

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Wilmington City Council
Wilmington City Hall
1165 South Water Street
February 18, 2020**

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Wilmington City Council on February 18, 2020 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, Vice, Dietz, Studer, Tenn

Aldermen Absent Combes, 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, Executive Secretary Veronica Villafranco and City Attorney Wellner

Approval of Minutes

Alderman Studer made a motion and Alderman Persic seconded to approve the February 4, 2020 Regular City Council meeting minutes as amended and have them placed on file

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 Persic, Dietz, Vice, Kirwin, Tenn, Studer

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Mayor’s Report

Moose Riders have a tag day scheduled for May 2, 2020.

City Wide Spring Pick Up is scheduled for May 7, 2020.

Alderman Vice made a motion and Alderman Persic seconded to approve the mayoral appointment of Dave Schultz to the Wilmington Police Pension Board for a 2 year term

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 Persic, Dietz, Vice, Kirwin, Tenn, Studer

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Alderman Dietz made a motion and Alderman Tenn seconded to approve the Mayoral Appointment of Jayson Walinski to the Planning and Zoning Commission to replace the position previously held by Gina Wysocki, with a term expiring in February 2022.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 Persic, Vice, Kirwin, Tenn, Studer

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN 1 Dietz

The motion carried.

Alderman Vice made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to approve the appointment of Part-time Wilmington Police Officer Jeremy Bailey.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 5 Persic, Vice, Kirwin, Tenn, Studer

NAYS: 0

ABSTAIN 1 Dietz

The motion carried.

Mayor Strong discussed the property at Lorenzo and the TIF relating thereto. The City received \$1,000,000 for city improvements, \$2,000,000 for a police station, 25 cents per square foot for each industrial building for the first 4,000,000 feet of industrial building constructed with 50% to Island Park District, 25% to Wilmington Library District and 25% to Wilmington School District. Phase 1 – for 6,265,342 square feet of current construction we got 2 police officers median salaries and benefits per year and 1 squad car per year. He discussed Phase 2 and Phase 3 as well. He indicated the need for meetings and discussions regarding extending the TIF agreement. He indicated that the City has received \$403,000 from the current building, the Fire District has received \$754,000. If they would build one building per year at 1,000,00 square feet the city would receive approximately \$400,000 per year. We are selling them about 400,000 gallons of water right now. Sewer lines need to be replaced, road work needs to be done, work on the island needs to be done, Peotone Road and South Arsenal easements need to be done. He wants to renegotiate the TIF prior to extending the TIF to further benefit the City. Last year we gave \$6.8 million in tax revenue. If we had been able to keep that, the school district would have received \$3.16 million and the City would have kept \$776,000 plus \$50,000 for roads and bridges. Island Park District would have gotten \$206,000, Wilmington Public Library \$241,000, Will County \$500,000. Elion wants to extend the TIF in order to draw in customers. At the last meeting with Elion regarding the TIF, Elion was to come up with an offer and get back to him. He has not yet heard back from them.

Public Comment

Glenn Daniels – brought up additional questions regarding the process for approving the TIF. Do you have to have the support of the taxing bodies before the TIF extension can pass? Yes, support is needed to pass the extension.

Marty Orr – regarding the Catfish Days ordinance – he reviewed the changes previously made to the ordinance. Administrator Ziller advised that there were additional changes made by Chief Arnold. Mr. Orr wants to have the committee review the ordinance prior to passing.

Planning & Zoning Commission

The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, March 5, 2020 at 5:00 p.m.

Committee Reports

Police & ESDA Committee

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Ordinance & License Committee

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, March 10, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Buildings, Grounds, Parks, Health & Safety Committee

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 5:30 p.m.

Water, Sewer, Streets and Alleys Committee

The next scheduled meeting is Wednesday, March 11, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Finance, Administration & Land Acquisition Committee

Alderman Studer made a motion and Alderman Dietz seconded to approve the accounts payable report in the amount of \$269,061.60 as prepared by the City Accountant

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 Dietz, Vice, Kirwin, Tenn, Studer, Persic

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Alderman Studer made a motion and Alderman Dietz seconded to approve Resolution 2020-01 – a Resolution Authorizing the Participation in the Northern Illinois Municipal Electric Collaborative (NIMEC) and Authorizing the City Administrator to Approve a Contract with the Lowest Cost Electricity Provider for a Period of Up to 36 Months.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 Dietz, Vice, Kirwin, Tenn, Studer, Persic

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Alderman Tenn made a motion and Alderman Dietz seconded to approve Ordinance 20-02-18-02 – An Ordinance Amending Ordinance 19-05-21-01 Which Approved the Issuance of Supplemental TIF Note I.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 Dietz, Vice, Kirwin, Tenn, Studer, Persic

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

The next scheduled meeting is Tuesday, March 18, 2020 at 6:00 p.m.

Personnel & Collective Bargaining Committee

Nothing at this time.

Attorney & Staff Reports

Nothing at this time.

Executive Session

Alderman Persic made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to go into Execution Session at 7:45 p.m. to discuss the Appointment, Employment, Dismissal, Compensation, Discipline and Performance of an Employee of the City of Wilmington (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(1)) and Collective negotiating matters between the City of Wilmington (public body) and its employees (5 ILCS 120/2(c)(2))

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 Dietz, Vice, Kirwin, Persic, Tenn, Studer

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Alderman Persic made a motion and Alderman Tenn seconded to close Executive Session at 8:00 p.m.

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 6 Dietz, Vice, Kirwin, Persic, Tenn, Studer

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Action Taken Following Executive Session

No action taken.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Alderman Vice and seconded by Alderman Dietz. Upon voice vote, the motion carried. The Regular Meeting of the City of Wilmington City Council held on February 18, 2020 adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Veronica Villafranco, Executive Secretary