

**REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
“NEW COUNCIL”
Minutes**

April 20, 2021

Brillion City Center

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Mike Smith called the meeting to order at 6:01 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance recited by those present.

Oath of Office were administered for Mayor Mike Smith, Alderperson at Large TJ Moehr and Alderperson at Large Shelly Lau by Clerk/Treasurer Patricia Schreiber

ROLL CALL:

Present were Mayor Mike Smith, Alderpersons Joe Behnke, Tim Hanson, Joe Levash, TJ Moehr, Sarah Pielhop, Carrie Wenzel, Shelly Lau
Also present were City Administrator Peter Wills, Public Works Director Andy Geiger, Police Chief Kirk Schend, and Park & Recreation Director Ann Marx, and Clerk/Treasurer Patricia Schreiber

GUESTS:

Mary Levash, Betty Nies, David Nordby, Justin Smith
Via Zoom: Brittany, Troy Paulson, Dan, Tammy Koehler

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion – Levash moved to approve the agenda as printed and circulated. Seconded by Wenzel. 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 Edinger 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”. He asked to respect others you have the floor.

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

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

Moehr nominated Sarah Pielhop as City Council President. Mayor Smith for any other nominations. None given.

Motion – Levash moved to closed nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Sarah Pielhop as the City Council President. Seconded by Wenzel. Call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

Sarah Pielhop was elected as City Council President.

SEATING OF THE COUNCIL

Smith asked Pielhop to sit to his right. Moehr was asked to move next to Levash. Smith asked that everyone remain in these seats for the 2021-2022 Council Meetings. Will be looking at using a speaking order moving forward which is something that will be added as a work session in May.

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS:

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

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

Boards & Commissions

- Plan Commission – 3-year term – Lonnie Puskala, Gerry Sonnabend
- Park & Recreation Commission – 4 yr. term – 2nd Alternate – Betty Nies
- Police & Fire Commission-
- Board of Appeals – 3-year term – Dan Farrell, Mel Edinger
- Water & Sewer Utility Commission – 5-year term – Jeff Wittmann
- Cemetery Commission – 4-year term – Mary Levash
- Redevelopment Authority Commission – 5-year term – David Sonnabend
- Committee of the Whole – Council members
- Adhoc Tourism Committee – 1 Year Terms -Amy Myers, Aaron Kabat, Jennifer “Louie” Lecker,

Motion – Pielhop moved to collectively confirm Mayor Edinger’s appointment of the Boards and Commission as presented with the amendment of Police & Fire Committee instead of Police & Fire Commission. Seconded by Hanson. Call taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

ELECTION OF CITY COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVES ON BOARDS & COMMISSIONS:

- Board of Review – Joe Levash, Joe Behnke, Sarah Pielhop (3 Alderpersons Appointed by the Mayor Annually)
- Cemetery Commission -Carrie Wenzel
- Library Board -TJ Moehr
- Plan Commission -Sarah Pielhop
- Park & Recreation Commission -Tim Hanson
- Redevelopment Authority -Joe Behnke
- Adhoc Tourism Committee -Shelly Lau
- Water & Sewer Utility Commission -Joe Levash

Motion – Hanson moved to approve the appointment of Council Representatives on Boards & Commission as listed collectively. Seconded by Levash. Call taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

HEALTH OFFICER – CALUMET COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

Motion –Pielhop moved to confirm Mayor Edinger’s appointment of the Calumet County Health Department as the City’s Health Officer. Seconded by Behnke. Call vote. Motion carried unanimously.

WEED COMMISSIONER:

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

DESIGNATION OF OFFICAL NEWSPAPER (BRILLION NEWS):

Motion – Pielhop moved to confirm Mayor Smith’s appointment of the Brillion News as the City’s official newspaper. Seconded by Wenzel. Call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

DESIGNATION OF PUBLIC DEPOSITORIES:

State Bank of Chilton
Verve – A Credit Union
Collins State Bank

Motion – Behnke moved to collectively confirm Mayor Smith’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 Levash. Call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

APPROVAL TO UPDATE COMMISSIONS AND BOARD MEMBERS, COUNCIL MEMBERS & MAYOR ON CITY WEBSITE AND APPROVAL TO PUBLISH:

Wills explained new handouts were given tonight. There has been one more change with the addition of Wenzel’s phone number. Wills asked Council members for updated information when address or phone numbers do change.

Motion – Pielhop moved to update the Commissions and Board Members, City Council Members and Mayor on City Website and approve to publish as amended by Wills. Seconded by Lau. Call vote taken. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS:

None.

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

Mayor Smith thanked both Mel Edinger and Betty Nies for their decades of service to the City of Brillion. Smith is excited to step in and help as much as he can working with this Council.

The City of Brillion has been very fortunate to have members of the community that want to do this. Mayor Smith’s biggest call is to other members of the Community to get involved. Having residents fill out the Talent Bank Questionnaire.

Mayor Smith’s future goals would be to monitoring spending, building reserves, and improving relationships with the department heads. Department heads are used in the budget decision making process. We need to work together in this area because no one person has all the answers but together we are going to get a lot closer. Mayor Smith plans to start with these and build from there.

CITIZEN INPUT:

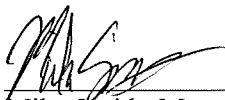
None.

PRESS TIME:

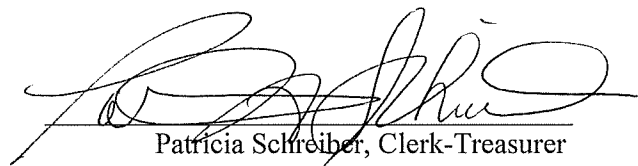
None.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Edinger adjourned the meeting 6:22 PM.



Mike Smith, Mayor



Patricia Schreiber, Clerk-Treasurer