



CITY OF MERRILL

COMMON COUNCIL

MINUTES • TUESDAY NOVEMBER 10, 2020

Regular Meeting

City Hall Council Chambers

6:00 PM

1. Call to Order

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

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Paul Russell	Aldersperson - First District	Remote	
Steve Hass	Aldersperson - Second District	Present	
Rick Blake	Aldersperson - Third District	Remote	
Steve Osness	Aldersperson - Fourth District	Present	
John M. Van Lieshout	Aldersperson - Fifth District	Present	
Mike Rick	Aldersperson - Sixth District	Present	
Mark Weix	Aldersperson - Seventh District	Present	
Steve Sabatke	Alderman - Eighth District	Present	
Derek Woellner	Mayor	Present	

2. Silent Prayer

3. Pledge of Allegiance

4. Roll Call

5. Public Comment Period

None.

6. Minutes of previous Common Council meeting(s):

1. Minutes of October 13, 2020 meeting and October 29, 2020 meeting

Motion (Hass/Van Lieshout) to approve.

RESULT: APPROVED

7. Revenue & Expense Reports(s):

1. Revenue & Expense Report for the Period Ending October 31, 2020

Motion (Hass/Rick) to approve.

RESULT: APPROVED

8. Public Hearing(s):

1. Public Hearing on proposed 2021 Budget

Motion (Russell/Van Lieshout) to open the public hearing. Carried.

Alderman Russell suggested that, in the future, if the COVID-19 pandemic continues, arrangements be made to allow the public to call in to meetings and provide input during public hearings.

Motion (Rick/Hass) to close the public hearing. Carried.

9. Ordinances:

1. An Ordinance Adopting the 2021 City of Merrill Budget and Establishing the Tax Levy for Year 2020

City Attorney Hayden gave the ordinance a first reading.

Motion (Van Lieshout/Weix) to suspend the rules and give the ordinance a second reading and a third reading by title only. Carried 5-3 on roll call vote. Voting No - Alderman Hass, Alderman Osness and Alderman Sabatke.

City Attorney Hayden give the ordinance a second reading and a third reading by title only.

Motion (Russell/Blake) to approve the ordinance. Roll call vote resulted in a 4-4 tie. Voting Yes - Alderman Russell, Alderman Blake, Alderman Van Lieshout and Alderman Weix. Mayor Woellner broke the tie by voting Yes. Therefore, the motion passed and the ordinance was approved.

10. General agenda items:

1. Employee Years of Service Recognition:

Tadd P. Wegener, 30 years (Fire Department)

City Clerk Heideman read a certificate of recognition for Tadd Wegener.

Scott P. Krause, 30 years (Fire Department)

City Clerk Heideman read a certificate of recognition for Scott Krause.

11. Placing Committee Reports on File:

1. Consider placing the following committee reports on file: Airport Commission, Library Board, Library Building & Grounds Committee, Merrill Enrichment Center Committee, Parks & Recreation Commission, and Zoning Board of Appeals.

Motion (Hass/Van Lieshout) to place on file.

RESULT:	PLACED ON FILE
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12. Resolutions:

None.

13. Mayor's Communications

None.

14. Adjournment

Motion (Van Lieshout/Rick) to adjourn. Carried. Adjourned at 6:12 P.M.