



NAPAVINE CITY COUNCIL
December 27, 2016 ~ 6:00 p.m.
City Hall 407 Birch Ave SW, Napavine

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Sayers called the *special meeting* of the City Council to order at 6:00 pm. and led the flag salute.

Mayor Sayers stated that the first item of business was going to be the appointment of a new Councilmember.

**APPOINT LONG-EMPTY
COUNCIL SEAT:**

Mayor Sayers invited Robert Wheeler to join him and proceeded to appoint him to Council Position #4 and swore Mr. Wheeler in by administering the Oath of Office. The Mayor asked for confirmation from Councilors Slemple and Sullivan, which they agreed to appointment. Councilor Wheeler signed the certificate of appointment and took his place at Position #4. (Note: Mr. Wheeler made mention of threats being made to him, but dismissed them).

(Note: Comments were made from the audience that was unclear in replaying the recording that folks were to refrain from comments and should they continue he would have them removed from the meeting).

ROLL CALL: Councilmembers present were Slemple, Sullivan and Wheeler.

**RECOGNIZE LETTERS
OF RESIGNATION:**

Mayor Sayers stated that letters of resignation had been received from Armondo Galaviz and LaVerne Haslett. *Councilor Slemple moved to accept the resignations of LaVerne Haslett and Armondo Galaviz, seconded by Councilor Sullivan, motion passed unanimously.*

PUBLISHED AGENDA: *Councilor Slemple moved to approve the agenda as written, seconded by Councilor Sullivan, motion passed unanimously.*

CITIZENS BUSINESS: None

**STAFF/COUNCIL
REPORTS:**

Mayor Sayers stated that there would be no staff or council reports this evening.

**ORDINANCE NO. 556
ADOPT 2017 BUDGET:**

Councilor Slemp asked the Mayor if she could ask a question, whereas she asked Councilor Wheeler if he had had adequate time to review the budget, which he confirmed he had and understood it. The Mayor called for a motion. Councilor Sullivan moved to adopt Ordinance No. 556, 2017 Budget, as written, seconded by Councilor Slemp; under discussion Mayor Sayers stated to the audience that he knows they're at the meeting for this issue, and for public input he said that Steve Ashley's time with the city would be over at the end of 2017, that there were projects and other issues he's working on (Again, outbursts from the audience were inaudible as to who said them or what they said but the Mayor banged his gavel to silence the crowd and reiterated that if further action continued folks would be removed with the next outburst. He also made statement that he and his family had received intimidating comments from people, and that you know who you are stating I don't need this, I've been doing this for over 20 years, and I'm a volunteer. A comment was made, and the Mayor's response was that we've had input from the public on the budget numerous occasions and that there would not be input on the budget this evening. I believe someone asked when they would be able to give public input and the Mayor responded that there's a meeting on the 17th, be there. The Mayor asked council had further discussion but was interrupted by another questions from the audience, whereas the Mayor asked Mr. Haberstroh to remove himself from the meeting, which he did.) The Mayor called for show of hands with Councilors Slemp, Sullivan and Haberstroh voting Yea, motion passed unanimously.


GOOD OF THE ORDER: Penny Jo

- 1) Read a letter of thanks from Louise Burt's in which she praised city workers who promptly replaced lights that were out on the pedestrian overpass, and for sanding the overpass to keep it from being icy. Penny Jo said that Rob Morris was responsible for that maintenance and should be thanked.
- 2) Stated that she'd received two (2) letter of interest for council positions, and that they would be addressed at the January 17th meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Councilor Slemp moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Councilor Sullivan, motion passed unanimously. Mayor Sayers adjourned the meeting at 6:38 pm

Respectfully submitted,



John Sayers
Mayor



Councilmember



Penny Jo Haney
City Clerk