

MINUTES SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING
REYNOLDSBURG CITY COUNCIL
Tuesday January 20, 2004

President William L. Hills called the special meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

Members of Council present: Brett Baxter, Eric Gilbert, Mel Clemens, Lane J. Beougher, Ron Stake, Preston Stearns.

Mr. Hills stated that he sincerely appreciated all of the interest in the Council At Large seat. He said there were eighteen applicants, sixteen of whom went fully through the process. Mr. Hills said the decision was difficult, and there was a lot of discussion. He stated that he respected all of the efforts of Council. Mr. Hills asked for a motion to fill the Council At Large vacancy. Mr. Gilbert thanked Mr. Hills for the process that he had put in place; that it had been very informative, and provided ample opportunity to learn a great deal about the candidates. Mr. Gilbert moved that Antoinette Newman be the next Councilperson At Large. Mr. Stearns seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Baxter "Yea"; Mr. Gilbert "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Beougher "Yea"; Mr. Stake "Yea"; Mr. Stearns "Yea". Motion passed.

Mr. Hills administered the Oath of Office to Mrs. Newman.

Mr. Clemens moved to recess for committee meetings; Mr. Gilbert seconded. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Baxter "Yea"; Mr. Gilbert "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mr. Beougher "Yea"; Mr. Stake "Yea"; Mr. Stearns "Yea"; Mrs. Newman "Yea". Motion passed. Mr. Hills said Council would reconvene after the Committee meetings. Council recessed at 7:05 p.m.

Council reconvened at 8:38 p.m. With the roll called, members responding were: Mr. Baxter "Present"; Mr. Gilbert "Present"; Mr. Clemens "Present"; Mrs. Newman "Present"; Mr. Beougher "Present"; Mr. Stake "Present"; Mr. Stearns "Present".

Executive Session for (1) conducting collective bargaining strategy; and (2) to consider the employment of public employees. - - Mr. Clemens moved to recess for Executive Session. Mr. Beougher seconded. Mr. Hills said those attending the Executive Session would be Council, Clerk of Council, Mayor, Attorneys Fishel and Underwood, Chief of Police, Human Resources Director. With the roll called, members voted: Mr. Baxter "Yea"; Mr. Gilbert "Yea"; Mr. Clemens "Yea"; Mrs. Newman "Yea"; Mr. Beougher "Yea"; Mr. Stake "Yea"; Mr. Stearns "Yea". Motion passed. Mr. Hills said following the Executive Session, Council would reconvene only to call the roll and adjourn. Council recessed at 8:38 p.m.

Council reconvened at 10:28 p.m. With the roll called, members responding were: Mr. Baxter "Present"; Mr. Gilbert "Present"; Mr. Clemens "Present"; Mrs. Newman "Present"; Mr. Stake "Present"; Mr. Stearns "Present".

Meeting adjourned at 10:28 p.m.

William L. Hills, President of Council

Nancy C. Frazier, Clerk of Council