CITY OF MERRILL

COMMON COUNCIL

MINUTES ● TUESDAY APRIL 21, 2020

Reorganizational Meeting **Virtual Meeting** **6:00 PM**

I. Call to Order

Mayor Woellner called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.

Note: This was a virtual meeting, with the majority of attendees participating remotely.

II. Silent Prayer

III. Pledge of Allegiance

IV. Roll Call for current Common Council

Roll call showed all Common Council members present with the exception of Alderman Norton, who was absent.

V. Public Comment Period

Mayor Woellner announced that public comment for this meeting would be held "open" until 4:30 P.M. on Friday, April 24th. People can submit comments to their alderperson, Mayor Woellner or City Administrator Johnson. There was no other public comment.

VI. Introduction of Common Council members

The Common Council members all introduced themselves.

VII. Roll Call for newly-elected Common Council

Roll call showed all Common Council members present.

VIII. Elections and Mayor's Appointments:

1. Elect President of the Common Council

Alderman Van Lieshout nominated Alderman Russell.

Alderman Sabatke nominated Alderman Hass, who then declined the nomination.

There were no other nominations.

On a voice vote, Alderman Russell was elected President of the Common Council.

2. Elect Alderperson member of the City Plan Commission

Alderman Osness nominated Alderman Hass.

There were no other nominations.

On a voice vote, Alderman Hass was elected to be the Alderperson member of the City Plan Commission.

3. Mayor's Appointments of Alderpersons to City sub-committees

Mayor Woellner announced one amendment to the appointments, as follows: Alderman Weix to the Health and Safety Committee, rather than Alderman Hass.

Motion (Osness/Van Lieshout) to approve the appointments, including the amendment requested by Mayor Woellner.

RESULT:	**APPROVED**

4. Consider 60-day extension for citizen members serving on City sub-committees

Motion (Hass/Van Lieshout) to approve the 60-day extension.

RESULT:	**APPROVED**

IX. Other Agenda Item(s):

1. Consider Small Business Emergency Support Program.

Information was in the meeting packet.

City Administrator Johnson provided additional verbal details on the program.

Motion (Hass/Van Lieshout) to approve the program as presented. Carried.

Community Development Program Coordinator Shari Wicke, City Administrator Johnson and Mayor Woellner were authorized to review and make decisions on all applications.

X. Resolutions:

1. A Resolution designating official newspaper for the City of Merrill.

WHEREAS, Section 985.03 of the Wisconsin Statutes requires the designation of an official newspaper for the printing of all the City's Official Business; and,

WHEREAS, the Merrill FotoNews has qualified for such designation.

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERRILL, WISCONSIN this 21st day of April, 2020, that the Merrill FotoNews of Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin, shall be and is hereby designated, until further action, as the official newspaper for the City of Merrill.

Motion (Hass/Rick) to approve.

RESULT:	**APPROVED**

2. A Resolution designating official depositories for the City of Merrill.

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE COMMON COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF MERRILL, WISCONSIN this 21st day of April, 2020, that the following financial institutions shall be qualified as public depositories under Chapter 34 of the Wisconsin Statutes, and shall be and hereby are designated until further action as public depositories for all public monies coming into the hands of the Treasurer for the City of Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin:

BMO Harris Bank, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin
mBank, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin
incrediblebank, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin
Local Government Investment Pool, State of Wisconsin Treasurer
Merrill Community Bank - Branch of Tomahawk Community Bank, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin
Park City Credit Union, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin
Associated Bank, N.A., Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin
Edward Jones, Merrill, Lincoln County, Wisconsin

Motion (Russell/Rick) to approve.

RESULT:	**APPROVED**

XI. Mayor's Address

Mayor Woellner reminded everyone that, due to the May 12th election, the next regular Common Council meeting has been postponed until Wednesday, May 13th.

In light of the COVID-19 virus, Mayor Woellner urged everyone to vote absentee.

XII. Adjournment

Motion (Osness/Van Lieshout) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 6:39 P.M.