

ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

in Council Chambers @ 6:00 p.m.

January 9,

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1. **CALL TO ORDER.**

Director of Law Raber: It is now 6:02 p.m. and I would call to order the Tallmadge City Council Organizational meeting.

2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE.**

3. **ROLL CALL:** Mrs. Kilway, Mrs. Allman, Mr. Sisak, Mr. Donovan, Mr. Bollas, Mr. Carano, Mr. Loughry – Present. Everyone is present this evening.

4. **ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL.**

Dir. of Law: I would like to call for nominations for the office of President of Council.

Mr. Sisak: Madame Chair, I would like to nominate Carol Kilway for President of Council. Seconded Mr. Carano.

Dir. of Law: Thank you. Carol Kilway has been nominated for President. Are there any further nominations for President?

Mr. Bollas: I nominate Dennis Loughry.

Dir. of Law: Thank you. Dennis Loughry has been nominated for President. Are there any further nominations for President?

Mr. Loughry: I second that just in case there is a need.

Dir. of Law: There is not but thank you. Are there any further nominations for President?

Mr. Sisak: Would you like a nomination to close?

Dir. of Law: I do not need a motion to close if there are no further nominations. Hearing none; I will close the nominations. You are going to vote aye if you are in favor and you will vote no if you are not. All those in favor of Carol Kilway for President of Council; please signify by saying aye. All those opposed, please signify by saying no.

Mr. Loughry: No.

Mr. Bollas: No.

Dir. of Law: I am going to call for a count and so I would ask those in favor of Carol Kilway to raise your hand, so I am able to note officially who is in favor. You can please raise your hands. I will not that Ms. Kilway, Ms. Allman, Mr. Sisak, Mr. Donovan, and Mr. Carano are all in favor and it will be noted then that in opposition, if you can please raise your hand; that Mr. Bollas and Mr. Loughry are opposed. Thank you.

Therefore, the ayes have it and Carol Kilway is elected President and so you may assume the chair at this point.

5. **ELECTION OF MEMBER OF COUNCIL TO SERVE AS VICE PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL.**

Pres. of Council: Thank you very much and thank you for the support; I appreciate it. Thank you very much; I really appreciate the vote of confidence. Up next is the election of a member of Council to serve as Vice President of Council. I will open the nominations with a nomination for Craig Sisak to be Vice President of Council. Are there any other nominations for Vice President of Council?

Mr. Loughry: I nominate Becky Allman.

Pres. of Council: OK, so we have a nomination of Craig Sisak and Becky Allman for Vice President of Council. We will vote in the same way that Mrs. Raber did before. All of those . . . is there any other nominations? No one responded. OK; I will close the nominations at this time and all those that would like Craig Sisak to . . . would like to vote for Craig Sisak as Vice President of Council; indicate by saying aye and please raise your hand. We have ayes of Mr. Carano, Mr. Bollas, Mr. Donovan, Mr. Sisak and Becky Allman. Those that would like Becky Allman to be the Vice President of Council; please indicate by saying aye.

Dir. of Law: Madame President, you don't need to take that vote if the majority has indicated that they are in favor of Mr. Sisak.

Mr. Loughry: Right, but I think that . . .

Dir. of Law: You do need to take the opposing vote; right.

Pres. of Council: So, all of those that would vote as a nae for Mr. Sisak; please . . . and it is indicated with Mr. Loughry's hand as being raised. So, Mr. Sisak, with a vote of . . . and I was an aye; I am so sorry; myself was for Mr. Sisak, so the vote of 6-1; **Mr. Sisak is Vice President of Council.**

6. **ELECTION OF CLERK OF COUNCIL.**

Pres. of Council: Do we have a nomination for Clerk of Council?

Mr. Loughry: I nominate Susan Burton.

Pres. of Council: Anyone else? Are there any other nominations? Can we just go down the line and say yes or no, or do you need . . .

Dir. of Law: You can just do it by voice vote. You only need to call for a count if you need to have a count to . . . know for certain.

Pres. of Council: OK. All those in favor of Mrs. Burton as being our Clerk of Council indicate by saying aye. All voted aye. Anyone opposed? No one responded. Susan, you got your job back.

7. **ELECTION OF DEPUTY CLERK OF COUNCIL.**

Pres. of Council: The election of Deputy Clerk of Council. Is there a nomination please?

Mr. Loughry: I nominate Regina Conti.

Pres. of Council: Are there any further nominations for Clerk of Council (Deputy Clerk)? All of those that would like to elect Regina Conti as Deputy Clerk of Council please indicate by saying aye. All voted aye. Any opposed? No one responded. Gina; you got your job back too. Thank you.

Mr. Loughry: Mrs. Kilway, I have a question. So, and again, I am probably wrong, but I would view this as a new appointment; just like any other applicant would get a new job and would think that there may be discretion on Council's part to each of their positions being placed on the grid.

Pres. of Council: I don't know if that has ever been discussed before.

Dir. of Law: Are they are on the grid?

Mr. Loughry: They are on; they are on, but in my mind, this is a new appointment by a new appointing authority and there could be; there could be discretion on what they make in this term.

Dir. of Law: So, I would say we would need to take a look at the . . . there is an ordinance that might give us some direction on that, which I don't have readily available; it is the non-collective bargaining ordinance that indicates what bands people are on and I think that there may be some language there and so we will look to that and there is a possibility . . .

Mayor: (Inaudible; microphone not on).

Dir. of Law: There are various . . .

Mr. Loughry: Just a question.

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Dir. of Law: There is various language there, but we can take a look at it. That is a great question and that may be possible, I don't know; we'll take a look.

Pres. of Council: Great question; thank you Mr. Loughry.

8. ASSIGNMENT OF COMMITTEES.

Pres. of Council: Next are the assignment of committees and I do have a list of committees and which ones I would like everyone to be at and then when I am done listing it, Gina, if you could come up and maybe make some copies of this so everyone has it; that would be great.

- **FINANCE:** Craig Sisak, Chair, Jim Donovan, Vice-Chair, Mike Carano – member. I believe there is no change from last year on that.
- **PLANNING & ZONING:** Jim Donovan is Chair, Craig Sisak is Vice-Chair, Dennis Loughry – member. I do believe there is a change on that Dennis.
- **PERSONNEL:** Mike Carano, Chair, Becky Allman, Vice-Chair, Jonathon Bollas – member.
- **COMMUNITY ISSUES:** Dennis Loughry, Chair, Jonathon Bollas, Vice-Chair. Becky Allman – member.
- **SAFETY:** Jonathon Bollas, Chair, Mike Carano, Vice-Chair, Craig Sisak – member.
- **PUBLIC SERVICE:** Becky Allman, Chair, Dennis Loughry, Vice-Chair, Jim Donovan – member.

Pres. of Council: So, if you can make copies of this; it has the last two years and these committee assignments are for the next two years.

9. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON TO RICHARDSON TRUST FUND.

Pres. of Council: Last term the Chair was Mr. Craig Sisak and Mr. Sisak; would you like to remain the Chair of that?

Mr. Sisak: That's fine.

Pres. of Council: These are all appointments that I make or can we vote on these or . . . ?

Dir. of Law: I think typically you have taken a vote of just again; you can just do voice votes for all of these.

Pres. of Council: OK; that is what I wasn't sure of. Thank you.

Dir. of Law: You can ask for nominations for all of these. It is kind of more informative to let you know who the previous members were.

Pres. of Council: OK. Is there anybody else who has an interest of being the Chairperson of the Richardson Trust Fund at this time? No one responded. OK, so we will take a voice vote real quick. All in favor of Mr. Craig Sisak being the Chairperson of the Richardson Trust Fund; indicate by saying aye. All voted aye. Any opposed? No one responded. OK, Mr. Sisak you are again the Chair.

10. APPOINTMENT OF TWO FIREFIGHTERS TO SERVE ON THE FIRE FIGHTERS' DEPENDENTS FUND

The ones that were chosen are Seth Dowler and Joe Rienzi. I believe those are chosen by the association.

Mr. Sisak: Do you need a motion on that?

Dir. of Law: You have to ratify that.

Mr. Sisak: So moved.

Pres. of Council: So, there is a motion; is there a second?

Mr. Donovan: Second.

Pres. of Council: All in favor; aye. Any opposed. The motion passes by a vote of 6-0 (she meant 7-0).

11. APPOINTMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS' DEPENDENTS FUND CHAIRPERSON.

Pres. of Council: I was the Chair for the past two years. Is there anybody that would like to nominate anybody or move to approve anybody?

Mr. Sisak: I move to nominate Carol Kilway as the Chairperson. Seconded Mr. Donovan.

Pres. of Council: Thank you. That is very near and dear to my heart as you all know. Anybody else? No one responded. All those in favor of myself, Carol Kilway, being the Chairperson of the Firefighters' Dependents' Fund signify by saying aye. Any opposed? The motion has passed.

12. APPOINTMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS' DEPENDENTS FUND SECRETARY.

Pres. of Council: The last term it was Craig Sisak. Are there any motions? I would move to appoint Craig Sisak as Secretary of the Firefighters' Dependents Fund. Is there any other motion? No one responded. All those in favor of Mr. Craig Sisak being the Secretary of the Firefighters' Fund indicate by saying aye. Any opposed; indicate by saying no. So approved.

13. APPOINTMENT OF FIRE FIGHTERS' DEPENDENTS FUND AT-LARGE MEMBER.

Pres. of Council: Mr. Chip Billow was the member last year.

Mr. Donovan: I moved to keep Chip Billow as the At-Large member. Seconded Mrs. Allman. Are there any other nominations? No one responded. All those in favor indicate by saying aye. Any opposed? No one responded. He has been appointed as well.

Pres. of Council: Is there anything else to come before the Organization meeting at this time? No one responded.

14. ADJOURNMENT: Mr. Carano moved to adjourn. Seconded Mr. Donovan. Voice vote 7-0. **The Organizational meeting of 1-9-20 adjourned at 6:16 p.m.**

Susan E. Burton, Clerk of Council

Carol A. Kilway, President of Council