

LAKELAND SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES / JANUARY 6, 2017

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OFFICIAL RECORDED MINUTES OF LAKELAND SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FRIDAY, JANUARY 6, 2017

SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING

CITY COUNCIL PRESENT: Mayor Richard Glasgow, Council Member James Stanton, Council Member Shayne Orning

CITY COUNCIL ABSENT: Council Member Joe Paiement

STAFF PRESENT: City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone

STAFF ABSENT: City Attorney Dave Snyder, City Treasurer Tom Niedzwiecki, City Engineer John Parotti

1. CALL TO ORDER by Mayor Glasgow at 5:03 p.m.
2. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIENCE was recited.
3. ADOPT AGENDA  
**Motion: Council Member Stanton / Second: Council Member Orning to adopt Agenda. No discussion. All Ayes (3-0). Motion carried. Time Stamp 1:45**
4. RESOLUTION 2017-01: Declaring a City Council Vacancy:  
**Motion: Council Member Stanton / Second: Council Member Orning to adopt Resolution 2017-01. No discussion. All Ayes (3-0). Motion carried. Time Stamp 2:40**
5. RESOLUTION 2017-02: Appointing Tami Fahey to City Council Vacant Seat:  
**Motion: Council Member Stanton/ Second: Council Member Orning to adopt Resolution 2017-02 appointing Tami Fahey to vacant city council seat. No further discussion. All Ayes (3-0). Motion carried. Time Stamp 3:27**
6. OATH OF OFFICE: CITY COUNCIL MEMBER TAMI FAHEY  
City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone administered the Oath of Office to City Council Member Tami Fahey. Council Member Fahey briefly introduced herself noting she has lived in Lakeland for one year with her family. **Time Stamp 6:15**
7. RESOLUTION 2017-03: Not to Resume Construction and To Cease All Phases Moving Forward with the New City Hall Project:  
Mayor Glasgow explained the New City Hall building was destroyed due to arson on November 13<sup>th</sup>, 2016. He stated a motion would be considered to not rebuild the new city hall.  
**Motion: Council Member Orning / Second: Council Member Fahey to adopt Resolution 2017-03 Not to Resume Construction and To Cease All Phases Moving Forward with the New City Hall Project. Discussion ensued (Council Member Stanton). All Ayes (4-0). Motion carried. Time Stamp 8:32**

8. RESOLUTION 2017-04 APPOINTING JAMES STANTON AS DISTRICT FIRE BOARD REPRESENTATIVE:

Mayor Glasgow stated the resolution is for the city council to appoint a representative to the Lower Saint Croix Valley Fire Protection District. He reported Council Member Stanton was previously the representative for Lakeland Shores. Mayor Glasgow said he would step down as a representative and Council Member Stanton would be appointed as the chairperson.

**Motion: Council Member Orning / Second: Council Member Fahey to adopt Resolution 2017-04 Appointing James Stanton as District Fire Board Representative. No discussion. Ayes (3-0-1-Abstained-Council Member Stanton). Time Stamp 10:21**

9. LAKELAND CITY HALL REMODEL

Mayor Glasgow stated as plans have changed to not continue with rebuilding the new city hall, to instead remodel the city hall. The process would start with directing staff to post bids. Council Member Stanton referred to a previous proposal bid for remodeling the building at the \$170,000 range. He volunteered to assist City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone in putting together a bid (RFP). City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone stated she could bring the RFP to the next regular city council meeting. Council Member Stanton inquired how long the process takes. City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone stated it typically should be out there for at least a month, as publishing is required, as well. Additionally, as a smaller city bids are slower to come in. Mayor Glasgow inquired about utilizing the city workshop to further discuss.

**Motion: Council Member Stanton / Second: Council Member Fahey to put together an RFP to present at the next regular city council meeting on January 17, 2017. No discussion. All Ayes (4-0). Time Stamp 15:06**

10. SNOW PLOWING CONTRACT

Council Member Stanton confirmed Public Works Director Matt Kline was no longer with the city of Lakeland. City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone confirmed his last date of employment with the city was January 6, 2017. She confirmed, as well that Public Works Operator Joshua Conroy was still employed full-time with the city as of December 2016. Council Member Stanton reported he previously was a Public Works Commissioner. He recently spoke with Ben Thurmes of Tri-County Services, who said he just needed a point of contact since the Public Works Director departure. He requested to fill the need in the interim. City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone suggested designating him as a Roads Commissioner until decisions are made regarding Matt's position. Mayor Glasgow confirmed designating Council Member Stanton as a Public Works Commissioner to be ratified at the next regular city council meeting. **Time Stamp 19:01**

11. WATER DEPARTMENT DISCUSSION

[see meeting video recording on the Lakeland website for individual comments]

Mayor Glasgow reported he discussed some options regarding the water department with Council Member Stanton, to include hiring an outside entity as a sub-contractor. Council Member Stanton inquired of City Treasurer Tom Niedzwiecki whether or not sub-contracting the water department out could work financially. He reported it was possible financially. Mayor Glasgow explained the water department would be completely separated from city administration with no overlap. City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone inquired on the effect of these changes on the current Public Works Operator Joshua Conroy's position. Mayor Glasgow stated he would plan to retain his position while working under the sub-contractor.

Public comments; Chris White, 311 Queenan Avenue South reminded the council of all of the other responsibilities Public Works position entails, especially noting the maintenance of the parks. Discussion ensued (Council Member Stanton, Mayor Glasgow, City Administrator/Clerk Sandie Thone). **Time Stamp 24:29**

**12. ADJOURN: Motion: Council Member Stanton / Second: Council Member Orning to Adjourn the Special City Council Meeting. All Ayes (4-0). Meeting adjourned at 5:28 p.m.**

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Richard Glasgow, Mayor

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Sandie Thone, City Administrator/Clerk