Resolution amending the first paragraph to Council Rule V regarding minutes of the standing committees.

RESOLUTION

WHEREAS, Council Members find it difficult to participate in discussions of the standing committees and record votes and minutes.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED by the Common Council of the City of La Crosse that it hereby amends the first paragraph of Council Rule V to read as follows:

Following each organization meeting of the Common Council on the third Tuesday in April and no later than within ten (10) days thereof, the President of the Common Council shall appoint the standing committees of the Council and each committee shall elect a Chair, and Vice-Chair and Secretary. The Council President shall further be responsible for appointing eight (8) members to one standing committee and nine (9) members to the other standing committee. Once Council Members have been appointed to a standing committee during the regular two-year session, a Council Member may voluntarily agree to be reappointed to another standing committee if the Council President approves of said reappointment. The committees to be appointed in accordance with this rule shall include the following standing committees: Finance and Personnel; and the Judiciary and Administration. Unless there is a vacancy on the Council, the Council Member who is elected President of the Council shall appoint himself/herself a member of one of the standing committees and shall vote thereon. The Council President may, should there be a vacancy on the Council, appoint himself/herself to a standing committee to fill a vacancy on such committee or delay his or her appointment to a standing committee until the vacancy is filled. Immediately after appointment of the committees, the members of each committee shall meet and elect its officers. The Chair shall preside at all subsequent meetings of the committee and in his/her absence, the Vice-Chair shall preside. The Secretary-City staff shall record all votes taken by the committee on matters referred to it on forms provided therefor, and the City Clerk shall keep a permanent record of such votes and shall perform such additional duties as are necessary to carry out the functions of the committee.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Mayor and City Clerk are hereby authorized to take any and all steps necessary to effectuate this resolution.