

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Wilmington City Council
Wilmington City Hall
1165 South Water Street
May 3, 2022**

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Wilmington City Council on May 3, 2022 was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor 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, Jeffries, Vice, Knight, 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 Joe Mitchell, Finance Director Matt Hoffman, Public Works Director James Gretencord, City Attorney Bryan Wellner, and Deputy City Clerk Joie Ziller

Approval of the Previous Regular City Council Meeting

Alderman Knight made a motion and Alderman Vice seconded to approve the April 19, 2022 meeting minutes and have them placed on file

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Public Hearing

Alderman Mietzner made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to open the public hearing at 7:05 p.m. regarding the overview of the proposed Fiscal Year 2023 Budget

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Deputy City Clerk Ziller confirmed that the public notice was published in the April 20, 2022 edition of the Free Press Advocate.

Finance Director Hoffman presented the Council with the Proposed Annual Budget for Fiscal Year 2022-2023.

No public comments were made.

No additional comments were made by the City Council.

Alderman Mietzner made a motion and Alderman Jeffries seconded to close the public hearing at 7:13 p.m. regarding the overview of the proposed Fiscal Year 2023 Budget

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Dietz announced the proclamation for National Police Week May 11-17, 2022

Mayor Dietz announced the proclamation for National Public Works Week May 15-21, 2022

Public Comment

Marty Orr presented the Council with a list of the Catfish Days Committee members and tentative schedule for this year's festival.

Planning & Zoning Commission

Alderman Vice made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to approve Ordinance No. 22-05-03-01, An Ordinance Approving a Map Amendment From B2-Light Commercial To B3-General Commercial, Conditional Use, And Variance For Property Located at 131 N. School Street

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for June 2, 2022 at 5:00 pm

Committee of the Whole Reports

A. Police & ESDA

Co-Chairs – Jonathan Mietzner and Leslie Allred

Alderman Mietzner made a motion and Alderman Smith seconded to approve Ordinance No. 22-05-03-02, An Ordinance Declaring as Surplus Certain Equipment and Authorizing the Chief of Police 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 Vice, Knight, Jeffries, Mietzner, Allred, Kirwin, Smith, 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

Nothing at this time

D. Water, Sewer, Streets & Alleys
Co-Chairs – Todd Holmes and Dennis Vice

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

Alderman Holmes made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to approve the Hire of Michael Busby, for the Vacated Full-Time Public Works Street Crew 1 Laborer Position under the AFSCME Collective Bargaining Agreement with a start of May 16, 2022

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

The motion carried.

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

Alderman Jeffries made a motion and Alderman Mietzner seconded to approve the Financial Reports and Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$489,288.50 as presented by the Finance Director

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

The motion carried.

Alderman Jeffries made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to approve Ordinance No. 22-05-03-03, An Ordinance Appropriating for all Corporate Purposes for the City of Wilmington for Fiscal Year May 1, 2022 and Ending April 30, 2023

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

The motion carried.

Alderman Jeffries made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to approve and authorize the City Administrator to Execute the Band Performance Contract with Valid Proof for the July 1, 2022 Independence Day Celebration

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

The motion carried.

Attorney & Staff Reports

Finance Director Hoffman stated that there have been approximately 150 new signups for autopay.

Public Works Director Gretencord stated that 24 b-boxes have been installed, spring restoration is taking place, and spring hydrant flushing is almost complete as well as discussions with Waste Management for the City to take condensate from the methane gas at the landfill.

Chief Mitchell announced the First Responders Community Cookout on May 26th at the South Island Park Pavilion from 5PM to 7PM. We hope you can all join us as our Police Officers, ESDA Members and Firefighters prepare, cook, and serve hamburgers, hotdogs, chips, and drinks.

Executive Session

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to go into Executive Session at 7:41 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 Probable or Imminent Litigation and Pending Litigation [ILCS 2(c)(11)]

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Alderman Mietzner made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to close Executive Session at 8:17 PM

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Action Taken Following Executive Session

No action was taken.

Adjournment

Motion to adjourn the meeting made by Alderman Allred and seconded by Alderman Holmes. Upon the voice vote, the motion carried. The Regular Meeting of the City of Wilmington City Council held on May 3, 2022 adjourned at 8:17 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Joie Ziller, Deputy City Clerk