



CITY OF MERRILL

COMMON COUNCIL

MINUTES • TUESDAY APRIL 19, 2016

Reorganizational Meeting

City Hall Council Chambers

7:00 PM

I. Call to Order

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Chris Malm	Aldersperson - First District	Present	
Pete Lokemoen	Aldersperson - Second District	Present	
Ryan Schwartzman	Aldersperson - Third District	Present	
Kandy Peterson	Aldersperson - Fourth District	Present	
John Burgener	Aldersperson - Fifth District & President	Present	
Dave Sukow	Aldersperson - Sixth District	Present	
Rob Norton	Aldersperson - Seventh District	Present	
Tim Meehean	Aldersperson - Eighth District	Absent	
Bill Bialecki	Mayor	Present	

II. Silent Prayer

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Roll Call for current Common Council

V. Public Comment Period

Bill Heideman spoke in opposition to the appointment of an alderpeson to the Zoning Board of Appeals. He cited the manual "Zoning Board Handbook" when explaining why he is opposed to alderpersons serving on that board.

VI. Oath of Office for Alderspersons - Administered by City Clerk Heideman

VII. Roll Call for new-elected Common Council

Roll call for the newly-elected Common Council showed the following members present (7 of 8): Alderman Paul Russell (District #1), Alderman Peter Lokemoen (District #2), Alderman Ryan Schwartzman (District #3), Alderwoman Kandy Peterson (District #4), Alderman John Burgener (District #5), Alderwoman Mary Ball (District #6) and Alderman Rob Norton (District #7). Alderman Tim Meehean (District #8) was absent.

VIII. Elections and Mayor's Appointments:

1. Elect President of the Common Council

Motion (Norton/Peterson) to nominate Alderman John Burgener as Common Council President.

Motion (Lokemoen) to nominate Ryan Schwartzman as Common Council President.
Motion failed due to lack of a second.

Motion to elect Alderman John Burgener as Common Council President carried.

2. Elect Aldersperson member of the City Plan Commission

Motion (Schwartzman/Burgener) to elect Alderman Tim Meehean as the aldersperson member of the City Plan Commission.

RESULT: APPROVED

3. Mayor's Appointments

Mayor Bialecki requested one amended to the list of appointments. On the Sewer Service Area Advisory Committee, he changed the aldermanic appointment from Alderman Norton to Alderman Lokemoen.

Motion (Schwartzman/Lokemoen) to approve the Mayor's appointments as presented and amended by Mayor Bialecki.

RESULT: APPROVED

IX. General Agenda Items:

1. Consider bids on City sale of property at 600 East First Street. City Administrator Johnson recommends approving the bid of \$10,001 from Mark Raymer.

Motion (Schwartzman/Burgener) to approve the bid of \$10,001 from Mark Raymer.

RESULT: APPROVED

2. Consider bids on Pine Ridge Avenue Sewer Extension Project. Mayor Bialecki is bringing these bids directly to the Common Council.

Motion (Schwartzman/Peterson) to approve the bid of \$137,180 from Howard Brothers.

RESULT: APPROVED

X. Resolutions:

1. A Resolution designating official newspaper for the City of Merrill (Resolution #2454).

WHEREAS, Section 985.03 of the Wisconsin Statutes requires the designation of an official newspaper for the printing of all the City's Official Business; and

WHEREAS, the Merrill Courier has qualified for such designation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERRILL, WISCONSIN this 19th day of April, 2016, that the Merrill Courier of Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin, shall be and is hereby designated, until further action, as the official newspaper for the City of Merrill.

Motion (Schwartzman/Russell) to approve.

RESULT: APPROVED

2. A Resolution designating official depositories for the City of Merrill (Resolution #2455).

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERRILL, WISCONSIN this 19th day of April, 2016, that the following financial institutions shall be qualified as public depositories under Chapter 34 of the Wisconsin Statutes, and shall be and hereby are designated until further action as public depositories for all public monies coming into the hands of the Treasurer for the City of Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin, State of Wisconsin:

BMO Harris Bank, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin

Lincoln Community Bank, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin

River Valley Bank, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin

Local Government Investment Pool, State of Wisconsin Treasurer

Merrill Federal Savings and Loan Association, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin

Park City Credit Union, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin

Associated Bank, N.A., Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin

US Bank, Twin Cities, Minnesota

Edward Jones, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin

Motion (Schwartzman/Burgener) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED
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3. A Resolution honoring Chris Malm for his extended service and great contribution to the City of Merrill (Resolution #2456).

WHEREAS, Chris Malm is retiring as First District Alderperson of the City of Merrill; and,

WHEREAS, Chris Malm has served as an alderperson for the City of Merrill since April 17, 2012; and,

WHEREAS, the personal commitment and unselfish dedication Chris Malm has put forth has contributed greatly to the growth, progress and stability of the City of Merrill; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Merrill offers a solid and stable community environment for all of its citizens in part because of Chris Malm's dedicated service; and,

WHEREAS, Chris Malm's cheerful manner and hard work will be missed at the Merrill City Hall;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERRILL, WISCONSIN this 19th day of April, 2016, that the Common Council, and the people of Merrill officially acknowledge with deep

appreciation the dedicated and faithful service Chris Malm has given to the City of Merrill and commend him for those years of service.

Motion (Common Council/Common Council) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED
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4. A Resolution honoring Dave Sukow for his extended service and great contribution to the City of Merrill (Resolution #2457).

WHEREAS, Dave Sukow is retiring as Sixth District Alderperson of the City of Merrill; and,

WHEREAS, Dave Sukow has served as an alderperson for the City of Merrill since April 18, 2006; and,

WHEREAS, the personal commitment and unselfish dedication Dave Sukow has put forth has contributed greatly to the growth, progress and stability of the City of Merrill; and,

WHEREAS, the City of Merrill offers a solid and stable community environment for all of its citizens in part because of Dave Sukow's dedicated service; and,

WHEREAS, Dave Sukow's cheerful manner and hard work will be missed at the Merrill City Hall;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERRILL, WISCONSIN this 19th day of April, 2016, that the Common Council, and the people of Merrill officially acknowledge with deep appreciation the dedicated and faithful service Dave Sukow has given to the City of Merrill and commend him for those years of service.

Motion (Common Council/Common Council) to approve.

RESULT:	APPROVED
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XI. Mayor's Address

Mayor Bialecki thanked Dave Sukow and Chris Malm for their years of service on the Common Council. He also thanked the returning alderpersons and the City staff for their work.

A Committee of the Whole meeting will be held on Saturday, April 23rd.

Several ribbon-cutting ceremonies are upcoming.

Several projects are on the horizon.

New events are being planned for the Merrill Festival Grounds.

On Wednesday, May 4th, Ruder-Ware will be holding a seminar related to government issues. Mayor Bialecki encouraged Common Council members to attend.

On Tuesday, April 26th, the Joint Review Board will meet at 4:30 P.M. and the Redevelopment Authority will meet at 6:00 P.M.

XII. Adjournment

Motion (Burgener/Ball) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 7:23 P.M.