

Wilmington City Council, 12/5/15 meeting, Observer Corps Minutes

The organizational public meeting of the Wilmington City Council started at 6:30 pm on December 5, 2017. The primary purpose of this meeting was to administer the oath of office to one newly elected Council Member, two re-elected Members, and the Mayor of Wilmington, along with the election of a Mayor Pro-Tem. Also included was a tribute to Dr. Earl Sheridan, who retired this year from the Council after 12 consecutive years of service. The Council Chambers were full of family members and community residents who came in support of the Mayor and Council Members.

The Wilmington City Clerk, A. Penelope Spicer-Sidbury, certified the results of City elections held in November.

The Honorable James Faison, III, District Court Judge, administered the oath of office to Mayor Bill Saffo and re-elected Council Member Kevin O'Grady. Judge Faison also administered the oath of office to newly elected Council Member Reverend Clifford Barnett, Sr. The Honorable W. Allen Cobb, Jr., Retired Senior Resident Superior Court Judge, administered the oath of office to re-elected Council Member Charlie Rivenbark.

The newly constituted City Council passed a "Resolution expressing recognition and appreciation by the Wilmington Mayor and City Council to Dr. Earl Sheridan for his outstanding leadership and commitment in serving the citizens of the Wilmington community for twelve consecutive years." A video of individual Council Members expressing their thanks and best wishes to Dr. Sheridan was shown.

Council Member Margaret Haynes was re-elected as Mayor Pro-Tem, and the Council approved a schedule of meetings for 2018.

After the Council meeting was adjourned, a reception for the Mayor, Council Members, and guests was held in the Lord Spencer Compton Conference Room of City Hall.

Submitted by Lynn Whitmore