



# City of Mentor-on-the-Lake

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## MINUTES ORGANIZATIONAL MEETING OF COUNCIL JANUARY 4, 2024

Law Director James Lyons swore in Mayor-elect Dave Eva. Mayor Eva swore in re-elected Rob Johnson and Desirea Thompson and newly elected Virginia Wong and Skip Gray as Members of Council.

The Organizational Meeting of Council for the City of Mentor-on-the-Lake, Ohio, was called to Order at 7:08 P.M. on January 4, 2024, by Council Member Rob Johnson, Chair.

**CALL TO ORDER:** PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

**ROLL CALL:**

**At Large: MICHELLE MOORE**  
**Ward 4: DESIREA THOMPSON**  
**Ward 2: SKIP GRAY**  
**At Large: KEVIN BITTNER**  
**Ward 1: VIRGINIA WONG**  
**At Large: JIM LUNDER**  
**Ward 3: ROB JOHNSON**

**ELECTION OF OFFICERS:**

Council Member Johnson asked for nominations for **President of Council**.

Council Member Moore nominated Council Member Johnson for President of Council. Council Member Thompson seconded the nomination.

Council Member Bittner nominated Council Member Lunder for President of Council. Council Member Moore seconded the nomination.

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. THOMPSON**, Seconded by Mrs. Moore, to close the nominations for President of Council. Mr. Johnson asked for a Roll Call on the nomination

**ROLL CALL VOTE FOR PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL:**

**Vote:**

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| <b>Council Member Moore</b>    | <b>Aye: Mr. Johnson</b> |
| <b>Council Member Thompson</b> | <b>Aye: Mr. Johnson</b> |
| <b>Council Member Gray</b>     | <b>Aye: Mr. Johnson</b> |
| <b>Council Member Bittner</b>  | <b>Aye: Mr. Lunder</b>  |
| <b>Council Member Wong</b>     | <b>Aye: Mr. Johnson</b> |
| <b>Council Member Lunder</b>   | <b>Aye: Mr. Johnson</b> |
| <b>Council Member Johnson</b>  | <b>Aye: Mr. Lunder</b>  |

**Council Member Johnson: Ayes: 5. Council Member Lunder: Ayes: 2.**

**Rob Johnson was elected President of Council.**

Council Member Johnson asked for nominations for **Vice-President of Council**.

Council Member Lunder nominated Council Member Moore for Vice-President of Council. Council Member Thompson seconded the nomination.

Council Member Bittner nominated Council Member Thompson for Vice-President of Council. Council Member Wong seconded the nomination.

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. MOORE**, Seconded by Mr. Lunder, to close the nominations for Vice-President of Council. Council Member Johnson asked for a Roll Call on the nomination.

**ROLL CALL VOTE FOR VICE-PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL:**

|                         | <u>Vote:</u>       |
|-------------------------|--------------------|
| Council Member Moore    | Aye: Mrs. Moore    |
| Council Member Thompson | Aye: Mrs. Thompson |
| Council Member Gray     | Aye: Mrs. Thompson |
| Council Member Bittner  | Aye: Mrs. Thompson |
| Council Member Wong     | Aye: Mrs. Thompson |
| Council Member Lunder   | Aye: Mrs. Moore    |
| Council Member Johnson  | Aye: Mrs. Moore    |

**Council Member Moore: Ayes: 3. Council Member Thompson: Ayes: 4.**

**Desirea Thompson was elected Vice-President of Council.**

**SWEARING IN OF PRESIDENT AND VICE-PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL:**

**7:13 P.M.**

Council Member Rob Johnson was sworn in as President of Council by Mayor David R. Eva.

**7:15 P.M.**

Council Member Desirea Thompson was sworn in as Vice-President of Council by Mayor David R. Eva.

**ADOPTION OF COUNCIL RULES:**

Mr. Johnson stated everyone has received a copy of the Council Rules. To give everyone a chance to go over them, they will be voted on at the next Council Meeting.

Mr. Johnson advised he and Mrs. Thompson will discuss the Committee appointments and get them to everybody as soon as possible.


**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION MADE BY MRS. MOORE**, Seconded by Mrs. Thompson, for Adjournment. ROLL CALL:  
Ayes: Council Member Moore, Thompson, Gray, Bittner, Wong, Lunder, Johnson. Nays: None.  
**MOTION CARRIED: 7/0**

The Organizational Meeting of Council adjourned at 7:18 P.M.

January 9, 2024  
Date

**APPROVED:**

  
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**ROB JOHNSON**  
President of Council

**Attest:**

Joyce M. Jay  
Clerk of Council