COUNCIL ROOM----------July 22, 2019

The Waukon City Council met in special session on July 22, 2019 at 5:30 o'clock P.M. in the council room of City Hall, 101 Allamakee Street, with Mayor Pat Stone presiding. Council members present: Gayle Decker, Arvid Hatlan, Ben Rausch, and John Lydon (arriving late). Council members absent: John Ellingson. Others present: City Manager Dean Hilgerson; Police Chief Phil Young; Assistant Police Chief Paul Wagner; WEDC- Ardie Kuhse; The Standard- Joe Moses; Fallon Cassidy; Darrek Elwood; and citizens.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

Moved by: Hatlan Seconded by: Rausch
To approve the agenda and roll call.
Yes: Hatlan, Rausch, Decker Absent: Ellingson, Lydon No: 0
The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Lydon arrived during discussion of hiring a police officer.
Moved by: Rausch Seconded by: Hatlan
To approve the hiring of Darrek Elwood, starting date of July 23rd, at a rate of $22.17 per hour, for a certified officer with 2 ½ years of experience for the Police Department.
Yes: 4 Absent: 1 No: 0
The Mayor declared the motion carried.

There was a short discussion regarding the new officer's place of residence. The Council didn't see an issue with him being located greater than 10 miles outside of the City limits.
No Action Taken.

Police Chief, Phil Young, swore in two police officers. The two recently hired police officers that were sworn in were Fallon Cassidy and Darrek Elwood.

The Mayor announced agenda item- Interview(s) for City Manager position.
Moved by: Decker Seconded by: Rausch
To enter into closed session under Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual has requested a closed session.
Yes: Hatlan, Rausch, Decker, Lydon Absent: Ellingson No: 0
The Mayor declared the motion carried.

The Mayor announced that he had to leave the meeting and handed the gavel over to Mayor Pro Tem, Decker.

Moved by: Decker Seconded by: Lydon
To enter into open session.
Yes: Hatlan, Rausch, Decker, Lydon Absent: Ellingson No: 0
The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Moved by: Decker Seconded by: Lydon
To rescind the prior motion and re-enter into closed session under Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i) to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual has requested a closed session.
Yes: Rausch, Decker, Lydon, Hatlan Absent: Ellingson No: 0
The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Moved by: Hatlan Seconded by: Rausch
To enter into open session.
Yes: Decker, Lydon, Hatlan, Rausch Absent: Ellingson No: 0
The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Moved by: Rausch Seconded by: Lydon
To agree that Decker and Hatlan go into contract negotiations on behalf of the City Council to extend an offer to Gary Boden for City Manager on Tuesday, July 23rd, with assistance from City Attorney, Jim Garrett and City Manager, Dean Hilgerson (by phone).
Yes: 4 Absent: 1 No: 0
The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Moved by: Rausch Seconded by: Lydon
To adjourn.
Yes: 4 Absent: 1 No: 0
The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Lana D. Snitker
City Clerk