

**MINUTES
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
CITY OF JEFFERSON COMMON COUNCIL
APRIL 15, 2003**

OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

City Clerk/Treasurer Stewart swore in the newly elected city officials: John Wagner, David Stewart, Tim Bare and Dave McGrath.

The Tuesday, April 15, 2003, organizational meeting of the City of Jefferson Common Council was called to order at 9:50 p.m. by Mayor Brawders. Members present were: Ald. Wagner, Ald. Stewart, Ald. McGrath, Ald. Stevens, Ald. Coffman and Ald. Carnes, Ald. Bare and Ald. Gang. Also present was City Engineer Ludwig, City Attorney Brantmeier, City Administrator Schornack and City Clerk/Treasurer Stewart.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Janet Twist, 663 Dewey Avenue, addressed the Council regarding difficulty hearing the Council. She asked the Council to speak up and encouraged the purchase of microphones so that the public can clearly hear the Council's actions.

Charlotte Goers-Nevin, 122 North Pleasant Avenue, addressed the Council regarding the official newspaper. She encouraged the Council to adopt the Watertown Daily Times as the official newspaper.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Ald. Stevens nominated Ald. Coffman for Council President. Mayor Brawders then closed the nominations. On call of the roll, Ald. Coffman received a unanimous voice vote. Ald. Coffman was then named Council President.

MAYORAL PROCLAMATION

The Mayor then read a proclamation naming April 25, 2003 as Arbor Day.

ORGANIZATIONAL RESOLUTIONS

RULES OF ORDER OF BUSINESS

Ald. Gang introduced Resolution No. 1.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 1**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Rules and Order of Business adopted April 16, 2002, by the preceding Common Council, be and hereby are adopted for the government of the Common Council.

Ald. Gang, seconded by Ald. Wagner moved to recommend Resolution No. 1. Motion carried by a voice vote.

DESIGNATING AN OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER

Ald. Stewart introduced Resolution No. 2.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 2**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Daily Jefferson County Union is hereby designated the official newspaper of the City of Jefferson for publication of Common Council proceedings and legal notices for the ensuing year.

Ald. Gang asked if we could name two papers. City Clerk/Treasurer Stewart indicated that it would be VERY expensive to publish in two papers.

Ald. Stewart, seconded by Ald. Gang moved to recommend Resolution No. 2 for discussion. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

DESIGNATING THE PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES WHICH MAY BE UTILIZED FOR THE INVESTMENT OF PUBLIC FUNDS

Ald. Coffman introduced Resolution No. 3.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 3**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Premier Bank and the F & M Bank of Jefferson, Bank One of Milwaukee, State Investment Pool Fund of Madison, First Bank Milwaukee of Milwaukee, the Marshall & Illsley Bank of Milwaukee and the Wisconsin Investment Trust, duly organized under the laws of the State of Wisconsin and approved by the Wisconsin Commissioner of Banking as qualified public depositories, be and hereby are designated for public depositories pursuant to Section 34.05, of the Wisconsin State Statutes, for all public moneys coming into the City of Jefferson.

Ald. Bare asked how these institutions were picked. City Administrator Schornack stated that the local financial institutions are included as well as all other financial institutions currently being used by the City.

Ald. Coffman, seconded by Ald. Carnes moved to recommend Resolution No. 3. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR AND CONFIRMED BY COUNCIL

Ald. Carnes, seconded by Ald. Coffman moved to approve the following mayoral appointments:

Appointments by Mayor and Confirmed by City Council:

- A. Street Superintendent/Weed Commissioner Dave Haffelder
- B. Wastewater Treatment Utility Supt..... Mike Kelly
- C. Recreation Director/Forester..... Cyndi Keller

Ald. Wagner then singled Director Keller out of the group by stating that she was doing a good job, but that she needed to control her department's spending.

Motion carried on a voice vote.

Ald. Wagner, seconded by Ald. Gang moved to approve the following mayoral appointments.

Ald. Bare asked about the Historic Preservation Commission and what the purpose and duties of the Commission were. City Administrator Schornack provided information on the Commission and its origin. Former member Peg Beyer provided information on the Committee.

Appointments by Mayor and Confirmed by City Council:

- A. Housing Authority (5 yr. term) Bruce Freeberg
- B. Jefferson Development Commission.....Shirley Dempsey, Business
..... Steve Lewis, Business
..... Dev Traver, Business
..... Kevin Wenzel, Business
..... Dave Knutson, Business
..... Andrew Gonzales, Financial
..... Tom Pinnow, Financial
..... Chuck Klug, Financial
..... Jim Van Lieshout, Financial
..... Richard Fischer, Utility Commission
.....Ald. Collin Stevens, Council Representative
..... _____, County Board Representative
..... Charlotte Lehman, Chamber of Commerce President
..... David Schornack (City Administrator), Ex-Officio Member
..... Dan Ludwig (City Engineer), Ex-Officio Member
..... Mike Swartz (School District), Ex-Officio Member
..... Chris Nash (Realtor), Ex-Officio Member
- C. Library Board (3 yr. term) Judy Dellamater
..... Barbara Mayhew, President
..... Mike Swartz, School Rep
Council Representative Ald. David McGrath
- D. Museum Board (3 year term) Shirley Herried
..... Mrs. B.G. Kemmeter
3 Council Representatives (1 year term).....Ald. David Carnes
.....Ald. David Stewart.
.....Ald. John Wagner
- E. Park & Recreation Commission Steve Adams, Chairperson
Council Representative Chris Gang
- F. Plan Commission (3 year term) Bill Brandel

- G. Police and Fire Commission Colleen Locke
- H. Revolving Loan Committee Ald. Bob Coffman
..... Ald. John Wagner-Alternate
- I. Utilities Commission (3 year term)..... Bill Brandel
2 Council Representatives..... Ald. David Carnes
..... Ald. David Stewart
- J. Zoning Appeals Board (3 year term)..... Brian Hoffman-Alternate
..... Noelle Wilharm-Alternate
- K. Historic Preservation Commission..... Alderperson Tim Bare

Motion carried on a voice vote.

Mayor Brawders then stated that he would like to appoint Alderperson Tim Bare as Council Representative to the Plan Commission. Ald. Coffman, seconded Ald. Gang moved to approve the mayoral appointment. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Ald. Wagner questioned when Ald. Bare would need to abstain due to his potential conflicts.

Mayor Brawders then appointed the following Alderpersons to the Board of Review:

Board of Review: (1 Year Term)

- Mayor Arnold Brawders
- John Wagner
- Collin Stevens
- Robert Coffman
- David Carnes
- City Clerk/Treasurer Stewart

Ald. Wagner, seconded by Ald. Gang moved to approve the mayoral appointments. The motion carried on a voice vote.

Ald. Bare then asked a question of privilege. He asked if he could make a motion to amend the Committee appointments.

Atty. Brantmeier gave a legal opinion on the appointments and the process used. He stated that it was his opinion that the appointment are made by the Mayor and approved by the Council.

Ald. Coffman stated that he felt that the committee chairpersons should be distributed among the senior members of the Council. He stated that he did not feel that it was necessary for the same councilperson to chair two committees. He stated that he personally did not care for some of his committee assignments.

Ald. Bare then stated that he asked a question of privilege and questioned the Attorney opinion. He questioned if he could ask the Council to overrule. Attorney Brantmeier once

again clarified his earlier statements and stated that if he chose to make a motion to overrule the mayoral appointments he could do so.

Ald. Bare then made a motion to overrule the mayoral appointments. The motion died for a lack of a second.

Ald. Wagner questioned if Ald. Coffman could swap committees with him. Because he did not care to be on Finance Committee and would rather be on Regulatory.

Mayor Brawders stated that he had structured the Committee appointments as he saw fit and had offered Ald. Wagner the Finance Committee appointment as a break from his long standing duties on the Regulatory Committee.

Ald. Gang stated that he felt that the Committees should be retooled.

Mayor Brawders stated that he was concerned that the appointments were causing such a problem and noted that the Committees were structured in a balancing act so that senior members were on each committee and that certain meetings could be held concurrently.

Ald. Coffman stated that he felt the appointments were unacceptable.

Mayor Brawders then stated that the original appointments would be discarded and that he would take recommendations for the new composition of each Committee.

Mayor Brawders read off the composition of the Ambulance Committee as proposed, he then asked if the appointments were acceptable. Ald. Bare stated that he did not know if the appointments were a good or bad thing. He stated that he did not believe that we should be in the ambulance business.

Several other alderpeople indicated that that was not the issue at this point.

Ald. Wagner, seconded by Ald. McGrath moved to appoint the following members to the Ambulance Committee:

AMBULANCE *Carnes, Bare, McGrath; Alternate: Stevens
Motion carried on a voice vote.

Negotiations then took place on the remainder of the committee appointments.

Ald. Coffman stated that he would take a leadership role on the Finance Committee, citing that Carnes was already chairing the Ambulance Committee and he had also acted as the Chairperson of the Finance Committee for the prior year.

Ald. Stevens, seconded by Ald. McGrath moved to appoint the following members to the Finance Committee:

FINANCE:.... * ~~Carnes~~ Coffman, ~~Wagner~~ Carnes and Stewart; Alternate: ~~Coffman~~ Gang

Motion carried on a voice vote.

Ald. Coffman, seconded by Ald. Stevens moved to appoint the following members to the Regulatory Committee:

REGULATORY:*~~Coffman~~ Wagner, McGrath, and Bare; Alternate: Stewart

Motion carried on a voice vote.

Ald. Coffman, seconded by Ald. Stevens moved to appoint the following members to the Personnel Committee:

PERSONNEL:....*~~Stevens~~ Coffman, Stewart, and ~~Gang~~ Wagner; Alternate: ~~Wagner~~ Stevens

Motion carried on a voice vote.

Ald. Gang, seconded by Ald. Stevens moved to appoint the following members to the Streets Committee:

STREETS:.....*~~Wagner~~ Gang, Carnes, and Bare; Alternate: McGrath

Motion carried on a voice vote.

Ald. Wagner, seconded by Ald. Gang moved to appoint the following members to the Facility Committee:

FACILITY:*Stevens, ~~Coffman~~ Bare, and Gang; Alternate: McGrath

Motion carried on a voice vote.

- Denotes Committee Chairperson.

Ald. Coffman thanked the Mayor after the reappointments had been made.

THANKING PAST ALDERPERSON JOHANN FOR HER SERVICE ON THE COMMON COUNCIL

Ald. Stevens introduced Resolution No. 4

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 4**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Jefferson does hereby thank Alderperson Susanne Johann for her dedicated service as an Alderperson for the City of Jefferson.

Ald. Stevens, seconded by Ald. McGrath moved to recommend Resolution No. 4. Motion carried by a voice vote.

THANKING PAST ALDERPERSON OPPERMANN FOR HIS SERVICE ON THE COMMON COUNCIL

Ald. Carnes introduced Resolution No. 5.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 5**

BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Jefferson does hereby thank Alderperson Dale Oppermann for his dedicated service as an Alderperson for the City of Jefferson.

Ald. Carnes, seconded by Ald. Stevens moved to recommend Resolution No. 5. Motion carried by a voice vote.

RESOLUTION EXTENDING SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF PETER THOMSEN SR.

Ald. Wagner introduced Resolution No. 6.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 6**

WHEREAS, God in his infinite wisdom and mercy, has chosen to call from his life, Peter Thomsen Sr., and

WHEREAS, Peter was a trusted and loyal citizen of the City of Jefferson.

WHEREAS, Peter served the City of Jefferson as a member of the Jefferson Development Commission and a member of the City of Jefferson Common Council.

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED that the Common Council of the City of Jefferson, by this Resolution extends its sympathy to the family of the late Peter Thomsen Sr. and that a copy of this resolution be sent to the bereaved family.

Ald. Wagner, seconded by Ald. Carnes moved to approve Resolution No. 6. The Council stood in silence in unanimous approval of the Resolution.

RESOLUTION CLOSING OUT TAX INCREMENT DISTRICT NO. 3

Ald. Bare introduced Resolution No.7.

**CITY OF JEFFERSON
RESOLUTION NO. 7**

A RESOLUTION TO DISSOLVE TAX INCREMENTAL DISTRICT NO. 3

WHEREAS, the City of Jefferson, Wisconsin, created Tax Incremental District No. 3 in 1999 and adopted a project plan that year, and

WHEREAS, the City's goal was to promote downtown redevelopment through implementation of the plan, and

WHEREAS, the City subsequently expanded its efforts to promote the desired downtown redevelopment by creating TID No. 5, which included all of the property within TID No. 3, and

WHEREAS, the City has determined that it will be more cost-effective to administer a single tax increment district in the downtown area; and

WHEREAS, it is in the best interest of the City to dissolve TID No. 3,

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that TID No. 3 is hereby dissolved, and;

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the City Clerk shall notify the Department of Revenue that TID No. 3 has been dissolved.

Ald. Bare, seconded by Ald. Gang moved to recommend Resolution No. 7. On call of the roll, motion carried unanimously.

It was then discussed that a request for a special council meeting had been received from one of the local businesses. Mayor Brawders asked if the Council would be agreeable to meeting to hear their request. After discussion, it was the consensus of the Council to meet at 5 p.m. on April 22, 2003 to discuss the request. Ald. Bare then requested that the Committee of the Whole meet immediately after the Council meeting to go through the 2003 Budget line item by line item.

Ald. Bare, seconded by Ald. McGrath moved to adjourn the April 15, 2003 organizational meeting of the City of Jefferson Common Council. The motion carried unanimously.

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