

**CITY OF HARTFORD
COMMON COUNCIL**

April 19, 2022

The Common Council of the City of Hartford, Washington and Dodge Counties, Wisconsin, met for its regularly scheduled meeting on Tuesday, April 19, 2022 7:00 p.m., in the Common Council Chambers of Hartford City Hall, 109 North Main Street, Mayor Timothy Michalak presiding.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Michalak led the Common Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

All Alderpersons were present.

OATH OF OFFICE

City Clerk Lori Hetzel administered the oath of office to Mayor Michalak and Alderpersons Fulop, Rusniak, and Webb.

NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF COUNCIL PRESIDENT

Mayor Michalak called for nominations for Council President. Alderperson Kohler nominated Alderperson Rusniak, who accepted. Alderperson Fulop nominated Alderperson Kohler, who accepted. Alderperson Rusniak nominated Alderperson Hegy, who accepted. Votes were cast in a secret ballot.

Votes were counted as follows:

Hegy: 6 votes

Kohler: 3 votes

MAYOR'S APPOINTMENTS TO BOARDS, COMMISSIONS, COMMITTEES AND STANDING COMMITTEES

Mayor Michalak announced that the Council would be voting on the Standing Committees only at this meeting; the other Boards, Commissions and Committees would be voted on during the next meeting.

MOTION by Alderperson Carroll, seconded by Alderperson Sikora approving the mayoral appointment of the following Standing Committees: Finance & Personnel, Public Works, and Utility.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

UNANIMOUS CONSENT AGENDA

MOTION by Alderperson Hegy, seconded by Alderperson Garza approving the Common Council minutes of April 12, 2022.

MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

APPEARANCES/CITIZENS COMMENTS

Laura Jossart, 3295 Drumlin Dr., appeared to relay her disappointment in the Common Council regarding their response to the incidents with Mayor Michalak. She referenced an online publication and how the article that was published brought embarrassment to the city and its residents. She also referenced that the County Supervisory Board requested that Mayor Michalak resign or be statutorily removed, which he chose to resign. She requested that the Common Council also request that Mayor Michalak resign from his mayoral duties.

Terrence Perfect, 635 Yosemite Ave., appeared to express similar concerns. He stated that the news coverage has spread even further than just the state and it is not a flattering light for the city to be in. He is also requesting that the Common Council request that Mayor Michalak resign.

Scott Henke, 81 Hidden Creek View, appeared and thanked the voters who voted for write-in candidates. He stated that Mayor Michalak's actions and reactions tarnished the city and embarrassed the city's previous mayors. He challenged the Common Council to restore the integrity to regain the momentum that was disturbed by a leader of our city.

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MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Michalak read the National Arbor Day proclamation.

ALDERMANIC REQUESTS

Aldersperson Hegy stated that the citizen comments were noted. He also reported that the Mid-Moraine Legislative Committee met on April 13th, and with Representatives Brooks and Gundrum discussed the future of the Wisconsin Tax Code. There are some changes expected after the fall election. He also reported that the Hartford Area Chamber of Commerce will meet on April 20th to discuss the summer events.

Aldersperson Kohler thanked the citizens who came up and spoke during the meeting. He also made comments regarding the citizens who have taken to social media to voice their opinions. He hopes those people can take a look at the bigger picture, keep their opinions off of social media, and if necessary reach out and contact the Council members.

Aldersperson Webb also thanked the citizens who came up and spoke during the meeting. He also encouraged all discourse about the subject, in any forum. He believes that hearing citizen input is the main function of the Common Council and that input will only make the community better.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION by Aldersperson Sikora, seconded by Aldersperson Turchi for adjournment at 7:21 p.m.
MOTION CARRIED UNANIMOUSLY.

Respectfully submitted,
Lori Hetzel, City Clerk

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