

**REORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
“NEW COUNCIL”
Minutes**

April 19, 2022

Brillion City Center

6:00 PM

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Mike Smith called the meeting to order at 6:28 PM with the Pledge of Allegiance recited by those present.

Oath of Office were administered for Alderperson at Large TJ Moehr, Joe Behnke, Ruben Piepenburg, and Kory Davis by Clerk/Treasurer Patricia Schreiber

ROLL CALL:

Present were Mayor Mike Smith, Alderpersons Joe Behnke, Tim Hanson, Joe Levash, TJ Moehr, Shelly Lau, Ruben Piepenburg and Kory Davis
Also present were Police Chief Kirk Schend, Public Works Director Austen Frederickson, Park & Recreation Director Ann Marx, Library Director Lydia Dill and Clerk/Treasurer Patricia Schreiber

GUESTS: David Nordby, Kim Davis, Dan Farrell (via Zoom)

APPROVAL OF AGENDA:

Motion – Levash moved to approve the agenda as printed and circulated. Seconded by Lau. Call vote taken. 7 votes cast. 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 Smith 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 Smith opened the City Council floor for nominations for City Council President.
Lau nominated Behnke as City Council President. Mayor Smith asked for any other nominations. None given.

Motion – Hanson moved to closed nominations and cast a unanimous ballot for Behnke as the City Council President. Seconded by Levash. Call vote taken. 6 votes in favor. Behnke abstained. Motion carried unanimously.

Joe Behnke was elected as City Council President. Oath of Office was administered by Schreiber.

SEATING OF THE COUNCIL

Smith asked Behnke to sit to his right.

Smith asked that everyone remain in these seats for the 2022-2023 Council Meetings.

MAYOR’S APPOINTMENTS:

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

Motion – Lau moved to approve the appointment of Burnett, McDermott, Jahn & King, & DesRochers, LLP/Menn Law Firm Ltd as the City Attorney for the City of Brillion. Seconded by Hanson. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

Motion – Behnke moved to approve the appointment of Patricia Schreiber as the City Clerk/Treasurer for the City of Brillion. Seconded by Hanson. Roll call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

Boards & Commissions

Plan Commission – 3-year term – Zane Zander

Park & Recreation Commission – 4 yr. term – Dennis Miller

Police & Fire Committee – Gerald Sonnabend

Board of Appeals – 3-year term – Craig Orth, Larry Van Frachen

Water & Sewer Utility Commission – 5-year term – Russ Boldt

Brillion Housing Authority-

Cemetery Commission – 4-year term – Joan Holzschuh

Redevelopment Authority Commission – 5-year term – Matthew Bennett

Committee of the Whole – Council members

Adhoc Tourism Committee – 1 Year Terms -Amy Myers, Angela Jellum, Vindhi Patel, Lindsay Johnson, Aaron Kabat, Jennifer “Louie” Lecker,

Finance and Purchasing Committee

Protections of Persons and Property

Motion – Lau moved to collectively confirm Mayor Smith’s appointment of the Boards and Commission as presented. 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, Tim Hanson (3 Alderpersons Appointed by the Mayor Annually)

Cemetery Commission -Ruben Piepenburg

Library Board -TJ Moehr

Plan Commission -Joe Behnke

Park & Recreation Commission -Tim Hanson

Redevelopment Authority -Kory Davis

Adhoc Tourism Committee -Shelly Lau

Water & Sewer Utility Commission -Joe Levash

Finance and Purchasing Committee – Council President

Protections of Persons and Property – TJ Moehr

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

HEALTH OFFICER – CALUMET COUNTY HEALTH DEPARTMENT:

Motion – Behnke moved to confirm Mayor Smith’s appointment of the Calumet County Health Department as the City’s Health Officer. Seconded by Piepenburg. Call vote. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

WEED COMMISSIONER:

Motion – Lau moved to confirm Mayor Smith’s appointment of Austen Frederickson as the City’s Weed Commissioner. Seconded by Piepenburg. Call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously. Oath of Office was administered by Schreiber.

DESIGNATION OF OFFICAL NEWSPAPER (BRILLION NEWS):

Motion – Lau moved to confirm Mayor Smith’s appointment of the Brillion News as the City’s official newspaper. Seconded by Piepenburg. 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 – Hanson 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 Behnke. 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:

New council member handouts were given tonight. Council members were asked to notify the City when address or phone numbers change.

Motion – Hanson moved to update the Commissions and Board Members, City Council Members and Mayor on City Website and approve to publish. Seconded by Piepenburg. Call vote taken. 7 votes cast. Motion carried unanimously.

NEW BUSINESS: Received an email for open house at PPI for June 22, 2022. More details to follow.

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

Currently in process of looking for a new city administrator.

Mayor Smith’s goals include continuing with financial responsibilities, improve the reserve percentage, continue to embrace growth, still needed of the box solutions, general positivity and transparency.

Mayor Smith welcomed Davis and Piepenburg. Also welcomed back Behnke and Moehr.

CITIZEN INPUT: None

PRESS TIME: None

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting 6:49 PM.

Patricia Schreiber
Clerk-Treasurer