AFTER 50 MEN, A WOMAN IS MAYOR

THE HISTORY OF SYRACUSE TAKES A TURN TODAY WITH STEPHANIE MINER’S FIRST DAY IN OFFICE

From beards and bow ties to clean faces and neckties, from one-year terms to eight-year limits, there has been one constant in the municipal leadership of Syracuse since 1848 — all of the mayors have been men. Today, the first woman elected mayor officially joins their ranks.

Who were these men and what did they accomplish? An interactive graphic at syracuse.com provides a glimpse at their places in history.

Today, Stephanie Miner becomes Syracuse’s 53rd mayor. Here are the mayors and when they served. Two of them served twice, Elias Leavenworth (2nd and 11th), and Charles Andrews (13th and 17th).

Mayors were elected to one-year terms until 1886 when they were elected to two-year terms. After 1930, the term was for four years. Two-term limits were enacted after 1986.

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