



City of La Crosse, Wisconsin

City Hall
400 La Crosse Street
La Crosse, WI 54601

Meeting Minutes - Final

Common Council

Tuesday, April 18, 2017

4:00 PM

Council Chambers

Adjourned/Organizational Meeting DRAFT until approved by Council 5/11/2017

4:00 p.m. Adjourned April Council Meeting

Mayor Kabat called the adjourned meeting to order at 4:00 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 15 - Tim Kabat, Andrea Richmond, Jai Johnson, David Krump, James Cherf, Robert Seaquist, Gary Padesky, Richard Becker, Audrey Kader, Francis J. Formanek, Phillip A. Ostrem, Paul Medinger, Douglas Happel, Martin Gaul, Richard Swantz

Notices or Discussions

Mayor Kabat thanked the out-going council members for their service.

Council Member Seaquist offered "My Common Council Experience by Bob."

Council Member Johnson thanked staff and officials for assistance, expertise and patience, and offered reflections.

Council Member Ostrem expressed appreciation to Council Members Kader and Formanek for their assistance in helping with the Poage Hamilton Neighborhood.

Council Member Formanek thanked outstanding city employees, and shared that the name Formanek has over 100 years of public commitment.

Council Member Padesky thanked all council members.

Council Member Kader commented on the interesting and amazing opportunity to serve in many areas.

Council Member Swantz shared thoughts of his council experience and offered comments to new council members.

- 1 [16-0033](#) Resolution approving sale of property adjacent to the Shelby Baseball fields known as Shelby Baseball Parking Lot to the Town of Shelby.
- A motion was made by Happel, seconded by Richmond, that the Resolution be REFERRED to the Boundary Agreement Task Force. The motion carried by the following vote:**
- Yes:** 14 - Richmond, Johnson, Krump, Cherf, Seaquist, Padesky, Becker, Kader, Formanek, Ostrem, Medinger, Happel, Gaul, Swantz
- 2 [16-0652](#) AN ORDINANCE to create Section 6-18 of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding pigeon control.
- A motion was made by Seaquist, seconded by Formanek, that the Ordinance be REMOVED FROM THE TABLE. The motion carried by the following vote:**
- Yes:** 8 - Johnson, Seaquist, Padesky, Becker, Kader, Formanek, Ostrem, Swantz
- No:** 6 - Richmond, Krump, Cherf, Medinger, Happel, Gaul
- 2017-04-055
- A motion was made by Seaquist, seconded by Cherf, that the Ordinance be NOT ADOPTED. The motion carried by the following vote:**
- Yes:** 14 - Richmond, Johnson, Krump, Cherf, Seaquist, Padesky, Becker, Kader, Formanek, Ostrem, Medinger, Happel, Gaul, Swantz
- 3 [17-0080](#) AN ORDINANCE to amend Sec. 10-589(c) of Article XIII of the Code of Ordinances of the City of La Crosse regarding condition of vehicles for public conveyance.
- A motion was made by Kader, seconded by Cherf, that the Ordinance be REMOVED FROM THE TABLE. The motion carried by the following vote:**
- Yes:** 13 - Richmond, Johnson, Krump, Cherf, Seaquist, Becker, Kader, Formanek, Ostrem, Medinger, Happel, Gaul, Swantz
- No:** 1 - Padesky
- 2017-04-056
- A motion was made by Kader, seconded by Cherf, that the Ordinance be ADOPTED. The motion FAILED by the following vote:**
- Yes:** 5 - Cherf, Seaquist, Kader, Formanek, Ostrem
- No:** 9 - Richmond, Johnson, Krump, Padesky, Becker, Medinger, Happel, Gaul, Swantz
- 4 Referral of all items in the hands of the standing committees to the appropriate new committees.

Adjourn Sine Die

A motion was made by Formanek, seconded by Becker, to ADJOURN sine die. The motion carried by voice vote.

4:20 p.m. Swearing-In Ceremony

Deputy City Attorney Krista Gallagher administered the Oath of Office to City Clerk Teri Lehrke. Then, City Clerk Teri Lehrke administered the Oath of Office individually to newly elected officials: Mayor Timothy Kabat; Council Members Andrea Richmond, Scott Neumeister, Barb Janssen, David Marshall, Patrick Brever, Jacqui Marcou, Gary Padesky, Jessica Olson, Phillip Ostrem, Paul Medinger, Martin Gaul, Douglas Happel and Roger Christians.

4:30 p.m. New Council Convenes (Organizational Meeting)

The new Council was seated and Mayor Kabat called the organizational meeting to order at approximately 4:40 p.m.

Roll Call

Present: 14 - Tim Kabat, Andrea Richmond, Scott Neumeister, Barb Janssen, David D. Marshall, Patrick Brever, Jacqui Marcou, Gary W. Padesky, Jessica Olson, Phillip A. Ostrem, Paul Medinger, Martin Gaul, Douglas Happel, Roger E. Christians

Pledge of Allegiance

Invocation by Pastor Paul Munding, Faith Lutheran Church

Invocation was led by Pastor Paul Munding of Faith Lutheran Church.

1 Election of Council President

Douglas Happel nominated Martin Gaul for Council President, second by Gary Padesky. Jessica Olson nominated Barb Janssen, second by Brever. Paper ballots were distributed and members voted by secret ballot. Votes were tallied by the City Clerk who announced Martin Gaul received 10 votes and Barb Janssen received 3 votes. Martin Gaul will serve as Council President for two years.

2 Election of two Council Members to Board of Public Works

Gary Padesky nominated Phil Ostrem to serve on the Board of Public Works, seconded by Paul Medinger. Martin Gaul nominated Gary Padesky, seconded by Paul Medinger. A motion was made by Paul Medinger to cast a unanimous ballot for the two nominees, second by Martin Gaul. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote. Phil Ostrem and Gary Padesky were elected to serve on the Board of Public Works for two years.

3 [17-0456](#)

Mayor's Council Member Appointments to the Board of Park Commissioners: Paul Medinger, 2508 26th St. S. and Jacqui Marcou, 208 9th St. S.

2017-04-057

A motion was made by Padesky, seconded by Ostrem, that the Appointments be CONFIRMED. The motion carried by voice vote.

4 Mayor's Address

Mayor Kabat addressed the new Council.

Adjournment

**A motion was made by Richmond, seconded by Gaul, to ADJOURN at 5:10 pm.
The motion carried by voice vote.**