

CITY OF RIVER FALLS, WISCONSIN

COMMON COUNCIL ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING

April 15, 2008

Mayor Richards called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. in the Council Chambers in City Hall.

Members Present: Alderpersons Wayne Beebe; Tom Caflisch; David Cronk; Bob Ebert; Jim Nordgren; Mike Woolsey

Members Absent: Joleen Larson

Staff Present: Bernard Van Osdale, City Administrator; Bill Thiel, City Attorney; Reid Wronski, City Engineer; Tony Steiner, City Planner; Lanny Gleason, Public Works Superintendent; Lu Ann Hecht, City Clerk

Mayor Richards announced that Oaths of Office for the newly elected Council officials have been taken within the 10 days as required by *Wisconsin Statutes* for: Alderpersons at Large – David Cronk and Joleen Larson; Alderperson District 4 – Bob Ebert.

There was discussion by Council members about rotation on committees. Nordgren and Caflisch favored members being rotated to different committees; Cronk and Beebe both felt there was value in continuity and experience.

COUNCIL PRESIDENT

MS Cronk/Nordgren to nominate Beebe as Council President. MS Caflisch/Ebert to nominate Woolsey as Council President. Nominations closed. Motion carried to appoint Beebe as Council President as Cronk, Beebe, Nordgren and Woolsey all voted in favor of the appointment.

COMPTROLLER

MS Nordgren/Caflisch to nominate Woolsey as Comptroller. Cronk nominated Nordgren as Comptroller. Nominations closed. By a show of hands, Nordgren, Ebert and Caflisch all voted for Woolsey as Comptroller. By a show of hands, Beebe, Cronk and Woolsey voted for Nordgren as Comptroller. Mayor Richards broke the tie by voting for Nordgen as Comptroller.

PARLIAMENTARIAN

Mayor Richards appointed Beebe as Parliamentarian.

ELECTION OF COUNCIL MEMBER TO PLAN COMMISSION AND UTILITY COMMISSION

Woolsey nominated himself to the Plan Commission. Beebe nominated Cronk to Plan Commission. By a show of hands, Nordgren, Caflisch, and Woolsey all voted for Woolsey. By a show of hands, Cronk, Ebert and Beebe all voted for Cronk. Mayor Richards broke the tie by voting for Cronk to Plan Commission.

Cronk nominated Beebe to the Utility Commission. Caflisch nominated Woolsey to Utility Commission. Nominations closed. By a show of hands, Beebe and Cronk voted for Beebe as Utility Commission representative. By a show of hands, Caflisch, Ebert, Nordgren and Woolsey voted for Woolsey as Utility Commission representative. Woolsey was appointed to Utility Commission with a 4-2 vote.

APPOINTMENTS BY MAYOR/CONFIRMATION BY COUNCIL

Mayor Richards recommended the following appointments:

Ambulance Committee Jim Nordgren
MSC Beebe/Woolsey to approve appointment. Unanimous.

Historic Preservation Commission Bob Ebert
MSC Beebe/Woolsey to approve appointment. Unanimous.

Library Board Joleen Larson
MSC Cronk/Ebert to approve appointment. Unanimous.

