

City of Aurora, Ohio
CITY COUNCIL
ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING MINUTES
January 4, 2016

The Council of the City of Aurora, Ohio met in Council Chambers at City Hall on Monday, January 4, 2016 to hold its Organizational Meeting. Councilman John Kudley called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

ROLL CALL

Present: Reva Barner
Kathi Grandillo
Harold Hatridge
George Horvat
Dennis Kovach
John Kudley, Jr.
Amy McDougald
James Vaca

Absent: George Horvat

Also Present: Dean DePiero, Law Director
Ann Womer Benjamin, Mayor
Karen Aldredge, Chief of Staff
John Trew, Director of Public Services
Andrew Lumpkins, Police Lieutenant
Donna Hawks, Clerk of Council
Colleen Martin, Deputy Clerk of Council

APPROVAL OF GROUND RULES

MOTION: To approve the Ground Rules

Mr. Wolf moved; Ms. Grandillo seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mr. Kudley opened the floor for Council President Nominations. Mr. Wolf nominated Mr. Horvat. There were no other nominations for Council President therefore, Mr. Kudley closed the nominations.

VOTE FOR COUNCIL PRESIDENT: Mr. Horvat was elected Council President by roll call vote of 8-0.

AYES: Barner, Grandillo, Hatridge, Kovach, Kudley, McDougald, Vaca, Wolf

NAYS: None

ELECTION OF COUNCIL VICE PRESIDENT

Mr. Kudley opened the floor for Council Vice President Nominations. Mr. Hatridge nominated Mr. Kovach. There were no other nominations therefore, Mr. Kudley closed the nominations.

Vote for Council Vice President: Mr. Kovach was elected Council Vice President by a roll call vote of 8-0.

AYES: Barner, Grandillo, Hatridge, Kovach, Kudley, McDougald, Vaca, Wolf

NAYS: None

ELECTION OF PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE

Mr. Kudley opened the floor for Planning Commission Representative nominations. Mr. Hatridge nominated Ms. Grandillo. There were no other nominations therefore, Mr. Kudley closed the nominations.

Vote for Planning Commission Representative: Ms. Grandillo was elected Planning Commission

Representative by a roll call vote of 8-0.

AYES: Barner, Grandillo, Hatridge, Kovach, Kudley, McDougald, Vaca, Wolf
NAYS: None

APPOINTMENT OF CLERK OF COUNCIL

MOTION: To appoint Ms. Donna Hawks as Clerk of Council

Mr. Hatridge moved; Ms. Grandillo seconded. The motion carried on an 8-0 roll call vote.

AYES: Barner, Grandillo, Hatridge, Kovach, Kudley, McDougald, Vaca, Wolf
NAYS: None

APPOINTMENT OF FULL-TIME DEPUTY CLERK OF COUNCIL

MOTION: To appoint Ms. Colleen Martin as Full-time Deputy Clerk of Council

Mr. Kudley moved; Mr. Hatridge seconded. The motion carried on an 8-0 roll call vote.

AYES: Barner, Grandillo, Hatridge, Kovach, Kudley, McDougald, Vaca, Wolf
NAYS: None

SWEARING IN OF THE COUNCIL PRESIDENT & VICE PRESIDENT, PLANNING COMMISSION REPRESENTATIVE, CLERK OF COUNCIL & DEPUTY CLERK OF COUNCIL

Mr. DePiero administered oaths of office to Council Vice President Dennis Kovach, Planning Commission Representative Kathi Grandillo, Clerk of Council Donna Hawks, and Deputy Clerk of Council Colleen Martin.

ELECTION OF COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Kudley opened the floor for Committee of the Whole Chairman Nominations. Mr. Wolf nominated Mr. Kudley. There were no other nominations therefore, Mr. Kudley closed the nominations.

Vote for Committee of the Whole Chairman: Mr. Kudley was elected Committee of the Whole Chairman by a roll call vote of 8-0

AYES: Barner, Grandillo, Hatridge, Kovach, Kudley, McDougald, Vaca, Wolf
NAYS: None

ELECTION OF THE COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE VICE CHAIRMAN

Mr. Kudley opened the floor for Committee of the Whole Vice Chairman Nominations. Mr. Kovach nominated Mr. Hatridge. There were no other nominations; therefore, Mr. Kudley closed the nominations.

Vote for Committee of the Whole Vice Chairman: Mr. Hatridge was elected Committee of the Whole Vice Chairman by a roll call vote of 8-0.

ASSIGNMENT OF COUNCIL MEMBERS TO COMMITTEES, BOARDS, COMMISSIONS & LIAISONS

Ms. Hawks read the selections of the Council members in order of seniority and Ms. Martin recorded them. *(See the attached spreadsheet)*

AYES: Barner, Grandillo, Hatridge, Kovach, Kudley, McDougald, Vaca, Wolf
NAYS: None

APPROVAL OF 2019-2017 COUNCIL ASSIGNMENTS

MOTION: To approve the 2016-2017 City Council Committee Assignments

Mr. Vaca moved; Mr. Wolf seconded. The motion carried on a unanimous voice vote.

AMENDMENTS TO COUNCIL RULES

Mr. Kudley noted that Council Rules need to be adopted by the first meeting in March 2016. He asked the members to advise the Clerk of Council of any proposed amendments they would like discussed or considered.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: To adjourn

Mr. Vaca moved; Ms. Barner seconded. The motion carried on an 8-0 roll call vote.

AYES: Barner, Grandillo, Hatridge, Kovach, Kudley, McDougald, Vaca, Wolf

NAYS: None

The meeting was adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

John Kudley, Councilman at Large
(Mr. Kudley conducted the meeting in the
absence of Council President Mr. Horvat)

Donna Hawks, Clerk of Council