

Minutes for a Special Emergency Meeting of the
Lamberton City Council • City Office
May 11, 2021 – 6:30 PM
(UNOFFICIAL UNTIL COUNCIL APPROVED)

I. CALL TO ORDER/ADOPT AGENDA/CEREMONIAL DUTIES

Present: Mayor L. Sik, D. Irlbeck, J. Senst, and T. Beermann. Absent: D. Knutson
Staff in Attendance: M. Peterson, C. Fenger

Motion/Second/Pass (Senst/Beermann/unanimous) to adopt the agenda as presented.

II. CONSENT AGENDA & GENERAL BUSINESS

A) PETITIONS, REQUESTS & COMMUNICATIONS

1. The resignation of Police Chief Robert Hillesheim was acknowledged. Sik said Hillesheim indicated he was being micromanaged by an individual councilman. Sik reminded all that an individual councilman should not be supervising or directing personnel, as that is a function of the council as a whole body. Sik said there was no affirmation from Hillesheim if an agreement could be reached under an alternative agreement.

Police department patrol was discussed. The public has questioned why they do not see patrol; however, the police do not patrol when the time allotment for them does not allow for it due to other duties that have taken priority.

Further discussion ensued regarding the limited, part-time license of our other peace officer, Chuck Fenger.

Motion/Second/Pass (Beermann/Senst) to accept the resignation of Robert Hillesheim effective May 31, 2021. Voting in favor: Beermann, Senst, Irlbeck. Voting against: Sik.

Discussion continued. In general, it is difficult to find a peace officer. Senst indicated Colby Davis is interested in serving Lamberton. Officer Fenger joined the meeting for input.

Fenger would like to continue serving Lamberton and offered suggestions.

Motion/Second/Pass (Beermann/Senst/unanimous) to advertise for a Police Chief until filled. Either full or part-time will be considered but must have full-time peace officer license.

III. ADJOURNMENT

Motion/Second/Pass (Irlbeck/Beermann/unanimous) to adjourn the meeting. Mayor Sik declared the council meeting adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,
Madonna Peterson, Clerk

Approved,
Lydell Sik, Mayor
