

Committee of the Whole

Minutes of the Meeting

June 7, 2021

1. Vice-President McMenimen called the meeting to Order at 8:10pm in the City Council Chamber.
2. Vice-President McMenimen requested that a roll call be taken to record the attendance for the meeting. The COW Clerk called the roll – Councillors Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, LeBlanc, Mackin, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley, Vidal, and Vice-President McMenimen were all present in-person. President Brasco and Councillors LaCava and LaFauci were absent.
3. Councillor Harris moved to approve the minutes of the COW meeting held on May 17, 2021. The motion was adopted on a voice vote and the minutes of the May 17, 2021 meeting were approved.
4. Councillor McLaughlin moved to take the matter of the train horn resolution (4/26/2021) from the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor McLaughlin updated the Committee on the efforts of the Mayor and him to speak with representatives of the federal transportation agency. Councillor McLaughlin also stated that a plan was being developed to silence the train horns and emphasized the "quiet zone" had been suspended, not terminated. Councillor McLaughlin moved to place the matter back on the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote.
5. Councillor Harris moved to take the matter of the affordable housing resolution (1/5/2021) from the table. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Councillor Harris moved to hear from the Mayor. The motion was adopted on a voice vote. Since the matter involved real estate, it was the request of the Mayor and the motion of Councillor Harris to go into Executive Session, to invite the Mayor, to appoint Paul Centofanti as Clerk of the Executive Session and to reconvene Open Session. The motion was adopted on a roll vote of 11 in favor (Darcy, Dunn, Durkee, Harris, LeBlanc, Mackin, McLaughlin, O'Brien, Paz, Stanley, Vidal), none opposed and Vice-President McMenimen presiding at 8:25pm.
6. Open Session was reconvened at 9:05pm.
7. A motion by Councillor O'Brien to adjourn was adopted on a voice vote, and the Chair declared the Committee adjourned at 9:07pm.

Paul G. Centofanti – Clerk to the Committee of the Whole