

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ZION CITY COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY, JUNE 7, 2012, AT 3:35 P.M. IN THE CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS, CITY HALL, ZION, ILLINOIS

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Mayor Harrison called the meeting to order.

On call of the roll the following answered present: Commissioners DeTienne, Jim Taylor, Shantal Taylor, Flammini and Mayor Harrison.

MAY 1, 2012 – APRIL 30, 2013 BUDGET

Due to discussions regarding personnel issues, Mayor Harrison recommended tabling Agenda Item 3, "Budget discussion regarding Fiscal Year May 1, 2012 through April 30, 2013", and Agenda Item 6 "Proposed personnel changes" until the Council can meet in a Closed Session.

Mayor Harrison recommended scheduling a Special Meeting on Tuesday, June 12th at 6:30 p.m. to further discuss the Budget for the Fiscal Year May 1, 2012 through April 30, 2013, and proposed personnel changes.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to table the discussion regarding the Budget for Fiscal Year May 1, 2012 through April 30, 2013 and proposed personnel changes to a Special Meeting scheduled for Tuesday June 12, 2012 at 6:30 p.m. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison aye. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENTS OF DEPARTMENT HEADS

Mayor Harrison presented and recommended appointments for Department Heads.

It was moved by Commissioner DeTienne, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to appoint Department Heads through April 30, 2013 as recommended.

- Wayne Brooks – Police Chief
- John Lewis – Fire/Rescue Chief
- Ron Colangelo – Director of Public Works & Engineering
- Rich Ianson – Director of Building & Public Property
- Diane Burkemper – City Clerk

Mayor Harrison stated the subject of the Director of Finance would be discussed immediately following the Department Head appointments.

The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; Shantal Taylor, aye; Flammini, aye, and Mayor Harrison aye. Motion carried.

APPOINTMENT OF FINANCE DIRECTOR

Mayor presented the desired candidate for the new Director of Accounts and Finance, David Knabel, with a proposed salary of \$104,000.

Mayor Harrison stated that Commissioner Jim Taylor, Barbara Fitz-Henley, and he met with various candidates and felt Mr. Knabel was the best fit for the City. Mayor Harrison stated Mr. Knabel has numerous qualifications for this position. Mayor Harrison stated the City is lucky to have found a CPA, which we have not had in many years. Mr. Knabel has years of experience with auditing Municipal government, including our government as well. Mr. Knabel has extensive knowledge in Core Competencies, including Government Accounting Standards Board (GASB) proficiency. He is also familiar with the City's Accounting Software. He is fluent in Spanish as well as English.

Commissioner Shantal Taylor stated she would like to have met with Mr. Knabel before Commissioner Jim Taylor brought his appointment to the Council. Commissioner Jim Taylor stated that Mr. Knabel would be happy to set up a time to meet with her, but it is his recommendation at this time to appoint Mr. Knabel as the Director of Accounts and Finance.

It was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Flammini to appoint Mr. David Knabel as the Director of Accounts & Finance with a salary of \$104,000. The vote on roll call was: Commissioners DeTienne, aye; Jim Taylor, aye; Shantal Taylor, nay; Flammini, aye; and Mayor Harrison aye. Motion carried.

ADJOURN

There being no further business to come before the Council at this time, it was moved by Commissioner Jim Taylor, seconded by Commissioner DeTienne and unanimously approved the meeting be adjourned at 3:58 p.m. Motion carried.

Deputy City Clerk

Approved June 19, 2012