

CITY COUNCIL REORGANIZATIONAL & SPECIAL MEETING

Tuesday, April 15, 2025 at 6:00 PM

Council Chambers - City Hall, 3rd Floor 1717 E. Park Street, Two Rivers, WI 54241

MINUTES

1. CALL TO ORDER BY CITY MANAGER

The meeting was called to order by City Manager Greg Buckley at 6:17 PM.

2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

3. SWEARING IN NEWLY ELECTED OR RE-ELECTED COUNCIL MEMBERS

Newly re-elected Councilmembers Scott Stechmesser, Tim Petri and Bill LeClair were sworn in by the City Clerk and signed the Oath of Office.

5. ROLL CALL BY CITY CLERK

Councilmembers Present: Mark Bittner, Doug Brandt, Shannon Derby, Bill LeClair, Tim Petri, Bonnie Shimulunas, Scott Stechmesser

Councilmembers Absent: Darla LeClair, Adam Wachowski (arrived at 6:31 PM)

6. CONSIDERATION OF ANY COUNCIL MEMBER REQUESTS TO PARTICIPATE IN THIS MEETING FROM A REMOTE LOCATION None.

4. CODE OF CONDUCT

A. Code of Conduct for Elected Officials

4. CITY COUNCIL - FORMAL ITEMS - SPECIAL MEETING ITEM

A. 25-070 Resolution Amending the 2025 City Budget, Capital Projects Funds, to Provide \$25,000 in Funding for Replacing and Upgrading Control Unit for Audio/Visual Equipment Serving the City Hall Council Chambers

Recommended Action:

Motion to waive reading and adopt the resolution

The Council discussed the need to update the audio/visual equipment in the Council Chambers. Concerns were raised regarding the current vendor and the expected longevity of the replacement equipment. The Council opted to take no action at this time and will explore quotes from other vendors to compare pricing and equipment quality.

7. ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL

Mr. Buckley stated that Wisconsin State Statutes allow the use of a secret ballot where a public body is electing its officers. He also stated that Roberts' Rules of Order do not require a second for nominations. He called for nominations for Council President. Councilmember Doug Brandt nominated Scott Stechmesser. There were no other nominations, therefore nominations were closed, and a unanimous ballot was cast to elect Scott Stechmesser as Council President.

Motion made by Bittner, seconded by Brandt

Motion carried upon a roll call vote.

Voting Yea: Bittner, Brandt, Derby, B. LeClair, Petri, Shimulunas, Stechmesser, Wachowski

Mr. Buckley passed the gavel to President Stechmesser.

** Clerk Note: Councilmember Wachowski arrived before nominations closed for Council President at 6:31 PM**

8. ELECTION OF VICE PRESIDENT OF CITY COUNCIL

Council President Stechmesser called for nominations for Council Vice-President. Councilmember Bonnie Shimulunas nominated Adam Wachowski. There were no other nominations, therefore nominations were closed, and a unanimous ballot was cast to elect Adam Wachowski as Council Vice-President.

Motion made by Shimulunas, seconded by Brandt

Motion carried upon a roll call vote.

Voting Yea: Bittner, Brandt, Derby, B. LeClair Petri, Shimulunas, Stechmesser, Wachowski

The newly elected Council President and Vice-President were sworn in by the City Clerk and signed the Oath of Office.

9. SEATING ARRANGEMENT FOR 2025-2026

Councilmembers then drew seat assignments for the ensuing year. The members will sit in the following order, starting on the east side of the Council table: Bill LeClair, Darla LeClair, Tim Petri, Adam Wachowski, Scott Stechmesser, Bonnie Shimulunas, Mark Bittner, Doug Brandt, Shannon Derby

10. ADOPTION OF RESOLUTIONS CONCERNING REGULAR MEETINGS PER MONTH, TIME OF MEETINGS, ORDER OF BUSINESS, MATTERS REFFERED TO FUTURE MEETING, COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND RULES OF PROCEDURE

A. 25-069 Resolution Regarding City Council Regular Meetings

Recommended Action:

Motion to waive reading and adopt the resolution

Motion carried with a roll call vote.

Motion made by Derby, seconded by Petri

Voting Yea: Bittner, Brandt, Derby, B. LeClair Petri, Shimulunas, Stechmesser, Wachowski

12. ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:41 PM.

Motion carried upon a voice vote.

Motion made by Bittner, seconded by Petri

Voting Yea: Bittner, Brandt, Derby, B. LeClair Petri, Shimulunas, Stechmesser, Wachowski

Respectfully Submitted,

Amanda Baryenbruch City Clerk