

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the
Wilmington City Council
Wilmington City Hall
1165 South Water Street
December 6, 2022**

Call to Order

The Regular Meeting of the Wilmington City Council on December 6, 2022, was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Ben 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, Knight, Jeffries, Vice, 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, Finance Director Nancy Gross, Deputy Chief of Police Adam Zink, Public Works Director James Gretencord, City Attorney George Mahoney, and Deputy City Clerk Joie Ziller

Approval of the Previous Regular City Council Meeting

Alderman Smith made a motion and Alderman Mietzner seconded to approve the November 1, 2022 meeting minutes with the necessary changes and have them placed on file

Upon roll call, the vote was:

AYES: 7 Kirwin, Jeffries, Vice, Mietzner, Smith, Holmes, Knight

NAYS: 0

PASS 1 Allred

The motion carried.

Mayor's Report

Mayor Dietz recognized the 2022 I8YTFL Conference Junior Varsity Cheer Competition Champions and the 2022 Illinois 8 Youth Tackle Football League Varsity Superbowl Champions.

Mayor Dietz put out the reminder that the first day to turn in petitions for the 2023 election is 8:30 AM on December 12th and the last is at 5:00 PM on December 19th.

Mayor Dietz thanked the Downtown Merchants Association, Lions Club, Chamber of Commerce, and Park District for organizing the parade and Christkindl Market on Saturday, November 26th.

Public Comment

No other public comments were made.

Planning & Zoning Commission

Alderman Vice made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to approve Ordinance No. 22-12-06-01, An Ordinance Approving a Map Amendment from A1 - Agricultural to I1 – Office, Research, And Light Industrial and A Conditional Use to Provide for a 104-Foot-Tall Antenna Support Structure for Property Located at 23600 Coal City Road, Wilmington, IL 60481 (PIN 03-17-34-400-004-0000)

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0
The motion carried.

The next meeting is scheduled for January 12, 2023.

Committee of the Whole Reports

A. Police & ESDA

Co-Chairs – Jonathan Mietzner and Leslie Allred

Nothing at this time

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

Nothing at this time

E. Personnel & Collective Bargaining

Co-Chairs – Jonathan Mietzner and Todd Holmes

Nothing at this time

F. Finance, Administration & Land Acquisition Committee

Co-Chairs – Kevin Kirwin and Ryan Jeffries

Alderman Jeffries made a motion and Alderman Kirwin seconded to approve the Accounts Payable Report in the amount of \$249,233.75

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Alderman Kirwin made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to approve Ordinance No. 22-12-06-02, An Ordinance for the Levy and Collection of Taxes for the City of Wilmington for the Fiscal Year Beginning May 1, 2023, Ending April 30, 2024

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Alderman Kirwin made a motion and Alderman Knight seconded to approve Ordinance No. 22-12-06-03, An Ordinance Abating the tax hereto levied for the year 2022 to pay the principal of and interest on \$6,530,000 General Obligation Refunding Bonds (Alternate Revenue Source), Series 2020, of the City of Wilmington, Will County, Illinois

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

The motion carried.

Attorney & Staff Reports

Public Works Gretencord stated that the crew has already been working on several water main breaks this season.

Deputy Chief Zink stated that the Police Commission hired one new patrolman who will be sworn in at the December 20th Council meeting. There has been an uptick in persons with mental health crises.

Executive Session

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Holmes seconded to go into Executive Session at 7:25 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, Jeffries, Vice, Mietzner, Smith, Holmes, Knight
NAYS: 0

The motion carried.

Alderman Allred made a motion and Alderman Mietzner seconded to close Executive Session at 8:14 PM

Upon roll call, the vote was:

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

The motion carried.

Action Taken Following Executive Session

No action was taken following Executive Session.

Adjournment

The motion to adjourn the meeting was made by Alderman Mietzner and seconded by Alderman Jeffries. Upon the voice vote, the motion carried. The City of Wilmington City Council's regular meeting on December 6, 2022, adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Joie Ziller, Deputy City Clerk