

CITY OF MONTEVIDEO
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL MEETING
December 26, 2018

The city council met in a special meeting on Wednesday, December 26, 2018 in the conference room at city hall. Council President Garbe called the meeting to order at 5:30 P.M. The special meeting had been set by notice dated December 20, 2018 for the purpose of considering an offer of a contractor for an interim city manager; considering approval of the final Williams estate/veterans home settlement and escrow agreements; and, for such other business as may come before the council.

Council members present: Marvin Garbe, Bryce Curtiss (5:32 P.M.), Todd Hay, Nathan Schmidt and Sandra Hodge. Absent: None. Mayor Debra Lee Fader absent.

Also present were: City Clerk Glennis Lauritsen.

WILLIAMS ESTATE AGREEMENTS

Final Williams Estate/veterans home Settlement and Escrow Agreements were provided for review and consideration.

- Settlement Agreement. President Garbe explained that the final donation amount is \$2,937,328.83, assuming that no taxes are owing.

It was moved by Schmidt, seconded by Hay and unanimously passed to approve the Settlement Agreement, as presented.

Council member Curtiss arrived at 5:32 P.M.

- Escrow Agreement. President Garbe explained that due to a change in KleinBank ownership (to Old National), their fee has now increased from \$1,500 to \$3,000. In a special EDA meeting held this morning, the EDA approved the expense. The proposed Escrow Agreement reflects that change, in addition to a date change in 7.b. - Disbursement, minor language change in 12 - Audit and a re-write of 13 - Data Practices Act.

It was moved by Hodge, seconded by Schmidt and unanimously passed to approve the Escrow Agreement, as modified and presented.

INTERIM CITY MANAGER CONTRACT

Council members Hay and Schmidt reported on the results of the phone interview conducted December 20th with interim city manager candidate Rick Almich. Both noted that they felt Almich would be a good fit for Montevideo based on his background and experience. Mayor elect Jim Curtiss was present in the audience and added that he had spoken with people from the Springfield area, whose comments were good and highly recommended Almich for the position.

Almich's proposal included a work schedule of 24-30 hours per week, spread over 3-4 days; an hourly rate of \$75.00 (no hourly charge for travel time commuting to/from Montevideo); mileage rate of 54.5 cents per mile, including miles driven to/from Montevideo; and lodging reimbursement, when required.

It was moved by Hay, seconded by Curtiss and unanimously passed to offer the position to Almich, beginning December 27, 2018.

OTHER

Brief discussion took place regarding the EDA housing study, future improvements (public works building and veterans home infrastructure), project bonding, 2nd Street hill project and signal lights at County Road 15 & Highway 7.

Meeting adjourned at 5:42 P.M.

Secretary

Approved by council January 7, 2019:

President