

## PROCEEDINGS OF THE BELOIT CITY COUNCIL Special Meeting 100 State Street, Beloit, WI 53511 Thursday, June 9, 2014

Presiding:

Mark Spreitzer

Present:

Sheila De Forest, Charles M. Haynes, Ana Kelly, (arrived at 6:14 p.m.), Chuck Kincaid, and David

F. Luebke

Absent:

None

- 1. The meeting was called to order at 6:05 p.m. in the Forum at Beloit City Hall.
- 2. President Spreitzer reviewed the written questionnaire and procedures to be used for interviewing selected applicants to fulfill the vacancy on the Beloit City Council. Councilor Luebke made a motion to adopt the questionnaire, and Councilor Kincaid seconded. The motion carried 6-0.
- 3. Councilor Haynes suggested that the council wait until 6:15 p.m. to allow for Ana Kelly to arrive if possible. Beginning at 6:15 p.m. each applicant was called to the podium and the interviews were conducted. The candidates appearing were: James Faragher, Mike Zoril, Regina D. Hendrix, Dorothy J. Harrell, Mark E. Preuschl, and Jason Dowd.
- 4. The Council took a five minute recess starting at 7:40 p.m. At 7:49 p.m. President Spreitzer resumed the meeting. Councilor Luebke made a motion that a vote be taken to select the new Councilor, and Councilor Kincaid seconded. Councilor De Forest asked for more time to discuss the gaps in representation. The motion to vote failed 3-3 with Councilors De Forest, Kelly and Spreitzer voting in opposition. Councilor De Forest asked the Council to consider a person of color considering the diversity of our community and someone of a different perspective. Councilor Kincaid concurred with Councilor De Forest. President Spreitzer said he would like to see someone who could be a future leader of the Council and serve multiple terms. Councilor Luebke made a motion to proceed to a vote, and Councilor Haynes seconded. The motion carried 6-0.
- 5. Deputy Clerk Judy Elson distributed the ballots and the City Councilors voted by secret ballot. The vote was a tie with three votes for Dorothy J. Harrell and three votes for Regina D. Hendrix. Candidate Dorothy J. Harrell withdrew her name. President Spreitzer made a motion to appoint Regina D. Hendrix as the new City Councilor, and Councilor Luebke seconded. The motion carried 6-0, and Regina D. Hendrix was selected by acclimation.
- 6. At 8:04 p.m. Councilor Kincaid made a motion to adjourn the meeting, and Councilor Luebke seconded. The motion carried. 6-0

Jelene J. Ahrens, WCMC, City Clerk

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