

**Village of Waynesville**  
**Working Session of Council Minutes**  
**April 19, 2021 at 6:00 p.m.**

Present: Mayor Earl Isaacs  
Mr. Brian Blankenship  
Mr. Chris Colvin  
Ms. Joette Dedden  
Mr. Zack Gallagher (arrived after roll call)  
Mr. Troy Lauffer  
Mrs. Connie Miller

Village Staff Present: Jamie Morley, Clerk of Council

***CLERK'S NOTE-** This is a summary of the Village Working Session of Council held on Monday, April 19, 2021 to review the Rules of Council.*

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Ms. Dedden called the meeting to order at 6:04 p.m. She explained the purpose of the meeting was to review the Rules of Council and make any updates as Council deems necessary.

- Ms. Dedden recommended on page 4, second paragraph to add (B) after 3.07.
- Page 4, number 1: Cross out 12 and add 24 to match with the Charter. And add at the end of the paragraph “(Section 3.08(C) (1) and (2) Waynesville Charter)”.
- Page 5, number 3:
  - Mark out “not” in first paragraph and first sentence to coincide with the Charter.
  - Cross out “but” and add a period and capitalize “The.”
  - Add “(Section 3.08(C) Waynesville Charter)”.
  - Add “(D)” at end of second paragraph after section 3.08.
  - Section D, number 4 cross out “provided”.
- Page 7:
  - Under VII, switch 3 and 4.
  - Under IX, cross out all of letter B.
- Page 8, Ms. Dedden went over the procedure of motions and what motions would be put to vote without debate.
- Page 9, section J, Ms. Dedden wanted to stress that the only reason a member should abstain from a vote is if a Council member has personal involvement. In the past, members have abstained from approving minutes if they were not at the previous meeting. This is not a valid reason to abstain.
- Page 10, Section M: Ms. Dedden wanted to clarify that all members of Council should be given the opportunity to speak to a question before another Council member speaks for a second time. Mr. Colvin felt that this may pressure members to not speak and ask questions and wanted to stress that he does not

want to move too quickly through business but let the process work and do due diligence. Mr. Gallagher stated that he felt Council was following the principle of the rule. The consensus was to be more conscientious in making sure everyone has had the opportunity to speak before others speak for a second time.

- Page 13: First paragraph, first sentence, strike everything after “meal” and add “as reflected in 4.5 (c)(4) Personnel Policy.”
- Page 14, Rule XIII: Mr. Colvin asked what the application of temporarily suspending the rules and how would this be used within the meeting. It was decided to ask Mr. Forbes why this is in the rules.
- Page 2: Change “Village Solicitor” to “Law Director”.
- Page 18, Channel Communications. Ms. Dedden suggested that the sentence only state “Questions of Village staff should be directed only to the Village Manager.” and strike Law Director, Clerk of Council or Finance Director. Mr. Colvin felt the Finance Director should be listed because Council hires, reviews, and determines the pay Finance Director. He further stated that Council hires the Village Manger, Law Director, and Finance Director and feels Council should be able to speak with them and ask questions. Mr. Colvin further said that in the past individual Council members have injected themselves into the day-to-day staff when they should not. This is the Village Manager’s responsibility. He further said that the proper process for Council to follow is to go through the Personnel Committee. Mr. Lauffer agreed that there is a chain of command to be followed. It was determined to ask Mr. Forbes what his recommendation on the best way to word this section.

Ms. Dedden made a motion to adjourn at 6:58 p.m. and was seconded by Mr. Blankenship. All were in favor.

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Jamie Morley, Clerk of Council