

**RECORD OF ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING
ELLSWORTH CITY COUNCIL**

DATE: NOVEMBER 13, 2017

TIME: 10:00 AM

PLACE: ELLSWORTH CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS

**CITY COUNCIL PRESENT: BEATHEM, BLANCHETTE, CROSTHWAITE,
FORTIER, HAMILTON, HUDSON, AND MOORE.**

CITY COUNCIL ABSENT:

**KEY SPEAKERS PRESENT: CITY MANAGER DAVID COLE, TAMMY MOTE,
AND HEIDI GRINDLE.**

Call to Order.

Heidi Grindle, City Clerk called the organizational meeting of the Ellsworth City Council to order at 10:00 AM.

Oath of Office.

Heidi-Noël Grindle, City Clerk read and administered the oath of office for Council Members to Dale A. Hamilton and John L. Moore.

Selection of Chairperson for the ensuing year.

City Clerk Heidi Grindle called for nominations on Chairperson for the ensuing year. Councilor Moore nominated Councilor Blanchette for Chairperson. Councilor Hudson nominated Councilor Crosthwaite for Chairperson. Councilor Fortier moved nominations cease.

The vote for Chairperson was taken with 4 members (Beathem, Blanchette, Hamilton, and Moore) voting in favor of Councilor Blanchette and 3 members (Fortier, Hudson, and Crosthwaite) voting in favor of Councilor Crosthwaite.

Blanchette was declared Chairman of the Council for the ensuing year.

Time and place for the regular monthly meeting.

On a motion by Fortier, seconded by Beathem, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve that the City Council will hold regular monthly meetings in the City Hall Council Chambers at 7:00 p.m. on the third Monday of each month. Except the January, and February meetings, shall be held on the second Monday of the month. Should the day of the meeting fall on a holiday or Election Day, the meeting so scheduled will be held on the prior Monday at the same hour and place.

Time for agenda to close.

On a motion by Moore, seconded by Fortier, it was unanimously

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RESOLVED to approve that the City Council meeting agenda close on Monday noon prior to the regular monthly meeting. If that day falls on a holiday the agenda will close at noon on the next prior Friday.

Time for agenda to go to the news media.

On a motion by Fortier, seconded by Moore, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve that the City Council meeting agenda be delivered to the local news media no later than Monday prior to the regular monthly meeting of the Ellsworth City Council.

Manner in which meetings are to be conducted.

On a motion by Hamilton, seconded by Moore, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve that the meetings of the City Council be conducted according to Rules of Order previously adopted by the City Council (attachment #1) and shall continue in force until the Monday next following the regular city election, pursuant to Article II, Section 2.07 of the City Charter. Each meeting is to be conducted by Robert's Rules of Order unless otherwise provided for.

Council Stipend and the manner of its distribution. Maximum allowable stipend \$2,800 Chair and \$2,240 per Councilor. Amount budgeted for FY2018 – Chairman \$2,500 and Councilors \$2,000.

On a motion by Fortier, seconded by Beathem, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve Council Chair will receive a stipend of \$2,500 and members of the City Council will receive a stipend in the amount of \$2,000 per Councilor for the period of November, 2017 thru October, 2018. Distribution of the stipend will be on the next available warrant issued by the Finance Department.

Appointment of Finance Committee.

Chairman Blanchette stated the Finance Committee is currently made up of Councilors Blanchette and Beathem. Currently, the Committee is in need of a third member. Councilor Moore is the alternate. Beathem and Blanchette would like to

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remain on the Committee and Moore would like to retain the alternate position.
Councilor Hudson was interested in serving on the Finance Committee this year.

Chairman Blanchette appointed the following members to the Finance Committee:
Beathem, Blanchette, Hudson and Alternate member: Moore.

Signing of warrants.

On a motion by Fortier, seconded by Beathem, it was unanimously

**RESOLVED to approve that the warrants directed to the Treasurer for payment
be signed by the City Manager and at least 2 member(s) of the Finance
Committee.**

Adjournment.

On a motion by Fortier, seconded by Moore, it was unanimously

RESOLVED to approve adjournment at 10:08 AM.

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ATTEST: _____
HEIDI-NOËL GRINDLE

Signing of warrants.

Adjournment.