



Council Minutes – Organizational Meeting

Tuesday, January 5, 2021

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Spalding called to order the New Albany City Organizational Council Meeting of January 5, 2021 at 6:30 p.m. at the New Albany Village Hall, 99 West Main Street, New Albany, Ohio. Staff attending were City Manager Joseph Stefanov, Finance Director Bethany Staats, Administrative Services Director Adrienne Joly, Police Chief Greg Jones, Deputy Public Service Director Mike Barker, Public Service Director Mark Nemec, and Clerk of Council Jennifer Mason. Staff tele-present were Law Director Mitch Banchefsky, Public Service Director Mark Nemec, Planning Manager Stephen Mayer, Engineer Ed Ferris, and Chief Communications and Marketing Officer Scott McAfee.

Mayor Spalding led the assemblage in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL:

The following Mayor/Council Members answered Roll Call:

Mayor Sloan Spalding	P
CM Colleen Briscoe	P – Tele-present
CM Marlene Brisk	A
CM Michael Durik	P – Tele-present
CM Chip Fellows	P
CM Kasey Kist	P
CM Matt Shull	P

Clerk Mason told council that Council Member Brisk was traveling and had requested to be excused. Mayor Spalding moved to excuse Council Member Brisk from the meeting. Council Member Shull seconded and council voted with six yes votes to excuse Council Member Brisk from the organizational meeting.

ADDITIONS OR CORRECTIONS TO THE AGENDA:

NONE.

APPOINT OR RE-APPOINT PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE:

Mayor Spalding reminded council that, per the city’s charter, the *Pro Tem* position was only appointed on even years. Council discussed how it had been addressed annually due to a strong preference on the part of former council member Dr. Glyde Marsh. Council agreed to take up this item on even years in accordance with the charter.

APPOINT OR RE-APPOINT COMMITTEE CHAIRPERSONS:

Mayor Spalding asked if any council members wished to change the 2020 appointments.

Council Member Fellows volunteered to leave the position of Administration Chair after 15 years. Council Member Shull moved to appoint Council Member Kist as Administration Chair. Mayor Spalding



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seconded and council voted with six yes votes to appoint Council Member Kist as the Administration Chair, replacing Council Member Fellows.

Mayor Spalding told council that Council Member Brisk expressed interest in the Grants and Non-Profit Funding Committee and he offered to step down from that role. Mayor Spalding moved to appoint Council Member Brisk to the Grant and Non-Profit Funding Committee. Council Member Kist seconded and council voted with six yes votes to appoint Council Member Brisk to the Grants and Non-Profit Funding Committee, replacing Mayor Spalding.

Mayor Spalding moved to reappoint the remaining standing committee chairpersons to their same committees. His listed them as follows.

FINANCE: Colleen Briscoe
SAFETY: Sloan Spalding
PUBLIC UTILITIES: Kasey Kist
SERVICE AND PUBLIC FACILITIES: Matt Shull
PLANNING AND ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT: Colleen Briscoe
GRANTS AND NON-PROFIT FUNDING: Chip Fellows, Matt Shull

Council Member Shull seconded and council voted with six yes votes to reappoint the listed chairpersons to their positions in 2021.

APPOINT OR RE-APPOINT LIAISONS TO BOARDS/COMMISSIONS:

Mayor Spalding indicated he was willing to give up the Planning Commission position if other council members were interested. Council Member Shull expressed interest and would give up his Architectural Review Board position to take this one. Mayor Spalding moved to appoint Council Member Shull to the PC. Council Member Kist seconded and council voted with six yes votes to appoint Council Member Shull as Liaison to the Planning Commission, replacing Mayor Spalding.

Council Member Durik expressed interest in the position on the Architectural Review Board. Mayor Spalding stated that Council Member Brisk also expressed interest in that position. Mayor Spalding moved to appoint Council Member Durik to the ARB. Council Member Fellows seconded and council voted with six yes votes to appoint Council Member Durik as Liaison to the Architectural Review Board, replacing Council Member Shull.

Mayor Spalding asked if any other council members wished to change positions. Council indicated no further changes. Mayor Spalding moved to reappoint the remaining Liaisons to their same Boards and Commissions. His listed them as follows.

PARKS AND TRAILS ADVISORY BOARD: Council Member Fellows
BOARD OF ZONING APPEALS: Council Member Brisk
ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COMMITTEE: Council Member Briscoe
PUBLIC RECORDS COMMISSION: Mayor Spalding
CEMETERY RESTORATION ADVISORY BOARD: Clerk Jennifer Mason

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Council Member Shull seconded and council voted with six yes votes to reappoint the remaining listed council liaisons for 2021.

APPOINT REPORTS OF REPRESENTATIVES:

Mayor Spalding reported that Council Member Brisk was willing to give up the New Albany Plain Local Schools report to another council member and Council Member Kist expressed interest. Council Member Shull asked if anyone else had expressed interest in this position. Hearing no other input, Mayor Spalding moved to appoint Council Member Kist to report on the New Albany Plain Local Schools. Council Member Shull seconded and council voted with six yes votes to appoint Council Member Kist to report on the New Albany Plain Local Schools, replacing Council Member Brisk.

Mayor Spalding asked if anyone one else wanted to change positions. He listed them as follows.

COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO MORPC: Joe Stefanov, Sloan Spalding
COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO JOINT PARKS AND RECREATION: Matt Shull
COUNCIL REPRESENTATIVE TO PLAIN TOWNSHIP: Mike Durik

Hearing no further requests, Mayor Spalding moved to keep the remaining positions as listed. Council Member Briscoe seconded and council voted with six yes votes to keep the remaining positions as listed for 2021.

DISCUSS AND ADOPT RULES OF PROCEDURE FOR COUNCIL:

Mayor Spalding reminded council that Clerk Mason had distributed a copy of the council rules as they were approved in January of 2020, and asked if council had any questions or suggested changes for the council rules. Hearing none, Mayor Spalding moved to adopt the Council Rules of Procedure without changes for 2021. Council Member Briscoe seconded and council voted with six yes votes to adopt the Council Rules of Procedure without changes for 2021.

DETERMINE DATE AND TIME OF REGULAR MEETINGS FOR 2021:

Mayor Spalding asked if any council member wanted to change the council meeting schedule from the current first and third Tuesday of each month starting at 6:30 pm. Council indicated no change.

Mayor Spalding moved hold regular meetings on the first and third Tuesdays at 6:30 pm in 2020. Council Member Briscoe seconded and council voted with six yes votes to keep first and third Tuesdays of each month at 6:30 pm for regular meetings.

OTHER BUSINESS:

Mayor Spalding moved to name Council Clerk Jennifer Mason as New Albany's elected officials' on-going designee to take the Ohio Sunshine Law training. Council Member Shull seconded and council voted with six yes votes to pass the motion.



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Clerk Mason reminded council that the law was likely to change, requiring elected officials to take the training during each term. She suggested group training again which had been successful in 2020. Mayor Spalding also told council that the Sunshine Law and Open Meetings Act training seminar was available on-line.

ADJOURNMENT:

With all scheduled matters attended to, Mayor Spalding moved and Council Member Briscoe seconded to adjourn the January 5, 2021 Organizational Council Meeting at 6:53 pm.

ATTEST:



Jennifer H. Mason, Clerk of Council



Sloan Spalding, Mayor



Date