

April 15, 2015

CITY OF NEBRASKA CITY, NEBRASKA  
MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING  
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Pursuant to due call and notice thereof, a Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Nebraska City was conducted in the William F. Davis Room at City Hall, 1409 Central Avenue, on April 15, 2015. Notice of the meeting was given in advance thereof by posting in at least three public places, the designated method for giving notice, as shown by the Certificate of Posting Notice attached to these minutes. Availability of the agenda was communicated in advance to the media, Mayor and Commissioners of this proceeding and said meeting was open to the public.

Acting Mayor Briley called the meeting to order at a 7:00 a.m. The Acting Mayor publicly stated to all in attendance that a current copy of the Nebraska Open Meetings Act was available for review and indicated the location of such copy posted in the room where the meeting was being held. Acting Mayor then led in the Pledge of Allegiance. Upon roll call, the following answered present: Jim Stark, Jeff Crunk, Vic Johns, Mindy Briley.

Acting Mayor Briley called for a recess at 7:01 A.M. and reconvene at the Rowe Public Safety Building. Meeting reconvened at the Rowe Public Safety Building at 7:05 A.M. Acting Mayor Briley called the meeting to order. The following City Officials were present: City Attorney David Partsch, Deputy City Clerk-Treasurer Emily Anthony, Interim City Clerk-Treasurer Jacqueline Smith, Police Chief David Lacy, Fire Chief Alan Viox, and Public Properties Director/Zoning Director Dan Giittinger.

Acting Mayor Briley gave a brief history on National Library Week which began in 1958 is observed each April and was started by The National Library Association.

Acting Mayor Briley proclaimed April 12-18, 2015 as National Library Week. Denise Davis represented the Morton James Public Library to receive the Proclamation.

Acting Mayor Briley thanked everyone for coming so early in support of the mayor appointment and to recognize National Library Week. Briley began by reading the resume of the proposed nominee. She nominated Bryan Bequette for the position of successor mayor. Briley asked for discussion from the Council or Public. City Attorney asked if Mr. Bequette would like to speak. Mr. Bequette thanked Briley for her generous introduction and confidence for bringing his name forward for mayor. Mr. Bequette addressed the Council members with understanding of the gravity of the happenings of this morning for Nebraska City and pledges his support to them and Nebraska City citizens to help move the City forward. Briley said that if the Council confirms the appointment, the Oath of Office will be given. Lori Bennett voiced some concerns of the governing process and believes that a special election should be held. Alyce Hollesen spoke in favor of Mr. Bequette, saying Nebraska City needs to heal, needs a mayor and needs to go forward. Clyde Stoll spoke that these are important issues and this meeting is for one purpose, to elect a mayor, and he is in favor of Mr. Bequette. Jim Kuhn also offered his support to Mr. Bequette. He noted that his education and military service is commendable and he will back him all the way. Upon roll call, the following voted YES: Stark, Crunk, Johns and Briley. Voting NO: None. Motion carried.

Acting Mayor Briley administered the Oath of Office to Bryan W. Bequette as Successor Mayor of Nebraska City. Mayor Bequette thanked those present for their support and for e-mails from friends and family. He will work hard and learn and learn more. He thanked Mayor Hobbie for his leadership.

Meeting adjourned at 7:29 A.M

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Jacqueline A. Smith, Interim City Clerk-Treasurer