



City of Concord

City Council

Meeting Minutes

Monday, January 3, 2022

7:00 PM

City Council Chambers
37 Green Street
Concord, NH 03301

1. Mayor Bouley called the meeting to order at 7:00 P.M.

2. Roll Call.

Present: 14 - Councilor Candace Bouchard, Mayor Jim Bouley, Councilor Stacey Brown, Councilor Byron Champlin, Councilor Nathan Fennessy, Councilor Amanda Grady Sexton, Councilor Fred Keach, Councilor Gail Matson, Councilor Jennifer Kretovic, Councilor Paula McLaughlin, Councilor Karen McNamara, Councilor Keith Nyhan, Councilor Zandra Rice Hawkins, and Councilor Brent Todd

Excused: 1 - Councilor Erle Pierce

3. Ceremonial Swearing in of Mayor Bouley.

Action: Mayor Bouley successfully took his oath and was officially sworn in as Mayor for another term.

4. Ceremonial Swearing in of Members of City Council.

Action: Mayor Bouley successfully completed the ceremonial swearing in of only the newly elected and re-elected City Council Members, excluding Councilor Pierce as he was not present.

5. Nominations for Mayor Pro Tem.

Action: Councilor Grady Sexton nominated Councilor Bouchard, stating that she was dedicated to the people of Concord and City staff and noted her belief that Councilor Bouchard did an excellent job covering this position in the Mayor's absence to date, and endorsed her continuation in the role.

Councilor Champlin echoed Councilor Grady Sexton's comments and endorsed Councilor Bouchard as being an excellent candidate for the position.

6. Election of Mayor Pro Tem.

Action: Councilor Grady Sexton motioned to nominate Councilor Candace Bouchard to the position of Mayor Pro Tem. The motion was duly seconded and passed with no dissenting votes.

7. City Council committee assignments.

Action: Mayor Bouley noted that he did not receive all Council member assignment requests on time, so he and the City Clerk would finalize the lists at a later time to best accommodate Council preferences.

Comments, Requests by Mayor, City Councilors

Action: Mayor Bouley and members of Council each extended their thanks and appreciation to their families, voters and residents, City staff, Council colleagues and the community for their continued support.

Mayor Bouley extended his sentiments and congratulations to Councilor Bouchard for her elected role as Mayor Pro Tem and welcomed Councilor Brown and Councilor McLaughlin for their service on Council. He thanked City Manager Aspell for being an excellent role model and blessing to the City and extended his appreciation to City employees for their ongoing work efforts to run all city functions seamlessly.

Mayor Bouley stated that his goal was to re-hang and update all Council member photos in City Hall, and noted that new pictures would be taken at Council's next Priority Setting Session to be held on January 18th at 6:00 P.M.

Comments, Requests by the City Manager

Action: City Manager Aspell thanked members of Council for their kind words and endorsed his support of the new Council and excitement for continuing the important works of the City.

Adjournment

Action: Councilor Champlin motioned to adjourn the meeting at 7:29 P.M. The motion was duly seconded with no dissenting votes.

A true copy; I attest:

Ashley Hamilton

Deputy City Clerk