



Legislative Committee
Meeting Minutes
February 11, 2020

The Legislative Committee met at 6:15 p.m. on Tuesday, February 11, 2020, in the first-floor conference room at City Hall, 444 West Grand Avenue, Wisconsin Rapids. All members were present. Also present were Mayor Zach Vruwink, Erm Blevins, Sue Schill, Tyler Mickelson, Andy Radig, Dennis Polach, and Heather Koth.

1. The meeting was called to order by Chairperson Blaser at 6:16 p.m.
2. Review and consider for adoption an amendment to the well abandonment ordinance moving the program to Water Works and Lighting Commission.

Motion by Koth, second by Blaser, to approve the amendment to the well abandonment ordinance as presented. Motion carried, 2 ayes and 1 nay, with Kubisiak voting in the negative. (See attached ordinance)

3. Review and discuss policies relating to the taping and broadcasting of City meetings.

Motion by Kubisiak, second by Koth, to approve of the policy with the revisions as discussed. Motion carried, 3 ayes and 0 nays. (See attached policy as revised)

4. Consider a referral from Alderperson Rayome for a study of all committees, commissions, and boards regarding their duties, number of members, whether members are residents of Wisconsin Rapids or not, and meeting dates and times.

Motion by Kubisiak, second by Koth, to postpone this item to a future Legislative meeting when Alderperson Rayome can attend. Motion carried, 3 ayes and 0 nays.

5. Consider referrals from Alderperson Koth relating to increasing fines for disorderly conduct with a motor vehicle, failure to stop at a stop sign, and excessive muffler/modified muffler violations.

Attorney Schill explained that traffic deposits/fines are set by the state and cannot be changed. So, the stop sign violation and muffler violation cannot be changed. A disorderly conduct with a motor vehicle violation, however, is not a traffic violation that the state has, so it is up to the Municipal Judge, with the approval of the Council, to set a deposit/fine schedule.

Motion by Kubisiak, second by Koth, to request that the Municipal Judge consider looking at the deposit/fines for DCMV. Motion carried, 3 ayes and 0 nays.

6. Consider amending the number of items needed to trigger a Legislative Committee meeting.
Motion by Kubisiak, second by Blaser, to have regular, monthly meetings of the Legislative Committee unless there are no items to be considered. Motion carried, 3 ayes and 0 nays.

7. Motion by Kubisiak, second by Koth, to adjourn. Motion carried, 3 ayes and 0 nays. Meeting adjourned at 7:13 p.m.