

STATE CENTER COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
Special Organizational Meeting
January 11, 2022, 6:30 p.m.
City Hall, 118 E Main St, State Center

Mayor Pfantz called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. Council in attendance: Grant (15 min from zoom then arrived at City Hall), Nichols, Quick, Shaffar. Absent: Darrow. Also attending were L Bearden, J Robinson, Chief Thomas, Z Faught (Zoom), Fire Chief Pfantz (Zoom), Chris Davis (Zoom).

Mayor Pfantz made the following appointments:

Mayor ProTem: Quick

Electric Committee: Darrow (C), Shaffar, Nichols

Public Works: Nichols (C), Quick, Darrow

Public Safety: Shaffar (C), Darrow, Grant

Finance/Personnel: Quick (C), Nichols, Grant

Parks/Library/City Hall: Grant (C), Quick, Shaffar

Marshall Co. Solid Waste Commission: Shaffar

Marshall Co. Emergency Management: C. Pfantz, B. Pfantz as proxy

Marshall Co. Communications Commission: C. Pfantz, B. Pfantz as proxy

911 Commission: B. Pfantz, Grant as proxy

Kauffman Selection Committee: C. Pfantz, Quick

SCDA: C. Pfantz

Gutekunst Library: Quick

Region 6 Planning Commission: C. Pfantz

The mayor and council re-evaluated a 2010 Council Rules of Procedure Policy. Items to be updated: meeting day as third Tuesday of month, Robert's Rule 12th ed., add discussion paragraph ahead of closing debate paragraph, public comment will be returned to beginning of meeting. There was discussion regarding public needing to be recognized before speaking, stay on topic and be respectful of the fact that the council meeting is a business meeting. The clerk asked about preference regarding council packets. The packets will stay electronic and available to public and council via the statecenteriowa.org website. She also spoke of having a firm deadline for claims and items for agenda. The deadline will be end of business the Thursday prior to the Tuesday meeting with packets available electronically by end of business Friday.

Mayor Pfantz asked council for their goals for the City. The following items were identified, in no particular order or priority: new Fire Station, new subdivision, complete water treatment plant, continue street improvement, wastewater treatment plant, 5-year water and sanitary sewer line improvement, brush burn site, sidewalks/walking paths emphasis on safe routes to and between schools, electric vehicle charging stations, gravel roads improved to paved, RV park, continue electric underground and system upgrades. It was noted that Chief Thomas has made much progress in city nuisance abatement. The clerk discussed the budget process, shared the max levy form that will be on next week's agenda. She also shared a preliminary FY23 certification page. The department heads have been responsible for developing their department budgets with the clerk fitting everything together for council review and discussion/revision. Under other discussion, Robinson, at request of electric committee, has researched completing an electric rate study. Cost expected to be \$10,000.00. He will continue to plan for completing a study. Chief Thomas shared that he and the clerk had met by Zoom with representatives of Sheffield, IA to learn how they were contracting with "Wireless Guardian" to provide a "pod" Wi-Fi service in State Center. Council indicated their willingness to meet with Wireless Guardian reps to learn more about this possibility.

There being no further business, motion by Shaffar, 2nd by Nichols to adjourn at 8:20 p.m.



Craig Pfantz, Mayor

Attest:



Lori Bearden, City Clerk