

The Waukon City Council met in special session on March 13, 2017 at 7:00 o'clock P.M. in the Council Room of City Hall, 101 Allamakee Street, with Mayor Duane DeWalle presiding. Council members present: John Lydon, Dwight Jones, Don Steffens, Steve Wiedner and Ben Rausch. Council members absent: None. Others present: City Attorney James Garrett; Street Superintendent Keith Burrett; Water/Sewer Superintendent Robert Campbell; Ardie Kuhse – WEDC; Joe Cunningham; Joe Moses – The Standard; and citizens.

The Mayor called the meeting to order.

The council discussed the applications that were received for the vacancy in the Street Department. Interviews will be conducted by Mayor De Walle, Councilmembers Lydon and Steffens and Street Superintendent Keith Burrett and they will have a recommendation for the full Council at the March 20th meeting.

No Action Taken.

Moved by: Jones
To leave the starting wage for a new employee at the present rate.
Yes: 5
The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Seconded by: Steffens
No: 0

City Clerk Allen Lyon presented the Council information that the annual water rate increases of 2% were not keeping up with the costs of operations of the Water Department. He gave the example of comparing last year's 2% increase that raised the revenue of \$9,000.00 while unexpected major repairs to two wells were over \$85,000.00 during the same period. The Council may want to consider an infrastructure rate to recover operational expenditures that are out of the norm. After lengthy discussion the Council wanted more information for the next meeting.

No Action Taken.

Joe Cunningham briefed the Council on the job description for a City Manager that was being worked on.
Moved by: Wiedner
To accept the job description and move forward with the process.
Yes: 5
The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Seconded by: Lydon
No: 0

Moved by: Steffens
To Adjourn.
Yes: 5
The Mayor declared the motion carried.

Seconded by: Lydon
No: 0

Allen D. Lyon
City Clerk