

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

The Common Council of the City of Ashland will meet as the Committee of the Whole on **August 31, 2021** immediately following the City Council meeting which begins at **5:30 PM** in the Ashland City Hall Council Chambers.

The following items will be considered:

1. Roll Call

The Tuesday, August 31, 2021 City of Ashland Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order by Council President Kevin Haas at 8:35 PM via GoTo Meetings.

Roll Call: Kevin Seefeldt, Laura Graf, Sarah Jackson, Anne Whiting, Ana Tochtermann, Eric Lindell, Kevin Haas, Charlie Ortman, Elizabeth Franek, Dick Pufall, Jackie Moore

Absent: None

Also Present: Mayor Deb Lewis, City Administrator Brant Kucera, City Clerk Denise Oliphant, Human Resources Director Jennifer Bouley, and other concerned citizens.

2. Council President's Report

Removed from the Agenda

3. Administrator's Report

Removed from the Agenda

4. Approval of Agenda

Lindell moved, seconded by Moore to approve the amended agenda to address only Item 6A as determined by Council due to time constraints. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

5. Committee Updates

Removed from the Agenda

6. Discussion Items

A. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Entering Contracting with a Broker of

Record for Employee Benefits, and for the Human Resources Director to Enter into Negotiations for Employee Health Insurance Benefits (Human Resources)

Presentations were given by Great Lakes Insurance Agency and M3 Insurance Solutions. Moore moved, seconded by Jackson to approve M3 Insurance Solutions as Broker of Record for employee health benefits for the City of Ashland, and continue with Great Lakes Insurance Agency for other coverages except property. After thorough discussion, Moore called the question, seconded by Tochtermann, and was approved by voice vote. The motion to approve as recommended and move the item to the September 14, 2021 City Council meeting passed by voice vote; opposed were Graf, Pufall, and Ortman.

B. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding a Possible Referendum Asking Voter Opinion on the Legalization of Marijuana (*Councilor Lindell*)

Removed from the Agenda

7. Adjournment

Moore moved, seconded by Lindell to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Oliphant,
City Clerk

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