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SPECIAL MEETING OF THE COUNCIL, February 19, 2019

The Mayor and City Council of the City of Madison met in special session in the Council Chambers, 211 South Lincoln Street, Madison, Nebraska on, Tuesday, February 19, 2019, beginning at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Alvin Brandl called the meeting to order. Roll call found the following Council members present: Rob Fite, Rick Schommer, and Paul Kellen, Griselda Beery. Staff members present were: Treasurer/Office Manager/Acting City Clerk, Paula Biehle, City Attorney Mike Brogan, and Utilities Superintendent Jim Lewis.

The Mayor presided and the Acting City Clerk recorded the proceedings.

Upon opening of the meeting at 6:03 p.m. *the Mayor welcomed all guests and gave reminder to turn off cell/phones/pagers.* The Mayor also informed the public about the location of the current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted in the front entrance of the City Council Chambers and accessible to members of the public.

Notice of the meeting was given 24 hours in advance, thereof, by posting at the following locations in Madison, Nebraska: The office of the Madison STAR-MAIL, City Hall, Countryside Home and the Madison County Courthouse.

Notice was given to the Mayor and all members of the council and a copy of their acknowledgement of receipt of notice is attached to the minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance to the Mayor and Council of this meeting. All proceedings hereafter shown were taken while the convened meeting was open to the public.

AGENDA ITEMS

OLD BUSINESS

The following agenda items were approved or tabled to future meeting:

DISCUSSION: Park Board Member vacancy. No appointment at this time. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**

DISCUSSION: Appointment of City Clerk position. No appointment at this time. **NO ACTION TAKEN.**

DISCUSSION: Recent resignations of the office personnel, other matters concerning their replacement and necessary action to address this matter. Donna Bartak and Paula Biehle turned in resignation notices on 2-15-19, with their last day of work on 3-19-19. Need a plan of recruitment and post advertisement.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER AND SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN to advertise with an application closing date of 2-26-19, for the positions of 1.) City Treasurer/Office Manager and 2.) Bookkeeper/Deputy Treasurer in the Norfolk Daily News, Columbus Telegram, Indeed website, NE Dept of Labor website and Madison Area Chamber of Commerce Facebook page. Roll call: Yeas: Schommer, Kellen, Fite and Beery. Nays: None. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: To enter into executive session to discuss personnel issues.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER BEERY to enter into executive session at 6:16 pm to discuss personnel issues. Roll Call: Yeas: Schommer, Beery, Fite, Kellen. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ACTION: MOTION BY KELLEN, SECOND BY BEERY to exit the executive session at 6:48 pm, which was held to discuss personnel issues. Roll Call: Kellen, Beery, Fite, Schommer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER SCHOMMER to allow Mayor Brandl to hire up to two people, part time, for a maximum of 90 days, until appointment and approval of new 1.) Bookkeeper/Deputy Treasurer and 2.) Treasurer/Office Manager. Roll Call: Yeas: Kellen, Schommer, Fite, Beery. Nays: None. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Recent resignation of CSH Administrator, Linda Anderson, and the need for an appointment of a new administrator.

ACTION: MOTION BY KELLEN, SECOND BY BEERY to Approve Mayor Brandl's recommendation, and Countryside Home Board of Director's unanimous acceptance of Jenna Kennedy as the new Countryside Home Administrator. Salary for Kennedy is set at \$70,000, with up to \$2,000 in additional funds, for educational expenses that will be incurred to obtain license for a skilled nursing facility. Estimated start time for Kennedy is early March, 2019. Roll Call: Kellen, Beery, Fite, Schommer. Nays: None. Motion carried.

DISCUSSION: Discussion was had on adjourning the meeting.

ACTION: MOTION BY COUNCILMEMBER KELLEN, SECOND BY COUNCILMEMBER FITE to adjourn meeting at 6:55 pm. Roll Call: Yeas: Kellen, Schommer, Beery, Fite. Nays: None. Motion carried.



Paula Biehle, Acting City Clerk



Alvin Brandl, Mayor

I, the undersigned City Clerk, hereby certify that the foregoing is the full, true and correct original document of the Madison City Council Meeting proceedings had and done by the Mayor and City Council; that all of the subjects included in the proceedings were contained in the agenda for the meeting, kept continually current and available for public inspection at the office of the Clerk; that such subjects were contained in said agenda for at least twenty-four hours prior to the meeting; that at least one copy of all reproducible material discussed at the meeting was available at the meeting for examination and copying by members of the public; that the said minutes were in written form and available for public inspection within ten working days and prior to the next convened meeting of said body; that all news media requesting notification concerning meetings of said body were provided advance notification of the time and place of said meeting and the subjects to be discussed at said meeting.

Paula Biehle

Paula Biehle, Acting City Clerk