

January 16, 2020

The City Council of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado, met this day in the Council Chambers of City Hall. The Honorable Mayor Ron Shaver called the special meeting to order at 4:30 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call: Present: Honorable Mayor Ron Shaver
Councilmember Clint Anderson
Councilmember Lyn Deal
Councilmember Allison Howe
Councilmember Kevin Lindell
Councilmember Doug Schossow
Councilmember Brian Urdiales

The meeting was also attended by Public Works Director Steve Glammeyer, Water Resources/Utilities Director Brent Nation, City Treasurer Jean Kinney, Executive Assistant Sharon Velder, FMPD Commander Jared Crone, FMPD Officers David Montoya and Evan Schiel, Economic Development Specialist Sarah Crosthwaite, Community Services Director Ty Hamer, Human Resources/Risk Management Director Susan Kurk and Deputy City Manager/City Clerk/PIO John Brennan.

COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF AN ACTING CITY MANAGER

Mayor Ron Shaver said the city charter required the council to appoint an acting city manager in the event of a vacancy in the city manager position, and asked for the council's thoughts on this matter. Councilmember Lyn Deal offered a resolution that Brent Nation be appointed acting city manager until the city manager position is filled. Councilmember Allison Howe asked if Nation had been asked about such an appointment and Shaver said he had. Nation then said he had been talked to and was willing to accept this appointment. Howe seconded the resolution and it was approved unanimously.

COUNCIL APPOINTMENT OF AN ACTING POLICE CHIEF

Shaver said the charter also required the appointment of an interim police chief and that FMPD Commander Jared Crone had performed those duties previously and was willing to do so again. Councilmember Doug Schossow offered a resolution to appoint Jared Crone as interim police chief until a permanent chief of police could be found. That resolution was seconded by Councilmember Clint Anderson and approved unanimously.

REVIEW OF A SEPARATION AGREEMENT WITH JEFF WELLS

Shaver said this agenda item was no longer needed because what was to be reviewed was not a separation agreement but a memorandum outlining the instructions regarding former city manager Wells' departure following his termination by the council two days earlier, such as turning in keys and credit cards, cleaning out his office, etc. Since most of those actions had already been completed, Shaver said it was the opinion of the city attorneys that this review was no longer necessary.

Councilmember Kevin Lindell suggested that it might be wise for the city to contact CIRSA regarding potential liabilities for the city and the council stemming from Wells' termination, and Shaver said he believed the city attorneys had already done that

Mayor Shaver adjourned the January 16, 2020, special meeting at 4:37 p.m.

/s/ Ronald Shaver
Mayor

/s/ John Brennan
City Clerk