

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING

January 17, 2012

12:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

The special council meeting was held Tuesday, January 17, 2012, in the Conference Room at City Hall. Mayor Chris Grenz called the meeting to order. Councilmembers present were John Uden, Jerry Partridge, John Hollowell, Sue Galbraith, Roxanna Brush and Dwayne Andrews. Councilmembers Mark Ahner and Bill Melnik were absent.

Also present were Fire Chief Dale Berg, Police Chief Doug Colombik and Council Recorder/City Clerk Becky Stanton.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Grenz led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken by the City Clerk

APPOINTMENTS

A. Zoning Committee

It was decided to notice in the Miles City Star for letters of interest to fill the three vacancies on the Zoning Commission and then the Council will appoint the positions.

Councilpersons Andrews, Galbraith and Uden stated that several people had indicated that they wanted John Kuntz on the Commission. They felt he brought experience and knowledge to the Commission and was an asset to the Council. Mayor Grenz said the reason he did not appoint Mr. Kuntz to the Commission was because the County Commissioners did not want to work with him. The Mayor was trying to work together with the County. It was determined that the Council was authorized to appoint the Zoning Commission and not the Mayor.

*** Councilperson Brush made a motion to approve the appointments of the Zoning Commission, seconded by Councilperson Partridge. No action was taken so the motion died.*

It was decided to request letters of interest from the public to fill these three vacancies.

*** Councilperson Uden made a motion to table the appointment of the Zoning Commission until all issues are resolved and the letters of interest are publicized in the paper, seconded by Councilperson Galbraith; motion carried 4-2, with Brush and Partridge voting nay.*

NEW BUSINESS

a. Appointment of Committee Seats

Finance Committee:

Councilperson Partridge
Councilperson Melnik
Councilperson Ahner
Councilperson Brush

Public Safety:

Councilperson Galbraith
Councilperson Uden
Councilperson Ahner
Councilperson Andrews

Human Resources:

Councilperson Melnik
Councilperson Uden
Councilperson Hollowell
Councilperson Andrews

Public Service:

Councilperson Galbraith
Councilperson Partridge
Councilperson Hollowell
Councilperson Brush

Flood Control:

Councilperson Galbraith
Councilperson Partridge
Councilperson Hollowell
Councilperson Andrews

Health Board:

Councilperson Brush
Dr. Malcom Winter
Amber Trenka
Sharon Wilcox
Donna Faber

** *Councilperson Uden made a motion to approve the appointment of committee seats, seconded by Councilperson Galbraith; Motion carried 6-0.*

- b. Ordinance No. 1230: An Ordinance amending the definition of “Kennel”, defining “Animal Rescue Shelters”, providing a permitting process therefore, regulating the operations thereof, and providing an effective date thereof.
FIRST READING.

After discussion,

** *Councilperson Partridge moved to send the ordinance to the Zoning Commission, seconded by Councilperson Andrews and, on roll call vote, the motion passed 6-0.*

When the question arose as to when the issue might come before the Zoning Commission, Murial Rost, 1007 S. Stacy, who is a current member of the Zoning Commission, said she and Amber Trenka are the only two members left of the five member Commission; three more members need to be appointed. She noted that several letters from the previous board had been written requesting that Mr. Kuntz

be reappointed to the commission. She pointed out that his expertise, which has been evident at this meeting, is the reason for their request.

*** Councilperson Brush moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilperson Galbraith and passed unanimously.*

ADJOURNMENT

** The meeting was adjourned at 12:30 p.m.

CHRIS A GRENZ, Mayor

ATTEST:

BECKY STANTON, City Clerk