


MINUTES
GOSHEN CITY COUNCIL
Special Meeting
June 20, 2019

- 1. CALL TO ORDER:** Council member Birch Wright called the special meeting of the Goshen City Council to order on June 20, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at Goshen City Hall.
- 2. ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM:** Paula Anderson, Angie Driver, John Vaillancourt and Birch Wright were present and a quorum was declared. Brian Hogue, City Attorney, was also present. Colton Martin and Bill Hewat were absent.
- 3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA:** A motion was made by Paula Anderson, with a second by Angie Driver, to approve the agenda. All voted in favor; the motion carried.
- 4. CITY BUSINESS – AN ORDINANCE REASSIGNING ACCOUNTING FUNCTIONS TO THE OFFICE MANAGER:** City council members were presented with packets that included this ordinance, upon arrival to city hall. The ordinance was not explained, discussed, nor were there any comments made. John Vaillancourt made a motion, seconded by Angie Driver, to read the ordinance by title only. A roll call vote was taken; all voted in favor and the motion carried. Brian Hogue then read the title of the ordinance. Angie Driver made a motion to suspend the rules and waive the second and third readings. Motion was seconded by John Vaillancourt. A roll call vote was taken; all voted in favor and the motion carried. Max Poye asked if the city will have an audit or CPA firm. Birch Wright commented that an audit had been called a couple of months ago but the recorder/treasurer had to delay it possibly due to personal reasons. He said these actions were being taken because of the delinquent bills and payroll needing to be processed in a timely manner. Zeb Rone asked what was suspended, if it will be a state or private audit. John Vaillancourt made a motion, with a second by Paula Anderson, to adopt the ordinance. A roll call vote was taken; all voted in favor and the motion carried. A motion was made by Angie Driver, with a second by John Vaillancourt, to adopt the emergency clause. A roll call vote was taken; all voted in favor and the motion carried.
- 5. REPORTS/COMMENTS BY MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL, CITY ATTORNEY OR RECORDER/TREASURER:** There were no additional comments. Birch Wright commented that the recorder/treasurer is not here.
- 6. PUBLIC INPUT:** There was public input. Zeb Rone asked the city attorney what steps might be taken to remove the recorder/treasurer from office. Brian Hogue said if nonfeasance is at play the prosecuting attorney can pursue action to have elected official removed from office. Zeb Rone asked if there is a petition from the citizens for recall? Will this add to Lora's hours? Max Poye thought there was a way to recall an elected official by percentage of people voted in the last election or overall people that voted. Birch Wright will ask council to do research and Birch will personally contact the Municipal League. Brian Hogue said he would do that. Birch Wright personally thanked Lora for stepping up and taking care of this for us, knowing it is extra work.
- 7. ADJOURNMENT:** There being no further business, a motion was made by Angie Driver and seconded by John Vaillancourt to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 6:38 p.m.

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Recorder / Treasurer


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July 15, 2019

I hereby officially announce that I am retiring from my position as Recorder/Treasurer for the City of Goshen; therefore, I am tendering my resignation effective today, July 15, 2019 at 11:59 p.m. There are many good people in Goshen, and it has been my pleasure to serve them on two separate occasions for a total of approximately 12.5 years.

My family has deep roots in Goshen spanning more than a century, and my husband and I have lived here for approximately 30 years. My interest in serving in this position was to become involved in our community, and during this time, it has been my privilege to meet, become acquainted and develop friendships with many wonderful people in Goshen and the surrounding area. I am honored and grateful to have received the support of so many residents over the years, and I thank all of them for entrusting me to serve in this position.

I wish the fine people in Goshen only the best in the future.

Sincerely,


Sharon Baggett