

**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING      October 6, 2020**  
**6:00 p.m.**

**CALL TO ORDER**

The Special Council meeting was held Tuesday, October 6, 2020, in the Conference Room at City Hall, 17 S. 8<sup>th</sup> Street, Miles City, Montana. Mayor John Hollowell called the meeting to order. Council Members present were Rick Huber, Ken Gardner, Brant Kassner, Kathy Wilcox, Dwayne Andrews and Austin Lott.

Also present were City Attorney Dan Rice, Planner in Training II Ally Capps, Fire Chief Branden Stevens, Acting Police Chief Dan Baker and City Clerk/Minute Recorder Lorrie Pearce.

Mayor Hollowell led the Council in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**1. Interview of Council Applications, and Nomination and Approval of New Council Member**

\*\* *Councilperson Wilcox moved to start interviewing applicants, seconded by Councilperson Huber. The motion passed unanimously*

Questions to and responses from Elizabeth Patten were as follows:

- Councilperson Andrews asked what she would bring to Council that will help Miles City. Ms. Patten's response was her ideas that she has been thinking about since she has been attending Council meetings and employed at Miles City Economic Development. During that time, she had built relationships with her neighbors and the citizens of Miles City. She hopes to bring those relationships to Council and that it will be beneficial to everyone. She will come to Council meetings and ask questions on the issue if needed.
- Councilperson Huber asked what Committees she would be interested to be on. Ms. Patten said Finance and Public Service.
- Councilperson Gardner encouraged her to not lose faith through the process. He asked how she would express her displeasure with other Council members that she disagreed with, but the issue is covered by an Ordinance. Ms. Patten said the Ordinances that are in place, need to be followed, it doesn't mean that you can not change the Ordinance at a later date.
- Ms. Patten said that she looks forward to getting to know everyone on Council and working with everyone.

\*\* *Councilperson Lott moved to nominate and approve Elizabeth Patten to fill ward II Council vacancy, seconded by Councilperson Andrews. By roll call vote the motion passed 6-0*

**2. Adjournment**

\*\* *Councilperson Wilcox moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilperson Huber and passed unanimously.*

The meeting adjourned at 6:10 p.m.

  
 John Hollowell, Mayor

  
 Lorrie Pearce, City Clerk