

MINUTES
ORGANIZATIONAL COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF BERLIN, WISCONSIN
APRIL 18, 2017 - 6:00 p.m.
COUNCIL CHAMBERS, BERLIN CITY HALL

Mayor Schramer called the April 18, 2017 Organizational Council Meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Roll call present: Alderpersons Lehr, Erdmann, Secora, Harke, and Page. Absent: Alderperson Eastling. Staff present: Jodie Olson.

City Clerk Jodie Olson performed the ceremonial swearing in of the Mayor Richard Schramer and Alderpersons Roberta Erdmann, David Secora and Ronald Harke.

Next was election of Council President. Alderperson Page nominated Alderperson Lehr. Alderperson Secora seconded the motion and Ald. Lehr was unanimously elected for Council President.

The following Mayoral appointments were presented for confirmation:

Offices: Animal Control Officer – Vicki Murphy; Inspector – Kunkel Engineering; Health Officer - Green Lake County Health Dept.; Humane Officer – Berlin Police Department; Weed Commissioner – Scott Zabel; Official City Paper - The Berlin Journal. All office terms expire May 1, 2018.

Commissions: Park & Recreation Commission – reappointments of Harry Kwidzinski and Jerry Bella (term expires 5/1/2020); Plan Commission – reappointments of Mary Kubiak (term expires 5/1/2020); and Police & Fire Commission – reappointment of Ed Marks (term expires 5/1/2022).

Boards: Cemetery Board – reappointments of Carol Mulder and Mary Kay Blazel (term expires 4/30/2020); Library Board – reappointments of Bob Thorsen and Mike Breza (term expires 5/1/2020); Board of Review – reappointment of Paul Roethel (term expires 7/1/2022).

Committees: Committee on Aging – reappointment of Nancy Trochinski and Chuck Fehl (term expires 4/30/2020).

Council Liaisons: BCDC – Alderperson Page, Cemetery Board – Alderperson Erdmann, Committee On Aging – Alderperson Page, Community Development Authority – Alderperson Eastling, Housing Task Force – Alderperson Eastling, Park and Recreation – Alderperson Harke, Library Board - Alderperson Erdmann, Plan Commission - Alderperson Erdmann, Police and Fire Commission - Alderperson Secora, and Sewer and Water Commission - Alderperson Lehr.

Alderperson Page made a motion to accept the Mayoral appointments as presented. Motion seconded by Alderperson Secora and carried with a voice vote.

Alderperson Page made a motion to convene into closed session pursuant to Sec 19.85(1)(e), of the WI Statutes, to deliberate or negotiate the purchase of public property, investment of public funds or conduct other specified public business, whenever competitive or bargaining reasons

require a closed session. (Review and discuss City Attorney contract renewal). Alderperson Secora seconded the motion which carried with five (5) ayes, zero (0) nays, one (1) absent. Discussion continued in closed session. Alderperson Secora moved to reconvene into open session at 6:36 p.m. Alderperson Page seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Alderperson Secora made a motion to approve the May 1, 2017-April 30, 2018 City Attorney contract with Matthew Chier as proposed for Item 4a (600 hrs for compensation of \$62,758.94), but retaining the rates in Items 4b (rates for hours over 600), 5 (services separately billed) and 6 (operating expenses) as in the 2016 contract. Alderperson Erdmann seconded the motion which carried by voice vote.

Alderperson Page moved to adjourn. Alderperson Secora seconded the motion which carried by voice vote. Meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.

Jodie Olson, City Clerk