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1. CALL TO ORDER

2. MOMENT OF SILENCE

3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Deputy Mayor Ciotti led the Pledge of Allegiance.

4. ROLL CALL ATTENDANCE

Present: Mayor Carrier, Deputy Mayor Ciotti, Councilor Cullen, and Councilor O'Connor. Councilor Muffett-Lipinski, Councilor Thibodeaux, and Councilor Williams attended virtually.

Absent: Councilor Manley.

Also Present: City Manager Joyal, City Attorney Wyatt, and City Clerk Mistretta.

5. CITIZEN'S FORUM

Taxpayers, Business owners, and Residents are invited to speak on any issue pertaining to the business of the City of Dover. Statements shall be limited to five minutes.

Email correspondence must be directed to CityCouncil-All@doover.nh.gov, Voicemails must be left at (603) 516-6338, and written letters or correspondence must be directed to City of Dover, ATTN: City Council, 288 Central Avenue, Dover, NH 03820.

Correspondence that does not state the individual's name and Dover address shall not be placed on file with the Council public meeting record.

Marcia Gasses, 114 Garrison Road: She said she is interested in filling the Ward 4 vacancy on the City Council.

Mark Speidel, 28 Leathers Lane: He said he is interested in filling the Ward 4 vacancy on the City Council.

Mayor Carrier, seeing no one else wishing to speak, closed the Citizen's Forum.

6. NEW BUSINESS

**A. ACCEPTANCE OF RESIGNATION BY WARD 4 CITY COUNCILOR JOSHUA MANLEY, DECLARATION OF VACANCY, AND COMMENCEMENT OF PROCESS TO FILL VACANCY PURSUANT TO CHARTER SECTION C3-5
SPONSORED BY MAYOR CARRIER BY REQUEST**

Deputy Mayor Ciotti moved for its adoption; seconded by Councilor O'Connor.

Mayor Carrier read the letter of resignation from Councilor Manley.

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City Manager Joyal gave an overview of the resolution to declare a vacancy and the process to apply to the Council. He recommended an amendment to the resolution, second Further be it Resolved, to delete “through its Appointments Committee” so the whole Council interview the candidates.

Councilor Cullen asked when the vacancy occurred and if the City should be considering a special election.

City Attorney Wyatt discussed the areas in the Charter and why it was acceptable for the Council to appoint the new Councilor.

Councilor Williams asked they concentrate on what is best for the City.

Councilor Thibodeaux recommended that the Council do this as expeditiously as possible.

Councilor Shanahan made the motion to amend the Resolution by deleting “through its Appointments Committee” from the second Further be it Resolved, and the correct the year to 2021 in the third Further be it Resolved; seconded by Deputy Mayor Ciotti.

Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

City Manager Joyal gave an overview of the voting process to the Council. He stated that the final vote has to be a majority of the City Council. If it is a tie the Council will ask the candidates if one wishes to concede, or they will flip a coin to decide the winner.

Councilor O'Connor made the motion to amend the Resolution to require a majority vote of five members of the City Council, or to flip a coin in the case of a tie; seconded by Councilor Shanahan.

Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

Deputy Mayor Ciotti moved for the adoption of the amended Resolution; seconded by Councilor Shanahan.

Roll Call Vote: 6/2; Passed. Councilor Cullen and Councilor O'Connor were opposed.

Councilor Williams moved to suspend the rules to make a Councilor Matters of Interest comment; seconded by Deputy Mayor Ciotti.

Roll Call Vote: 8/0.

Councilor Williams referred to the events in Washington D.C., and read a brief statement regarding the people who breached the security of the Capital building today.

7. ADJOURN

Councilor O'Connor moved to adjourn; seconded by Councilor Shanahan.

Roll Call Vote: 8/0.