

CITY OF VERONA
COMMON COUNCIL

MINUTES

April 18, 2023

1. Call to Order: Mayor Diaz called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Roll Call: Kate Cronin, Mara Helmke, Phil Hoechst, Chad Kemp, Rye Kimmitt, Christine Posey, Evan Touchett and Beth Tucker Long were present. Also present: City Administrator Adam Sayre and City Clerk Holly Licht.
4. Oath of Office for Elected Officials: City Clerk Holly Licht administered the oath of office for Christine Posey, Mara Helmke, Phil Hoechst, and Beth Tucker Long.
5. Mayor's Business
 - a. Election of City Council President: Helmke nominated Kemp. There were no other nominations. Motion by Tucker Long, seconded by Hoechst to elect Alderperson Kemp as the City Council President. Motion carried 8-0.
 - b. Election of City Council Representative to the Plan Commission: Kemp nominated Posey. There were no other nominations. Motion by Kimmitt, seconded by Helmke to elect Alderperson Posey as the City Council Representative the Plan Commission. Motion carried 8-0.
 - c. Appointment of Citizen Members to the Plan Commission: Mayor Diaz appointed Millie Harrison as the citizen member to the Plan Commission.
 - d. Council Member Committee, Commission and Board Appointments: Motion by Posey, seconded by Helmke to approve the council member committee, commission and board appoints as outlined below:

Finance Committee

Chad Kemp, Chair
Mara Helmke
Christine Posey

Personnel Committee

Chad Kemp, Chair
Beth Tucker Long
Phil Hoechst

Public Safety & Welfare Committee

Phil Hoechst, Chair
Rye Kimmitt
Evan Touchett

Public Works/Sewer & Water

Evan Touchett, Chair
Mara Helmke
Beth Tucker Long

Senior Services Committee

Christine Posey, Chair
Kate Cronin
Mara Helmke

Fitch-Rona EMS Commission

Kate Cronin

Library Board

Kate Cronin

Cemetery Board

Evan Touchett

Tourism Commission

Christine Posey

Verona Economic Development Commission

Luke Diaz

Chad Kemp

Parks, Recreation & Forestry Commission

Phil Hoechst

Beth Tucker Long

Motion carried 8-0.

- e. City Designee to comment on dockets before the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin: Kimmett nominated Diaz. There were no other nominations. Motion by Tucker Long, seconded by Hoechst to approve Mayor Diaz as the city designee to comment on dockets before the Public Service Commission of Wisconsin. Motion carried 8-0.
6. Legislative Update—Assembly Rep. Mike Bare: Representative Bare gave updates on the Badger Mill Creek and potential increase in shared revenue.
7. Announcements: Cronin encouraged residents to check out the micro sculpture exhibit at the library.
8. Designation of Official Newspaper: Motion by Kemp, seconded by Cronin to designate the Verona Press as the official newspaper for the City of Verona. Motion carried 8-0.
9. Adjournment: Motion by Touchett, seconded by Helmke to adjourn at 6:15 p.m. Motion carried 8-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Holly Licht, City Clerk