

# MINUTES

## Public Hearing and City Council meeting May 13, 2014

### OFFICIALS PRESENT

Mayor Larry Davison, Councilperson & Mayor Pro Tempore William Griffin, Councilperson Bob Petty  
Councilperson Chris Gaschler, Councilperson Gregg Bisso, Councilperson Sharon Aust

### VILLAGE EMPLOYEES PRESENT

Chief of Police Gary Phillips, City Secretary Sandra Miller  
CITY ATTORNEY WAS PRESENT – Timothy Kirwin

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#### 10. REGULAR SESSION

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*No motion was made – No action will be taken.*

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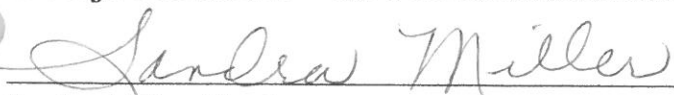
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#### 13. ADJOURNMENT – CITY COUNCIL MEETING



Sandra Miller, City Secretary

MINUTES  
Special City Council Meeting May 20, 2014

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Newly Elected: Troy McMinn, Council and Elizabeth Brown, Council

Employees Present: Sandra Miller, City Secretary and Chief of Police Gary Phillips

1. Call Special Meeting to order.
2. Moment of Silence
3. Pledge of Allegiance

1. Canvass the returns and declare the results of the General Election.

The result of the election was approved.

2. Issue Certificate of Election

Chief Phillips as a notary was able to issue certificates.

3. Execute the "Oath of Office" to newly elected officer.

Chief Phillips as a notary was able to issue the oath of office to Councilman Bisso, Councilman McMinn, Councilwoman Brown and Mayor Davison.

4. Appoint Mayor Pro Tempore.

Mayor Davison suggested the appointment of Councilman Troy McMinn because he received the most votes, had the same two year election cycle and had the most experience of the Council members. Councilwoman Brown made the motion to appoint Councilman McMinn; there was no second. Councilman Gaschler made the motion to appoint Councilman Gregg Bisso, second by Councilwoman Aust - Councilman Bisso was in favor and it was noted that he was allowed to vote for himself per the city attorney - with a majority in favor the motion passed. Councilman Bisso was appointed as Mayor Pro Tempore.

The meeting was adjourned.

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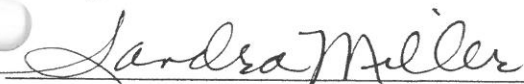
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