

**REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
“NEW COUNCIL”
Minutes**

April 16, 2019

Brillion City Center

5:15 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Gary Deiter called the meeting to order at 5:15 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance recited by those present.

ROLL CALL:

Present were Mayor Gary Deiter, Alderpersons Mel Edinger, Tim Hanson, Joe Levash, Betty Nies, Sarah Pielhop, Wally Sonnabend, and Carrie Wenzel. Also present were City Librarian Rachel Hitt, Public Works Director Andy Geiger, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer Joy Buboltz, City Administrator/Clerk-Treasurer Lori Gosz, and Police Chief JoAnn Mignon. Absent were Park & Rec Director Ann Marx and Fire Chief Joey Diener.

GUESTS:

Vicki Shafran, Jason Pielhop, Julia Pielhop, and Nora Pielhop.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion – Edinger moved to approve the agenda as printed and circulated. Seconded by Hanson. Call vote taken. Motion carried unanimously.

THE CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS WILL FOLLOW CHAPTER 1 & 2 OF THE MUNICIPAL CODE. MEETINGS WILL RUN UNDER THE “ROBERT’S RULES OF ORDER”:

Mayor Deiter stated the Brillion City Council meetings will follow Chapter 1 and Chapter 2 of the Brillion Municipal Code and the meetings will run under the “Robert’s Rules of Order”.

ELECTION OF CITY COUNCIL PRESIDENT (NOMINATIONS FROM COUNCIL FLOOR):

Mayor Deiter opened the City Council floor for nominations for City Council President.

Hanson nominated Mel Edinger as City Council President. Seconded by Wenzel. Mayor Deiter for any other nominations. None given.

Motion – Hanson moved to cast unanimous ballot for Mel Edinger as the City Council President. Seconded by Wenzel. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Edinger abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

Mel Edinger was elected as City Council President.

MAYOR’S APPOINTMENTS:

A. Appointed Officials:

1. City Attorney –Burnett, McDermott, Jahn & King, & DesRochers, LLP:

Motion – Levash moved to approve the appointment of Burnett, McDermott, Jahn & King, & DesRochers, LLP as the City Attorney for the City of Brillion. Seconded by Edinger. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Boards and Commissions:

1. Library Board – 3-year term –Mona Cox:

2. **Plan Commission – 3-year term – Zane Zander:**
3. **Park & Recreation Commission – 3-year term – Vicki Shafran, and 4 year term – Joe Behnke:**
4. **Board of Appeals – 3 year term –Bill Konwal, 1 vacancy:**
5. **Water & Sewer Utility Commission – 5 year term – Mary Jo Krueger:**
6. **Brillion Housing Authority – 5 year term – 1 vacancy:**
- 7: **Cemetery Commission – 4 year term – Linda Deiter:**
8. **Redevelopment Authority Commission – 5-year term – Ralph Rice, 1 vacancy:**
9. **Police and Fire Commission: 5 year term – 3 vacant:**
10. **Committee of the Whole – City Council Members:**
11. **Adhoc Tourism Committee –Glen Braun, Aaron Kabat, and Jennifer “Louie” Lecker:**
11. **Board of Review – 3 Alderpersons Appointed by the Mayor:**
Joe Levash, Betty Nies, and Mel Edinger will serve on the Board of Review for 2019.

Motion – Nies moved to collectively confirm Mayor Deiter’s appointment of the Boards and Commission as presented. Seconded by Hanson. Roll call taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

Pielhop stated she is formally resigning from the Park & Recreation Commission and the Tourism Committee.

ELECTION OF CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

A. Plan Commission (Presently Joe Levash):

Edinger moved to nominate Joe Levash as City Council Representative for the Plan Commission. Seconded by Nies.

Mayor Deiter asked for any other nominations. None given.

Motion – Edinger moved to cast unanimous ballot for Joe Levash as City Council Representative for the Plan Commission. Seconded by Nies. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

B. Water and Sewer Utility Commission (Presently Wally Sonnabend):

Levash moved to nominate Wally Sonnabend as City Council Representative for the Water and Sewer Utility Commission. Seconded by Edinger.

Mayor Deiter asked for any other nominations. None given.

Motion – Levash moved to cast unanimous ballot for Wally Sonnabend as City Council Representative for the Water and Sewer Utility Commission. Seconded by Edinger. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

C. Park and Recreation Commission (Presently Vicki Shafran):

Levash moved to nominate Betty Nies as City Council Representative for the Park & Recreation Commission. Seconded by Edinger.

Mayor Deiter asked for any other nominations. None given.

Motion – Levash moved to cast unanimous ballot for Betty Nies as City Council Representative for the Park & Recreation Commission. Seconded by Edinger. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

D. Cemetery Commission (Presently Carrie Wenzel):

Edinger moved to nominate Carrie Wenzel as City Council Representative for the Cemetery Commission. Seconded by Hanson.

Mayor Deiter asked for any other nominations. None given.

Motion – Levash moved to cast unanimous ballot for Carrie Wenzel as City Council Representative for the Cemetery Commission. Seconded by Hanson. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

E. Redevelopment Authority (Presently Mel Edinger):

Wenzel moved to nominate Mel Edinger as City Council Representative for the Redevelopment Authority Commission. Seconded by Nies.

Mayor Deiter asked for any other nominations. None given.

Motion – Wenzel moved to cast unanimous ballot for Mel Edinger as City Council Representative for the Redevelopment Authority Commission. Seconded by Nies. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

F. Library Board (Presently Betty Nies):

Edinger moved to nominate Sarah Pielhop as City Council Representative for the Library Board. Seconded by Nies.

Mayor Deiter asked for any other nominations. None given.

Motion – Edinger moved to cast unanimous ballot Sarah Pielhop as City Council Representative for the Library Board. Seconded by Nies. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

G. Adhoc Tourism Committee (Presently Tim Hanson):

Wenzel moved to nominate Tim Hanson as City Council Representative for the Adhoc Tourism Committee. Seconded by Edinger.

Mayor Deiter asked for any other nominations. None given.

Shafran asked, since Sarah Pielhop has been very instrumental in the operation and updates at the Brillion Community Center, can she still attend their meetings. Mayor Deiter stated yes and that any City Council member can attend any meeting. Edinger cautioned to make sure if Alderpersons attend other meetings to make sure there isn't a quorum of the City Council members.

Motion – Wenzel moved to cast unanimous ballot Tim Hanson as City Council Representative for the Adhoc Tourism Committee. Seconded by Edinger. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH OFFICER – CALUMET COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

Motion –Edinger moved to confirm Mayor Deiter's appointment of the Calumet County Health Department as the City's Health Officer. Seconded by Wenzel. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

WEED COMMISSIONER:

Motion –Edinger moved to confirm Mayor Deiter’s appointment of Andy Geiger as the City’s Weed Commissioner. Seconded by Levash. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

DESIGNATION OF OFFICAL NEWSPAPER (BRILLION NEWS):

Motion –Edinger moved to confirm Mayor Deiter’s appointment of the Brillion News as the City’s official newspaper. Seconded by Hanson. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

DESIGNATION OF PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES:**A. State Bank of Chilton:****B. Verve – A Credit Union:****C. Collins State Bank:**

Motion – Hanson moved to collectively confirm Mayor Deiter’s appointment of State Bank of Chilton, Verve – A Credit Union, and Collins State Bank as Public Depositories for the City of Brillion. Seconded by Wenzel. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

UPDATE CITY DIRECTORY AND APPROVAL TO PRINT:

Motion – Edinger moved to update the City Directory and approve the printing of the City Directory. Seconded by Nies. Call vote taken. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

Geiger expressed concern with the City wide large item pickup program. He feels it is getting a little out of control and has reservations with the continuation of the program. He stated that other communities are implementing a program where residents take their items to a dump site where they need to present a form of identification in order to drop off their unwanted items.

Nies stated she feels the large item pickup program is a good service to the City’s residents and is very much appreciated. Pielhop suggested scheduling the pickup date after Brillion Fest. Geiger stated that Advanced Disposal determines the date of the pickup.

Levash suggested compiling information on the program, i.e. cost of the program, and bring that information to a future Committee of the Whole meeting for review and discussion. Edinger suggested obtaining costs for a dump site collection versus a curb side pickup.

STATE OF THE CITY ADDRESS AND FUTURE GOALS – MAYOR DEITER:

Mayor Deiter stated he feels good with the development over the last few years in the City. He also thanked Dan Ariens for the purchase of the former Brillion Iron Works site and developing that site.

Mayor Deiter stated ten (10) years ago he presented his goals as the City’s Mayor. His tenth goal was the removal of the former Econo Foods facility and the construction of a new City Hall. That has now been done.

Mayor Deiter asked DPW Geiger and Police Chief Mignon to monitor the City for junk in yards in the City and for trailers not being moved in a timely manner. He would like to see more enforcement on this. Chief Mignon stated this is currently being worked on.

Mayor Deiter stated we are moving forward on I/I Projects and lead testing in the City.

Gosz stated she would like to remind the City Council members to read their packet of information prior to the meeting and if there are any questions to contact her prior to the meeting so she can prepare for those questions at the upcoming meeting.

Pielhop stated she has heard concerns that if an item is budgeted why does that Department Head need to go to the City Council for approval to purchase that item. Gosz stated that is part of the City's Purchasing Policy and that sometimes the item they wish to purchase must be publicly bid. Pielhop suggested maybe reviewing that Policy.

Hanson questioned what would happen to the parking lot where the former Econo Foods building is if the apartment complex isn't constructed there. Gosz stated the RDA is still planning on having an apartment complex built there.

CITIZEN INPUT:

None.

PRESS TIME:

None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Deiter adjourned the meeting adjourned at 6:05 PM.

Gary Deiter, Mayor

Joy L. Buboltz, Deputy Clerk/Treasurer