

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING, APRIL 19, 2016 7:00 P.M.

Mayor Horne opened the meeting by announcing that this was an open meeting of the Common Council. Notice of this meeting was given to the public at least 24 hours in advance of the meeting by forwarding the complete agenda to the official City newspaper, the New Richmond News, and to all news media who have requested the same as well as posting. Copies of the complete agenda were available for inspection at the City Clerk's office. Anyone desiring information as to forthcoming meetings should contact the City Clerk's office.

Roll call was taken.

Members Present: Mayor Horne, Alderman Kittel, Ard, Jackson, Hansen, and Volkert

Members Absent: Alderman Zajkowski

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Alderman Ard moved to adopt the agenda as presented, seconded by Alderman Hansen and carried.

Communications and Miscellaneous

A representative from Senator Johnson's office gave an update on items the Senator is working on.

Mayor Horne thanked Jane Hansen for her years of service on Council and presented her with a plaque.

Alderman Hansen moved to adjourn Sine Die, seconded by Alderman Ard, and carried.

NEW COUNCIL

Fred Horne was sworn in as Mayor, Mike Montello was sworn in as Alderman for District 4, Ron Volkert was sworn in as Alderman for District 5, and Jim Zajkowski will sign his oath office as Alderman for District 6 when he returns.

Roll call was taken.

Members Present: Mayor Horne, Alderman Kittel, Ard, Jackson, Montello and Volkert.

Members Absent: Alderman Zajkowski

Council President

Alderman Montello nominated Jim Zajkowski for Council President. Alderman Volkert nominated Jim Jackson for Council President. Alderman Ard moved to close nominations, seconded by Alderman Montello and carried. Voting was conducted by paper ballot. Alderman Zajkowski received three votes and Alderman Jackson received two votes. Alderman Zajkowski is the new Council President.

Mayor's Appointments

Mayor Horne made the following appointments:

ALDERMAN APPOINTMENTS

Finance Committee	Mayor Horne, Alderman Zajkowski, Alderman Ard
Public Works Committee	Alderman Zajkowski, Alderman Volkert, Alderman Kittel
Public Safety	Alderman Ard, Alderman Jackson, Alderman Montello
Plan Commission	Council President - Alderman Zajkowski
Library Board	Alderman Ard
Park Board	Alderman Kittel

Ethics Board	Alderman Volkert and Alderman Ard
Airport Commission	Alderman Jackson and Alderman Kittel
Board of Review	Alderman Montello, Alderman Volkert, Jim Zajkowski
Historic Preservation Commission	Alderman Montello
EDC	Alderman Zajkowski
Community Development Authority	Alderman Jackson and Alderman Ard
Ambulance Board	Alderman Kittel, Alderman Jackson, Alderman Montello
Fire Board	Alderman Zajkowski, Alderman Volkert, Alderman Kittel
Housing Authority	Alderman Ard

CITIZEN APPOINTMENTS

Utility Commission	Jerry Frey
Plan Commission	MaryKay Rice and David Wilford
Library Board	Vicki Gjovik
Park Board	Brian Schroeder
Ethics Board	Don Holmberg and Ronald Thompson
Airport Commission	Mike Jacobson
Board of Appeals	Jane Hansen and Glenn Highum
Board of Appeals Alternates	Dick Nelson and Mania Moore
Police and Fire Commission	Jane Hansen
Historic Preservation	Jon Hailey and Tara Van Eperen
EDC – Business Tech Park Rep	Summer Seidenkranz
CDA -	John Soderberg and Larry Moore
Housing Authority	James Tilly

Alderman Montello moved to approve the Mayor’s appointments except the Police and Fire Commission appointment, seconded by Alderman Kittel and carried.

Alderman Montello moved to reject the Mayor’s appointment of Jane Hansen to the Police and Fire Commission, seconded by Alderman Kittel. Alderman Montello expressed his concern with the Mayor not reappointing Don Schoenherr since he is the acting chairman of the committee. Mayor Horne expressed his concern with the Police and Fire Commission meeting in the Police Department building since the doors are locked. Alderman Montello stated the door was opened for everyone wishing to attend the meetings. Considerable discussion followed. Alderman Ard called the question. Motion failed with Alderman Kittel and Montello voting yes and Alderman Ard, Jackson, and Volkert voting no.

Alderman Ard moved to approve the Mayor’s appointment of Jane Hansen to the Police and Fire Commission, seconded by Alderman Jackson. On voting, motion passed with Alderman Ard, Jackson and Volkert voting yes and Alderman Montello and Kittel voting no.

Communications and Miscellaneous

There will be a Council work session on April 25, 2016 at 5:00 p.m. and a GEN meeting following that at 7:00 p.m.

Alderman Ard moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Jackson, and carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Tanya Reigel
City Clerk