

DIAMOND CITY SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING AGENDA
DIAMOND CITY, ARKANSAS
August 16, 2018 7:00 p.m.
Diamond City Community Center
232 Grand Avenue, Diamond City, AR 72644

1. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
2. Call to Order: Acting Mayor, Jim Wisnieski (Please silence all cell phones)
3. *Roll Call: Tina Jackson, City Recorder*
4. Comments from the Public (Agenda Items) *If you wish to speak to an agenda item, please put your name and topic on the paper provided and turn them into the Recorder.- 3 minutes)*
5. **Approve Agenda**
6. **Reports**
 - A. NONE
7. **New Business**
 - A. Presentation, debate and vote on a Resolution to hire Steven L. Grady as City Attorney for Diamond City, Arkansas, approving Steven L. Grady's engagement letter, and authorizing the acting Mayor and Recorder to execute the approved engagement letter.
 - B. Presentation of a Resolution to accept the resignation of Mayor Jan Hudson; If the City Attorney Resolution is passed, then Steven L. Grady will advise the Town Council concerning liability and other legal issues concerning the acceptance of Mayor Jan Hudson's resignation.
 - C. **EXECUTIVE SESSION-** To discuss accepting or rejecting the resignation of Mayor Jan Hudson and to discuss potential replacements for Mayor;
 - D. Vote on the Resolution to accept the resignation of Mayor Jan Hudson;
 - E. Attorney advice session concerning legal issues and the Freedom of Information Act requirements;
8. **Old Business**
 - A. NONE
9. Comments from the Public (Any Issue related to City Business - 3 minutes)
10. Announcements – Next Regular Council Meeting will be August 28, 2018 @ 7:00 p.m.
11. Adjourn

SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES OF THE DIAMOND CITY CITY COUNCIL
August 16, 2018 7:00 P.M.
DIAMOND CITY COMMUNITY CENTER
232 Grand Ave., Diamond City, AR 72644

Invocation: Gina Whited

Pledge of Allegiance: Rick Van Dyke

Call to order: Acting Mayor, Jim Wisnieski @ 7:14 p.m.

Roll Call: Tina Jackson, City Recorder

Gina Whited	Present
Don Bennett	Present
Larry Brown	Absent
Rick Van Dyke	Present
Jim Wisnieski	Present
Carolyn Arnold	Via Skype

Approval of the Agenda: Jim Wisnieski asked for a motion to approve agenda. Rick Van Dyke made a motion to approve the agenda and was seconded by Carolyn Arnold. All present and skyped voted yes by roll call vote.

Motion passed.

RESOLUTION 05-2018 – HIRING OF STEVEN L. GRADY, ATTORNEY:

Resolution 05-2018 was read aloud to public and Council.

Jim Wisnieski made recommendation to hire Steven L. Grady to be the City Attorney.

Rick Van Dyke made a motion to waive the 2nd reading of the Resolution, second by Jim Wisnieski.

All present and skyped voted yes by roll call vote.

Motion Passed

Rick Van Dyke made a motion to waive the 3rd reading of the Resolution, second by Jim Wisnieski.

All present and skyped voted yes by roll call vote.

Motion Passed

Rick Van Dyke made a motion to hire Steven L. Grady as City Attorney, second by Jim Wisnieski.

All present and skyped voted yes by roll call vote.

Motion Passed

RESOLUTION 06-2018 – ACCEPT MAYOR HUDSON’S RESIGNATION:

Attorney, Steven Grady explained to the public the letter of resignation that was submitted by Mayor Hudson to be effective June 13, 2018. Jim Wisnieski commented that the Council had concerns regarding any possible Council liabilities that may arise. Mr. Grady explained that since the resignation letter was written in Ms. Hudson’s handwriting, no concern for litigation is needed.

Rick Van Dyke made a motion to accept Mayor Hudson’s resignation, second by Jim Wisnieski.

Roll call vote:

Carolyn Arnold – yes (via skype)

Don Bennett – yes

Jim Wisnieski – yes

Gina Whited – abstain

Rick Van Dyke – yes

Motion Passed

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Not necessary per Attorney, Steven Grady.

ATTORNEY ADVICE SESSION:

Recommendation was given by Mr. Grady to wait until the next Regular Council meeting to consider appointing an Interim Mayor. He advised the Council not to discuss personal preference between each other regarding the appointment of Interim Mayor.

Mr. Grady addressed the Council on outside discussion laws.

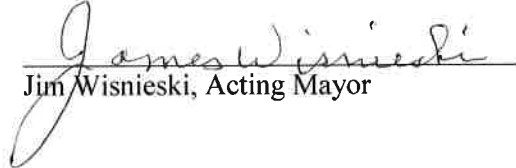
Adjourn:

Rick Van Dyke made a motion to adjourn, second by Jim Wisnieski. All were in favor by voice vote. Meeting was adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

ATTEST:


Tina Jackson, City Recorder

APPROVED:


Jim Wisnieski, Acting Mayor