

CITY OF ELKHORN COMMON COUNCIL

SPECIAL MEETING

MINUTES OF MAY 13, 2013

The special meeting of the Elkhorn Common Council was called to order at 5:01 PM by Mayor Reynolds followed by the Pledge of Allegiance and Roll Call.

Members Present: Mayor Reynolds, Alderman Payson, Alderman McClory, Alderman D'Allesandro, Alderman Rehberg, and Alderman Olson

Others Present: City Attorney Phillips City Administrator Tapson, City Engineer Welsh, Fire Chief Smith, Police Chief Christensen, James Boardman, Tom Myrin, John Karcher, and Ken Meinel

Meeting called to order a 5:01 p.m. by Mayor Reynolds.

City Attorney Philips provided a written opinion regarding the options available for the term of office of an individual appointed to fill a vacancy in the office of Alderman. Phillips informed the Council that the appointee could either serve for the balance of the remainder of the term of office, or be appointed to serve until the April election of 2014 at which time a special election would be held for the remaining one year of the term. Alderman Olson expressed concern that a one year appointment, followed by a special election, could result in as many as four seats turning over in April. Alderman Payson offered that it has been accepted practice that individuals appointed to fill a vacancy would stand for election at the next regularly scheduled city election. Motion by McClory, second by Payson that the person appointed to fill the District 5 Alderman vacancy shall serve for the remainder of the unexpired term through April 2015. On roll call the motion was *failed* 2-3, therefore the appointee shall serve until April 2014 and a special election shall be held to fill the remainder of the term through April 2015.

Prior to interviewing applicants for the alderman vacancy, Alderman Rehberg stated that he would not cast a vote for any of the candidates due to business conflicts.

Each of the four candidates was then interviewed by the Council. At the conclusion of interviews, the Council decided that each Council member; not to include Mayor Reynolds, would rate each candidate on scale of 1-4, with "1" being the highest rated and "4" the lowest. The candidate receiving the lowest total point score would then be offered for Council appointment. All candidates received an identical score of 10 on the first ballot. On the second ballot, James Boardman received the lowest total score and was presented for appointment. On voice vote, the appointment of Mr. Boardman was approved on a vote of two ayes, one nay, and two aldermen abstaining.

Motion to adjourn by Olson; second by Payson. Meeting adjourned at 5:50 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

Sam Tapson, City Administrator