

MINUTES AD HOC COMMITTEE MEETING  
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL  
April 25, 2016

President Doug Joseph called the meeting to order at 8:34 PM

PRESENT: Joseph, Clemens, Cotner, Long, Skinner, Cicak, Luzader, Spalding  
ABSENT:

Approval of Minutes

- a. City Council – Ad Hoc Committee Meeting – April 11, 2016  
Minutes stand approved.

Approval of Agenda

Agenda stands approved.

Ad Hoc Committee to Review Chapter 160 & Council Rules

CHANGES IN THE CHAPTER 160.03 SALARY SCHEDULE.

Council President Joseph: We made all the final changes from previous discussions. The Chapter 160.03 document, you all have a copy of that. It represents a 7% increase. Any questions on this?

Motion to send to Finance Committee by Councilman  
Second by Councilman Long

Clerk called the roll as follows: Luzader "Aye", Spalding "Aye", Clemens "Aye", Cotner "Aye", Long "Aye", Skinner "Aye", Cicak "Aye".

Motion Carried

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED TO COMMITTEE</b>	<b>Next: 5/2/2016 7:30 PM</b>
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CHANGES TO COUNCIL RULES

Council President Joseph: We have made a lot of additional changes over the weeks. Any questions or concerns about our final document?

Ms. Beggerow: I did make one final change last week. On page 3, moving those definitions that were in Article 2 from the last item, to the first item in that section.

Councilman Long: So you moved all definitions to Section 1?

Ms. Beggerow: Not all definitions, just the ones that were in Article 2. They were previously on page 6.

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Council President Joseph: And that was the only change you have made. Any questions or problems with moving those definitions.

Councilman Skinner: Pro Tempore...

Council President Joseph: Yes, I think we had those incorporated. I think it is page 7, Article 3 Officers, Section 2, next senior member of Council should call meeting to order.

Councilman Skinner: Do we not want to have that the senior member serves that position?

Council President Joseph: You mean not just to call meeting to order but to chair? Whoever calls meeting to order technically has the authority to oversee the meeting. Mr. Hood, do you have any insight as to whether this is adequate language?

Mr. Hood: My recollection of the conversation was as to how we call the meeting to order. But, if you want them to serve as President Pro Tempore, or have the same authority as the President Pro Tempore, you could say it. But, I thought our conversation had more to do with how to convene a meeting without a presiding officer. So, I thought that is what we attempted to address.

Councilman Skinner: We lost the meeting minutes, right?

Ms. Beggerow: Yes. Do you hear all that crackling? We will find out tomorrow.

Councilman Skinner: My recommendation would be that the next senior member just step in as Pro Tempore. That way there is no guessing game and we can get right to the City business, that type of thing.

Council President Joseph: One question, how would you determine senior member in the case? Like this year where we had three people elected in the same election.

Councilman Skinner: I think that we start with at large and then you go 1,2,3,4.

Council President Joseph: We don't state that here. I am saying it is not there now.

Councilman Skinner: I think that was the discussion.

Council President Joseph: Is that getting too much into the minutiae of it?

Councilman Skinner: Maybe, but it also would eliminate potentially fifteen minutes of discussion back and forth, and lobbying. We have a pretty good collaborative group right now, but that does not mean it will always be that way. And, these have not been updated in twelve years. We might as well cut the bologna and get right to business. Those are my thoughts.

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Councilman Luzader: I think that will eliminate any confusion.

Attorney Hood: You could always create a second, Vice Pro Tempore, if you want to do that. Not to reinvent the wheel here, but that would eliminate any potential discussion on who is the senior member, when I was elected, when you were elected, that kind of stuff. I do not want to make a mountain out of a molehill, but if that is what we are concerned about, you could always call it Vice Pro Tempore. If that is what we are concerned about, and arguing for fifteen minutes about who calls the meeting to order, there are other organizations that have second Vice Presidents, and things of that sort. So, it is not unheard of. It is just that we have not done it here.

Council President Joseph: If we made that change here, we would also have to make a change in creating the position. I kinda like that idea though. That way Council votes on that at the same time that we vote on committees, President Pro Tempore. The only problem is, what if that person is missing too? Then you keep going down the pecking order.

Mr. Harris: The other thing you might consider doing is, you already have a hierarchy set up, President Pro Tempore, Finance Chair, Service Chair, Safety Chair, Community Development Chair.

Councilman Spalding: There you go. That way you don't have to have a name, you have the position. It doesn't matter when they were elected. It doesn't matter how old they were.

Attorney Hood: At some point, if all of these members are absent, we are meeting as Committee of the whole. Or we are not having a meeting because we do not have quorum. Once we go to far down, we may want to have a meeting, but we are not going to have one.

Council President Joseph: Why don't we amend this line to say, Finance Chairman, Service Chairman, Safety Chairman, Community Development Chairman, in that order, in the event we do not have the President or President Pro Tempore. How is that going to read back? We will have to amend that.

Ms. Beggerow: I will work on that later.

Council President Joseph: We can pass this as is tonight, if it looks good...

Ms. Beggerow: I will have it prepped and in your packets

Council President Joseph: We can amend it when Council takes this up in two weeks. We can amend at that time. Ok, let's do two votes, one for the 160 and one for the Rules. 160 will go to Finance Committee next week, which I am assuming will go one reading and to Council. And the Rules will go in two weeks. So, is there a motion to accept the 160 portion of the report?

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*(Vote to move to 160 Salary schedule to Finance Committee)*

Council President Joseph: So this item is approved by the Ad Hoc Committee and will be sent on to Finance Committee next week. Secondly, are the changes to the Rules. As we have them presented today, we can amend it in two weeks with that new language, but for tonight we can send it forward as is. Any questions or comments?

<b>RESULT:</b>	<b>REFERRED TO COUNCIL [UNANIMOUS]</b>	<b>Next: 5/9/2016 7:30 PM</b>
<b>MOVER:</b>	Chris Long, At Large	
<b>SECONDER:</b>	Mel Clemens, Ward IV	
<b>AYES:</b>	Clemens, Cotner, Long, Skinner, Cicak, Luzader, Spalding	

Adjournment

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Doug Joseph, President of Council

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April L. Beggerow, Clerk of Council