

**Common Council
Organizational Meeting**

Tuesday, April 21, 2015

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1 The Common Council Organizational Meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. on Tuesday,
2 April 21, 2015. It was noted that the meeting had been announced and a notice posted at City
3 Hall.

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5 Roll call was taken, with the following members present: Mayor Joe Chilsen, Ald. Jim Binash,
6 Ald. Jim Bialecki, Ald. Barry Blomquist, Ald. Jim Olson, Ald. Harvey Bertrand, Ald. Bob Muth

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8 Also Present: City Clerk Cari Burmaster, City Engineer Jarrod Holter. Financial Services
9 Director/Treasurer Fred Buehler, Land Use and Development Director Brea Grace

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12 **Item 2 – Pledge of Allegiance**

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14 The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

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16 **Item 3 – Approval of minutes from previous meeting**

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18 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Blomquist, to approve the minutes from the previous
19 meeting as printed and on file in the City Clerk’s Office.

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21 On voice vote, motion carried.

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23 **Item 4 – Public Input: (limited to 3 minutes/individual)**

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25 Mayor Chilsen called three times for anyone wishing to provide public input and closed that
26 portion of the meeting.

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28 **Item 5 – Oath of Office for newly elected officials**

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30 For the Office of First District Alderperson, Cari asked Ald. Binash to raise his right hand and
31 repeat the following: *“I, Jim Binash, having been elected to the Office of First District
32 Alderperson, swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution
33 of the State of Wisconsin, and will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of said office to
34 the best of my ability, so help me God.”*

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36 For the Office of Second District Alderperson, Cari asked Ald. Bialecki to raise his right hand
37 and repeat the following: *“I, Jim Bialecki, having been elected to the Office of Second District
38 Alderperson, swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution
39 of the State of Wisconsin, and will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of said office to
40 the best of my ability, so help me God.”*

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42 For the Office of Third District Alderperson, Cari asked Ald. Blomquist to raise his right hand

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43 and repeat the following: *“I, Barry Blomquist, having been elected to the Office of Third District*
44 *Aldersperson, swear that I will support the Constitution of the United States and the Constitution*
45 *of the State of Wisconsin, and will faithfully and impartially discharge the duties of said office to*
46 *the best of my ability, so help me God.”*

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48 **Item 6 – Recognition of public service by standing boards and committees**

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50 Mayor Chilsen said, “I would like to thank Erik [outgoing First District Aldersperson Erik
51 Sjolander] because he’s here and Jack [outgoing Third District Aldersperson Jack Pogreba] in
52 absentia and all other people who have served on boards, committees and advisory councils for
53 the hard work that they’ve put in on behalf of the City of Onalaska. It’s not an easy job ... [but]
54 they do it because of their deep dedication and commitment to the City of Onalaska, and we
55 appreciate that. So I applaud all the people who have served the committee so dutifully.”

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57 **Item 7 – Election of a Council President**

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59 Motion by Ald. Muth, second by Ald. Bertrand, to nominate and elect Ald. Jim Bialecki as
60 Council President.

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62 Mayor Chilsen called for any other nominations.

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64 On voice vote, motion carried.

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66 **Item 8 – Appointments to standing committees, boards, commissions, and other committees**

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68 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Olson, to approve the appointments to standing
69 committees, boards, commissions, and other committees.

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71 Cari noted that the list of appointments distributed to the Council Tuesday evening is an updated
72 list and different than one included in Council members’ packets.

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74 On voice vote, motion carried.

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76 **Item 9 – Resolution 28-2015 – Public Depositories**

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78 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Muth, to approve Resolution 28-2015 – Public
79 Depositories.

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81 On voice vote, motion carried.

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85 **Adjournment**

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87 Motion by Ald. Bialecki, second by Ald. Blomquist, to adjourn at 7:08 p.m.

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89 On voice vote, motion carried.

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92 Recorded by:

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