

## **MINUTES**

### **EAU CLAIRE CITY COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING**

**Tuesday, April 15, 2014**

**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 David Duax, Catherine Emmanuelle, Kerry Kincaid, David Klinkhammer, Eric Larsen, Monica Lewis, Kathy Mitchell, David Strobel, Bob Von Haden, Andrew Werthmann, and Michael Xiong.

#### **SWEARING-IN CEREMONY**

The Honorable Judge Benjamin Proctor administered the Oath of Office to Council President Kerry Kincaid.

#### **PRESIDENT'S CHARGE TO THE COUNCIL**

Council President Kincaid, in her Charge to the Council, spoke of what the Council can do in the coming year to move Eau Claire forward, the individual citizens, the business community and the city as a whole.

#### **ELECTION OF COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT**

Council President Kincaid opened the floor for nominations for Council Vice President. Council Member Strobel nominated Council Member Duax. Council Member Klinkhammer nominated Council Member Mitchell. President Kincaid called for other nominations three times. No other nominations being heard, Kincaid declared nominations closed. Council Member Duax, with appreciation for the nomination, withdrew his name from consideration, and moved that a unanimous ballot be cast for Council Member Mitchell as Vice President. Council Member Von Haden seconded the motion. Said motion was approved on a unanimous voice vote.

#### **APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS AND COMMITTEES**

Council Members had previously submitted their committee preferences and a chart had been prepared. Council 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 was one position on the Advisory Commission on Sustainability. Council Member Werthmann had expressed interest in serving on the Board and was approved by unanimous consent.

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 and Von Haden had all expressed interest in serving on the Committee. The Council voted by a show of hands.

Council Member Emmanuelle received 8 votes (Duax, Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchell, Strobel, Xiong);

Council Member Mitchell received 10 votes (Duax, Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchell, Strobel, Von Haden, Werthmann, Xiong);

Council Member Von Haden received 4 votes (Duax, Lewis, Strobel, Von Haden)

Council Members Emmanuelle and Mitchell were appointed to the Committee.

There were two positions on the Affirmative Action Committee. Council Members Emmanuelle and Xiong had expressed interest in serving on the Committee and were approved by unanimous consent.

There was one position on the Chippewa Valley Innovation Center Board. Council Member Kincaid had expressed interest in serving on the Board and was approved by unanimous consent.

There was one position on the Chippewa Valley Sports Commission. Council Member Lewis expressed interest in serving on the Commission and was approved by unanimous consent.

There were three positions on the Fiscal Policy Advisory Committee. Council Members Duax, Larsen, Lewis and Strobel expressed interest in serving on the Committee. Council Member Duax withdrew his name from consideration. Council Members Larsen, Lewis and Strobel were approved by unanimous consent.

There was one position on the City / County Board of Health. Council Member Mitchell had expressed interest in serving on the Board and was approved by unanimous consent.

There was one position on the Housing Authority Board. Council Member Xiong had expressed interest in serving on the Board and was approved by unanimous consent.

There were three positions on the Joint Commission on Shared Services Initiatives. According to City Code, the Council President serves on the Commission by virtue of the office. Council Members Duax, Klinkhammer and Larsen had expressed interest in serving on the Commission. Council Member Klinkhammer withdrew his name from consideration. Council Members Duax and Larsen were approved by unanimous consent.

There was one position on the Landmarks Commission. Council Member Strobel had expressed interest in serving on the Commission and was approved by unanimous consent.

There was one position on the Library Board. Council Member Klinkhammer expressed interest in serving on the Board and was approved by unanimous consent.

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 Duax, Larsen and Mitchell had

expressed interest in serving on the Commission. Each candidate addressed the Council.

The Council voted by a show of hands. In the first round of voting,

Council Member Duax received 5 votes (Duax, Lewis, Strobel, Von Haden, Werthmann);

Council Member Larsen received 6 votes (Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchell, Xiong);

Council Member Mitchell received 11 votes (Duax, Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Lewis, Mitchell, Strobel, Von Haden, Werthmann and Xiong).

Council Member Mitchell was appointed to one of the positions. The Council voted a second time.

Council Member Duax received 5 votes. (Duax, Lewis, Strobel, Von Haden Werthmann);

Council Member Larsen received 6 votes (Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchel, Xiong).

The Council voted a third time.

Council Member Duax received 4 votes. (Duax, Lewis, Strobel, Von Haden);

Council Member Larsen received 7 votes (Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchel, Werthmann, Xiong).

The Council voted a fourth time.

Council Member Duax received 4 votes. (Duax, Lewis, Strobel, Von Haden);

Council Member Larsen received 7 votes (Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchel, Werthmann, Xiong).

The candidates again addressed the Council and the Council voted a fifth time.

Council Member Duax received 4 votes. (Duax, Lewis, Strobel, Von Haden);

Council Member Larsen received 7 votes (Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchel, Werthmann, Xiong).

The Council voted a sixth time.

Council Member Duax received 4 votes. (Duax, Lewis, Strobel, Von Haden);

Council Member Larsen received 7 votes (Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchel, Werthmann, Xiong).

Council Member Duax withdrew his name from consideration. The Council voted a seventh time. Council Member Larsen received 9 votes (Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchell, Strobel, Von Haden, Werthmann, Xiong). Council Members Larsen and Mitchell will serve on the Commission.

There were two positions on the Putnam Parks Commission. Council Members Mitchell and Werthmann expressed interest in serving and were approved by unanimous ballot.

There was one position on the Redevelopment Authority. Council Members Klinkhammer, Strobel and Von Haden had expressed interest in serving on the Authority. Council Member Strobel withdrew his name from consideration. Council voted by a show of hands.

Council Member Klinkhammer received 6 votes (Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchell, Xiong);

Council Member Von Haden received 5 votes (Duax, Lewis, Strobel, Von Haden, Werthmann).

Council Member Klinkhammer will serve on the Authority.

There were three positions on the Economic Policy Advisory Committee. Council Member Klinkhammer, as the Council representative on the Redevelopment Authority, serves on the Economic Policy Advisory Committee. Council Members Emmanuelle, Larsen, and Von Haden had expressed interest in the two remaining positions. Council voted by a show of hands.

Council Member Emmanuelle received 9 votes (Duax, Emmanuelle, Kincaid, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchell, Von Haden, Werthmann, Xiong);

Council Member Larsen received 5 votes (Emmanuelle, Klinkhammer, Larsen, Mitchell, Werthmann);

Council Member Von Haden received 6 votes (Duax, Kincaid, Lewis, Strobel, Von Haden, Xiong).

Council Members Emmanuelle and Von Haden were appointed to the Committee.

There was one position on the Revolving Loan Fund Committee. Council Member Lewis had expressed interest in serving on the Committee and was approved by unanimous consent.

There was one position on the Special Assessment Deferment Committee. Council Member Von Haden expressed interest in serving on the Committee and was appointed by unanimous ballot.

There was one position on the Transit Commission. Council Member Xiong had expressed interest in serving on the Commission and was approved by unanimous consent.

There was one position on the Utility Appeals Board. Council Member Mitchell had expressed interest in serving on the Board and was approved by unanimous consent.

There was one position on the Veolia Seven Mile Creek Landfill Standing Committee. Council Member Larsen expressed interest and was appointed to the Committee by unanimous consent.

There were two positions on the Visit Eau Claire Board (Convention & Visitors Bureau). Council Members Emmanuelle, Larsen, Strobel and Von Haden had expressed interest in serving on the Board. The Council voted by a show of hands.

Council Member Emmanuelle received 7 votes (Emmanuelle, Klinkhammer, Kincaid, Larsen, Mitchell, Werthmann, Xiong);

Council Member Larsen received 5 votes (Emmanuelle, Duax, Kincaid, Larsen, Mitchell);

Council Member Strobel received 6 votes (Duax, Lewis, Strobel, Von Haden, Werthmann, Xiong);

Council Member Von Haden received 4 votes (Duax, Lewis, Strobel, Von Haden).

Council Members Emmanuelle and Strobel will serve on the Board.

There were two positions on the Waterways and Parks Commission. Council Members Werthmann and Von Haden had expressed interest in serving on the Commission and were approved by unanimous consent.

**PRESENTATION BY CITY ATTORNEY & CITY MANAGER**

City Attorney Stephen Nick presented information to the Council regarding the powers and duties of the Council and the City Manager, as well as open meetings and required public notices.

**SEATING ARRANGEMENT**

The Council drew for their Chamber seating arrangement.

**ADJOURNMENT**

A motion was offered by Council Member Klinkhammer and seconded by Council Member Strobel "that this meeting does now adjourn". Said motion passed by unanimous vote.

Adjournment: April 15, 2014

Time: 5:38 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Kerry J. S. Kincaid, President

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Donna A. Austad, City Clerk

## **BOARD, COMMISSION AND COMMITTEE APPOINTMENTS**

Council Vice President	Council Member Mitchell
Advisory Commission on Sustainability	Council Member Werthmann
Advisory Committee on Appointments	Council Members Kincaid, Emmanuelle, Mitchell
Affirmative Action Committee	Council Members Emmanuelle, Xiong
Chippewa Valley Innovation Center Board	Council Member Kincaid
Chippewa Valley Sports Commission	Council Member Lewis
Economic Policy Advisory Committee	Council Members Klinkhammer, Emmanuelle, Von Haden
Fiscal Policy Advisory Committee	Council Members Larsen, Lewis, Strobel
City / County Board of Health	Council Member Mitchell
Housing Authority Board.	Council Member Xiong
Joint Commission on Shared Services Initiatives	Council Members Kincaid, Duax, Larsen
Landmarks Commission	Council Member Strobel
Library Board	Council Member Klinkhammer
Plan Commission	Council Members Larsen, Mitchell
Putnam Parks Commission	Council Members Mitchell, Werthmann
Redevelopment Authority Board	Council Member Klinkhammer
Revolving Loan Fund Committee	Council Member Lewis
Special Assessment Deferment Committee	Council Member Von Haden
Transit Commission	Council Member Xiong
Utility Appeals Board	Council Member Mitchell
Veolia Seven Mile Creek Landfill Standing Committee	Council Member Larsen
Visit Eau Claire Board	Council Members Emmanuelle, Strobel
Waterways and Parks Commission	Council Members Von Haden Werthmann