

COMMITTEE OF THE WHOLE MEETING MINUTES

The Common Council of the City of Ashland will meet as the Committee of the Whole on **July 26, 2022** 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, July 26, 2022 City of Ashland Committee of the Whole Meeting was called to order by Council President Eric Lindell at 7:00 PM.

ROLL CALL: Kevin Seefeldt, Sarah Jackson, Ana Tochtermann, Eric Lindell, Laura Graf, Charlie Ortman, Dick Pufall.

ABSENT: None.

ALSO PRESENT: Mayor Matt MacKenzie, City Administrator Brant Kucera, City Clerk Denise Oliphant, City Attorney Tyler Wickman, and other concerned citizens.

2. Council President's Report

Lindell reminded Council of the listening session to be held on Wednesday July 27, 2022 beginning at 6:00 PM at the Council Chambers. He intends not to hold any Committee of the Whole meetings through the month of August, and mentioned the SRO agreement is coming due in the fall and discussions with the Police Chief were planned.

3. Administrator's Report

Kucera offered that there is a report posted to the City's website completed by the school resource officer (SRO). As the School District has a new superintendent, he plans to discuss this agreement and the MOU with him and the Police Chief. Kucera reported an update as to the use to date of the ARPA funds, and asked Council to offer any suggestions or projects of interest that could be included in the expenditure of these funds.

4. Approval of Agenda

Lindell recommended to strike Item 5 from the agenda. Ortman moved, seconded by Seefeldt to approve the amended agenda. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

5. Discussion Items

A. Presentation, Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Chapter 30 Code of Ethics, Ashland City Ordinances, and Wisconsin Statutes Chapter 19.59, Codes of Ethics (Mayor/City Attorney)

Wickman introduced WI Statute 19.59 Code of Ethics and discussed instances where Councilors should abstain from discussion and voting, and examples of conflicts of interest.

B. Items for Future Discussion

Ortman: asked to address the decline in Monarch butterflies, and how to become a "Monarch City."

Seefeldt: recommended to address the speed limit, or the noncompliance of, on USH 2 at the west end of town.

Pufall: asked if Councilors should submit a wish list for the ARPA fund spending.

MacKenzie: mentioned that he would be bringing forward potential amendments to Chapter 467, Ashland City Ordinances.

Seefeldt: reminded Councilors to RSVP to the Public Works facility open house.

6. Adjournment

Ortman moved, seconded by Seefeldt to adjourn. The motion carried unanimously by voice vote.

Respectfully Submitted,

Denise Oliphant,
City Clerk

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