIC COMMENTS ON ANY MATTER LISTED ON THE AGENDA
(five (5) minute time limit for each person)

Sandra Taylor, 545 Broad Street, Menasha. Comments on Comptroller/Treasurer position vacancy.

Q. ADJOURNMENT

Moved by Ald. Nichols, seconded by Ald. Langdon to adjourn at 10:05 p.m.
Motion carried on voice vote.

Respectfully submitted by Deborah A. Galeazzi, WCMC, City Clerk