

the Councillors present shall choose one of their own number to act as Chairman and preside; the Mayor or Chairman so presiding shall not vote upon any question, except in case of equal divisions, when he shall have the casting vote.

41. The Minutes of proceedings of all meetings of the Council shall be entered in a Book to be kept for that purpose by the City Clerk, and shall be signed by the Mayor or Chairman presiding; such book shall be open to the inspection of any person on payment of a fee of one shilling to the City Clerk.

42. If at any meeting of the City Council any member thereof shall be guilty of grossly violent or improper conduct, or shall make use of language indecent or profane, or insulting to any member of the Council present, the Council, if seven members besides the offender be then present and concur in the sentence, may expel such offending Councillor from the City Council, or another meeting may be summoned to adjudicate upon the subject, the time and object thereof being previously notified in writing to every member, as in the case of other special meetings: If seven members, besides the offender, be present at such meeting, they shall have power, after due proof of the offence, (in such manner as may be determined at such meeting) to punish him by reprimand, fine, or expulsion, as any seven of the members then present shall think fit: In case of expulsion, the person so expelled shall cease to be a member of the City Council, and shall forfeit all rights, powers, and privileges enjoyed by him as such; and the Mayor shall immediately order a new election to supply the vacancy: In case a fine shall be imposed it shall in no case be more than five pounds, to be recovered, with costs, in the name of the City Treasurer, in a summary manner before a competent Court, in which a certificate, under the hand and seal of the City Clerk, shall be conclusive evidence of the defendant's liability; which certificate the said City Clerk shall furnish without fee.

43. Any meeting of the Council may be adjourned from day to day for three days in the whole, and no longer, except when Sunday, Christmas day, Good Friday, or any other Public Fast day, happens upon one of the days to which the Council might otherwise have adjourned, when they may adjourn over to the next day.

44. The City Council may appoint from their own body such Committees, consisting of such number of persons as they may