



**CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
JANUARY 4, 2022**

I) CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL

Mayor Frank Bertone brought the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m. City Council members present include Jon Bennehoof, Frank Bertone, Tom Counts, Christina Drummond, Heather Karr, Brian Lorenz, and Daniel Swartwout. Also present were Andrew D. White, City Manager; Yazan S. Ashrawi Esq., Law Director; Jeffrey Tyler, Assistant City Manager / Community Development Director; Buddy Caplinger, Public Services Director; Claudia Husak, Planning Director; Jason Nahvi, HR Business Partner, and Steve Hrytzik, Police Chief.

II) PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

III) CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

Mayor Bertone opened the citizen participation portion of the meeting, and hearing no comment, citizen participation was closed.

IV) COUNCIL OATHS OF OFFICE - The Honorable David Gormley, Delaware County Court of Common Pleas

The Honorable David Gormley of the Delaware County Court of Common Pleas swore in new Council Member Christina Drummond, Council Member Brian Lorenz, Council Member Tom Counts, and Council Member Frank Bertone.

V) RESOLUTIONS

- a. **RESOLUTION 2022-01: A RESOLUTION TO ELECT
AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF POWELL FOR A
TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023.**

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MOTION: Brian Lorenz moved to approve a.) RESOLUTION 2022-01: A RESOLUTION TO ELECT DANIEL SWARTWOUT AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF POWELL FOR A TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023. Jon C Bennehoof seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 6 N 0 (None) AB 1 (Dan Swartwout)

**b. RESOLUTION 2022-02: A RESOLUTION TO ELECT
AS VICE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF POWELL FOR A
TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023.**

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[2022-02_res.pdf](#)

MOTION: Brian Lorenz moved to approve a.) RESOLUTION 2022-02: A RESOLUTION TO ELECT TOM COUNTS AS VICE MAYOR OF THE CITY OF POWELL FOR A TERM ENDING DECEMBER 31, 2023. Daniel Swartwout seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 6 N 0 (None) AB 1 (Tom Counts)

VI) OATH OF OFFICE FOR THE MAYOR AND VICE MAYOR - The Honorable David Gormley, Delaware County Court of Common Pleas

The Honorable David Gormley of the Delaware Court of Common Pleas swore in Mayor Daniel Swartwout and Vice Mayor Tom Counts.

VII) RESOLUTIONS

**RESOLUTION 2022-03: A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FRANK BERTONE'S
TENURE AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF POWELL, 2020 - 2021**

[Res. 2022-03_Memo.pdf](#)
[Res. 2022-03_Resolution.pdf](#)

Mayor Swartwout opened this Resolution for public comment, and hearing none, public comment portion was closed. Mayor Swartwout then opened this Resolution for Council comment.

MOTION: Brian Lorenz moved to approve RESOLUTION 2022-03: A RESOLUTION RECOGNIZING FRANK BERTONE'S TENURE AS MAYOR OF THE CITY OF POWELL, 2020 - 2021. Jon C Bennehoof seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 6 N 0 (None) AB 1 (Frank Bertone)

VIII) APPROVAL OF MINUTES

[12072021 Council Minutes.pdf](#)

MOTION: Tom Counts moved to approve the December 7, 2021 Council minutes. Brian Lorenz seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 6 N 0 (None) AB 1 (Jon Bennehoff)

IX) COMMITTEE REPORTS

X) CITY MANAGER'S REPORT/CITY CALENDAR

Andy White stated that as we are beginning the operation of the 2022 calendar year, and that there was a lot of work afoot right now, as we begin to prepare Committee work assignments, we will be bringing back to you additional information. As Tom Counts mentioned, the January

11, 2022, meeting, we will telling, as we will be taking a look at our financial activities for the New Year. He then took the opportunity to thank Frank Bertone, administratively, for everything he did for him, although he appreciated everything Council did, there is a special relationship between the head of Council as the figure head and the face of the City and he doesn't believe he could have gotten any better support in his transition into the community, than what he received from Frank Bertone. He also stated that as he reflected back on his past, almost two years with the City, he looks at what Council has accomplished, he wanted to reinforce with the community standard, the partnership that went into this. There was a lot of work that went into 2020 through today, and he felt that he would have been successful without his long hours beyond the normal working realm.

XI) OTHER COUNCIL MATTERS

COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRPERSON TO:

Development Committee
Finance Committee
Operations Committee

Mayor Swartwout stated that this was where Council would address the appointment of the various chairpersons to the three (3) committees, Development, Finance and Operations.

Frank Bertone stated that referencing the Development Committee, he felt that it would be great in a continuity standpoint, to suggest that Brian Lorenz remain as the Chair for this committee.

Mayor Swartwout inquired as to the Finance Committee. Brian Lorenz suggested that that Tom Counts hold the Chair for the same reasons as Frank Bertone stated.

Mayor Swartwout inquired as to the Operations Committee. Tom Counts nominated Frank Bertone as the Chair for the Operations Committee.

MOTION: Brian Lorenz moved to approve Brian Lorenz as Development Chair, Tom Counts as Finance Chair, and Frank Bertone as Operations Chair. Jon Bennehoof seconded the Motion.

VOTE: Y 7 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

Mayor Swartwout asked for any other matters to be discussed. Frank Bertone stated that it may be a good time to see if other Council Members may be interested on being on a committee. Mayor Swartwout opened this issue for Council comment. Christina Drummond stated that she would like to be on the Operations Committee. Heather Karr stated that she wished to continue on the Development Committee in addition to serve on the Finance Committee. Mayor Swartwout stated he would like to serve on the Development Committee. Frank Bertone stated he would like to serve on the Finance Committee. Jon Bennehoof stated that he remained interested in revitalizing the One Community at some point, but in the interim he would like to serve on the Operations Committee. Mayor Swartwout stated that his interest was duly noted for the record.

Development Committee: Brian Lorenz, Chair, Mayor Swartwout and Heath Karr
Finance Committee: Tom Counts, Chair, Frank Bertone and Heather Karr
Operations Committee: Frank Bertone, Chair, Christina Drummond and Jon Bennehoof

Mayor Swartwout advised that the citizen representatives will be added at an upcoming meeting, hopefully as soon as the next scheduled Council Meeting.

Mayor Swartwout closed Other Council Matters.

XII) ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: Jon C Bennehoof moved at 8:01 p.m. to adjourn. Frank Bertone seconded the motion.

VOTE: Y 7 N 0 (None) AB 0 (None)

MINUTES APPROVED: JANUARY 18, 2022



Daniel Swartwout
Mayor

1-18-22
Date



Amy Deere
City Clerk

1-18-22
Date