

Special Meeting  
January 24, 2017

Meeting called to order by Mayor Tammy Konz at 6:00pm

Council Members present: Aaron Dahlinger, Sheryl Carlson, Tammy Konz and Megan Kiffmeyer; DuWayne Orbeck absent

Others present: Jason Mehr, Ed Borman and Mike Schneider

Mayor Konz stated one of her goals for the year is to get the bathrooms fixed for the library and come up with a long-term plan; she has spoken with the library board and county commissioners and they seem unaware of what is going on. Councilmember Dahlinger asked if the library knows what they want yet. Those present discussed having the library take over all of the current Council Chambers at City Hall; meetings could be moved to the Fire Hall.

Councilmember Kiffmeyer stated she would like to go over the City policies to see if they are still relevant and if any changes need to be made. She wants to put a hiring policy into place and work with the CIP software the City purchased.

Councilmember Carlson would like to see the City put a growth plan into place laying out plans for future parks, industrial space, etc. Mayor Konz stated the City does have a Comprehensive Plan in place; it does need to be updated. Councilmember Carlson also commented that area cities have fast food restaurants, credit unions, etc. Mayor Konz discussed Subway looking at opening in Kimball a few years ago; they decided against it after studying the community demographics. Mayor Konz discussed possible future businesses such as: Dollar General, a dentist and a hotel. Councilmember Carlson asked if the City had an EDA; they do not.

The City Clerk stated her goal is to have her audit prep done within the next 3 weeks.

Ed Borman in the Public Works Dept. stated his goal is to get a new employee trained in prior to his retirement in the fall.

The Personnel Committee did meet with Ed about a replacement.

Jason Mehr discussed his goals for the Police Dept. He wants to get all of his guys on the same page and become a 24hr dept. He is looking at getting a K9; it would be for drug detection, searching and biting. He's working with the school on active shooter training. He needs to hire another PT officer but is waiting for the Council to do a hiring policy. He and Ryan are to Sauk Rapids to get info about their FTO program; he would like to make Kimball a training site for area depts.

Mike Schneider is working on the 100-year anniversary celebration for the Fire Dept; March 12 is the actual anniversary date. The dept. is looking at replacing a truck; this will lower their ISO rating. The Fire Dept. will be teaching CPR to kids at the Fire Hall in February.

Councilmember Dahlinger discussed the Maine Prairie Township meeting he attended; they discussed repairs needed for 83<sup>rd</sup> Ave.

Motion made by Aaron Dahlinger and seconded by Megan Kiffmeyer to adjourn at 7:20pm; motion carried  
Councilmember DuWayne Orbeck absent

Respectfully submitted by Nicole Pilarski