



Legislative Committee Meeting Minutes August 11, 2022

Legislative Committee

Jay Bemke, Chair
Ryan Austin, Secretary
Matt Zacher

The Legislative Committee met at 4:00 p.m. on Thursday, August 11, 2022, in the Council Chambers at City Hall. The meeting was LIVE on Wisconsin Rapids Community Media (WRCM) Spectrum Channel 985 and Solarus Channel 3, online at www.wr-cm.org or via WRCM's Roku app and was streamed LIVE on the City of Wisconsin Rapids Facebook page. All members of the Legislative Committee were present. Also in attendance were Alderpersons Polach, Rayome, and Veneman; Mayor Blaser, Sue Schill, Tyler Mickelson, and Jennifer Gossick.

1. Call to Order

Chairperson Bemke called the meeting to order at 4:02 p.m.

2. Consider for adoption an ordinance revising the role and responsibilities of the Park and Recreation Commission, as recommended by the Park and Recreation Ad Hoc Committee and the Park and Recreation Commission.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Zacher to adopt an ordinance revising the role and responsibilities of the Park and Recreation Commission. Motion carried, 3-0

3. Consider for adoption an ordinance which would change standing committee Secretary positions to Vice Chairperson positions.

Motion by Zacher, seconded by Bemke to adopt an ordinance changing standing committee Secretary positions to Vice Chairperson positions. Motion carried, 2-1 with Austin voting in the negative

4. Consider for adoption an ordinance which provides for a revocation of a retail alcohol license if the license is not used for a period of four (4) months.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Zacher to adopt an ordinance which provides for a revocation of a retail alcohol license if the license is not used for a period of four (4) months. Motion carried, 3-0

5. Discuss rules of the Common Council, specifically relating to the use of videoconferencing for standing committee, common council, and other committee meetings.

No action was taken.

6. Discuss temporary alcohol licenses and their requirements under state law, as it relates to recent requests for temporary alcohol licenses.

No action was taken.

7. Discuss a referral from Alderperson Evanson regarding department heads providing reports to the Common Council, and department heads reporting to a committee.

No action was taken.

8. Discuss a referral from Alderperson Evanson to create an Aquatics Ad Hoc Committee to focus on all aspects relating to the Aquatics Center.

No action was taken.

Motion by Austin, seconded by Zacher to adjourn. Motion carried, 3-0, and the meeting adjourned at 5:31 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Jennifer M. Gossick, City Clerk