

MINUTES
EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 18, 2017

City Council Chamber

4:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE AND ROLL CALL

Council President Kincaid called the meeting to order. The following members were present: Council Members Kate Beaton, Catherine Emmanuelle, Kerry Kincaid, David Klinkhammer, Kathy Mitchell, David Strobel, Tim Tewalt, Bob Von Haden, Terry Weld, and Michael Xiong. Absent: Council Member Andrew Werthmann.

SWEARING-IN CEREMONY

The Honorable Judge John Manydeeds administered the Oath of Office to Council President Kerry Kincaid.

CHARGE TO THE COUNCIL

Council President Kincaid gave the annual Charge to the Council address. Kincaid encouraged council members to be personally responsible and accessible to the citizens, to have integrity, to be fair, to respect each other and to be fiercely kind.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

Council President Kincaid called for nominations for Council Vice President. Council Member Klinkhammer nominated Council Member Mitchell. Council Member Tewalt nominated Council Member Strobel. No other nominations being heard, Kincaid declared nominations closed and paper ballots were distributed to Council Members. Ballots were collected and tallied by the City Clerk.

Council Member Mitchell received 6 votes.

Council Member Strobel received 3 votes.

Council Member Klinkhammer received 1 vote.

Council Member Mitchell was elected Vice President.

APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES

Council Members had previously submitted their committee preferences and a chart had been prepared. President Kincaid said in cases where more Council Members had expressed interest in a particular committee than there are positions available, the Council would vote on the membership.

There were three positions on the Advisory Committee on Appointments. According to City Code, the Council President serves on the committee by virtue of the office. Council Members Emmanuelle, Mitchell, Tewalt and Werthmann had all expressed interest in serving on the Committee. The Council voted by a show of hands.

Council Member Emmanuelle received 6 votes.

(Beaton, Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Mitchell, Weld, Xiong).

Council Member Mitchell received 6 votes.

(Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Mitchell, Weld, Xiong).

Council Member Tewalt received 4 votes.

(Klinkhammer, Strobel, Tewalt, Von Haden).

Council Member Werthmann received 3 votes.

(Beaton, Strobel, Von Haden).

Council Members Kincaid, Emmanuelle and Mitchell will serve on the Committee.

There was one position on the Chippewa Valley Innovation Center Board. Council Member Von Haden had expressed interest and will serve on the Committee.

There was one position on the City / County Board of Health. Council Member Mitchell had expressed interest and will serve on the Committee.

There was one position on the Housing Authority Board. Council Member Beaton had expressed interest and will serve on the Committee.

There were three positions on the Joint Commission on Shared Services Initiatives. The Council President serves on the committee by virtue of the office. Council Member Klinkhammer indicated a willingness to serve on the Commission. No other Council Members expressed interest in serving on the Committee; thus the third seat will remain open.

There was one position on the Landmarks Commission. Council Member Strobel had expressed interest and will serve on the Committee.

There was one position on the Library Board. Council Members Tewalt and Xiong had expressed interest in serving on the committee. Council voted by a show of hands.

Council Member Tewalt received 5 votes.

(Beaton, Klinkhammer, Strobel, Tewalt, Von Haden).

Council Member Xiong received 5 votes.

(Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Mitchell, Weld, Xiong).

Council Members cast a second ballot.

Council Member Tewalt received 5 votes.

(Beaton, Strobel, Tewalt, Von Haden, Weld).

Council Member Xiong received 5 votes.

(Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Mitchell, Xiong).

Council Member Xiong withdrew his name from consideration. Council Member Tewalt was confirmed by a unanimous voice vote.

There were two positions on the Plan Commission. According to City Ordinance, Council Members appointed to the Plan Commission are to be elected by a two-thirds vote, meaning eight affirmative votes of the Common Council. Council Members Klinkhammer and Mitchell had expressed interest. Their appointment to the Commission was confirmed by a unanimous voice vote.

There were two positions on the Putnam Parks Commission. Council Members Werthmann and Xiong had expressed interest and will serve on the Committee.

There was one position on the Redevelopment Authority. Council Members Klinkhammer, Von Haden, Weld and Werthmann had expressed interest in serving on the Authority. Council Members Von Haden and Weld withdrew their names from consideration. The Council voted by a show of hands on the two remaining candidates.

Council Member Klinkhammer received 10 votes.

Council Member Werthmann received no votes.

Council Member Klinkhammer will serve on the Authority.

There was one position on the Revolving Loan Fund Committee. Council Member Weld indicated willingness and will serve on the Committee

There was one position on the Transit Commission. Council Member Weld indicated willingness and will serve on the Commission.

There was one position on the Utility Appeals Board. Council Member Tewalt had expressed an interest and will serve on the Board.

There were two positions on the Visit Eau Claire Board (Convention & Visitors Bureau). Council Members Emmanuelle, Strobel and Weld had expressed interest. Council Member Weld withdrew his name from consideration. Council Members Emmanuelle and Strobel will serve on the Board.

There were two positions on the Visit Eau Claire Tourism & Cultural Arts Grant Program Committee. Council Members Beaton and Werthmann had expressed interest and will serve on the Committee.

There were two positions on the Waterways and Parks Commission. Council Members Beaton, Von Haden and Weld had expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council voted by a show of hands.

Council Member Beaton received 7 votes.

(Beaton, Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Von Haden, Weld, Xiong).

Council Member Von Haden received 5 votes.

(Kincaid, Mitchell, Strobel, Tewalt, Von Haden).

Council Member Weld received 8 votes.

(Beaton, Emmanuelle, Klinkhammer, Mitchell, Strobel, Tewalt, Weld, Xiong).

Council Members Beaton and Weld will serve on the Committee.

SEATING ARRANGEMENT

The Council drew for their Chamber seating arrangement.

ADJOURNMENT

A motion was offered by Council Member Von Haden and seconded by Council Member Strobel "that this meeting does now adjourn". Said motion passed without objection.

Adjournment: April 18, 2017

Time: 5:09 p.m.

ATTEST:

/s/ Kerry J. S. Kincaid, President

/s/ Donna A. Austad, City Clerk

BOARD, COMMISSION & COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS

Council Vice President	Council Member Mitchell
Advisory Committee on Appointments	Council Members Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Mitchell
Chippewa Valley Innovation Center Board	Council Member Von Haden
City / County Board of Health	Council Member Mitchell
Housing Authority Board.	Council Member Beaton
Joint Commission on Shared Services Initiatives	Council Members Kincaid, Klinkhammer (one open seat)
Landmarks Commission	Council Member Strobel
Library Board	Council Member Tewalt
Plan Commission	Council Members Klinkhammer, Mitchell
Putnam Parks Commission	Council Members Werthmann, Xiong
Redevelopment Authority Board	Council Member Klinkhammer
Revolving Loan Fund Committee	Council Member Weld
Transit Commission	Council Member Weld
Utility Appeals Board	Council Member Tewalt
Visit Eau Claire Board	Council Members Emmanuelle, Strobel
Visit Eau Claire Tourism & Cultural Arts Grant Program Committee	Council Members Beaton, Werthmann
Waterways and Parks Commission	Council Members Beaton, Weld