

**August 15, 2024, Town of Sheridan Special Council Meeting at Sheridan Town Hall (103. E Hamilton)**

**Attendees:** Jan Bowey and Diane Kaatz. Absent: Curtis Green. Also in attendance were interim Mayor Tammy Todd and Clerk/Treasurer Jennifer Meacham.

**Guests:** Gary Hilliker, Lon Seidel, Donna Stump, Bob Stump, Michael Brer, Stephanie Krueger, Jim Kaatz, Dan Kenworthy, and Kristi Millhouse.

Interim Mayor Tammy Todd called to order at 4:33PM and pledge was recited.

**Public comment not on the agenda:** Gary Hilliker questioned why the meeting was at 4:30 instead of the normal meeting time of 6pm. The response was that it is an agreeable time for the council during this County Fair week.

**Public comment on the agenda:** Gary had concerns about the appointment of Bob Stump for mayor, because of how he left the city before with unfinished business. Jim addressed Gary's comments about Bob's previous mayorship and why Bob stepped down.

**Unfinished Business:**

**Mayor Oath of Office:** Robert Stump recited the oath of office as it was officiated by Tammy.

**Mayor Compensation:** Tammy spoke with Bob previous to the meeting, and he has recommended part time 20-30 hours per week and is recommending a \$25 per hour compensation with no benefits to include no pension (PERS). Bob has 6 years of previous experience as mayor and served on the town council for about a year. For the first few months he said he would be working 30 hours a week then would work about 20 hours a week following. A suggestion was a flat salary of \$2000 a month. Gary discussed giving a raise to the mayor now when in the past the town council didn't want to give a raise to the mayor. Diane had a few comments about the consideration of experience and the rise in the cost of living. With no further comment, Jan motioned to compensate Mayor Bob Stump at a flat rate of \$2000 per month with no benefits. Seconded by Diane. All in favor. Motion carried.

**Financial Report for July:** Council asked for clarification on some of the claims, especially the larger purchases. Jennifer explained the purchases and the council approved them.

**Resolution Intent to Cancel Local Government Study Commission:** Resolution of intent to cancel the local government study commission was read by Tammy. There was a question concerning the third commissioner and how they would be appointed. The third commissioner would be appointed by the mayor and the town council within 20 days of election day. Diane moves that we adopt Resolution 2024-3, a resolution of intent to cancel the election of local government study commission. Seconded by Jan. All in favor. Motion carried.

With a follow up Tammy asked the council to review MCA 76-2-323 (1c) regarding the well for Tom Roberts for the next the meeting on August 28, 2024

Jan motioned to adjourn the meeting at 5:01PM. All in favor. Motion carried.

Respectfully submitted by:

Jennifer Meacham