

SWEET HOME CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING AND EXECUTIVE SESSION MINUTES

September 19, 2016

The City Council Special Meeting was opened at 4:15 p.m. in the Jim Riggs Community Center.

Roll Call:	Councilor Gerson	P	Councilor Mahler	P
	Councilor Goble	P	Councilor Trask	P
	Councilor Goodwin	P	Councilor Underwood	P
	Mayor Gourley	P		

Staff: City Manager Pro Tem Christy Wurster, Public Works Director Michael Adams, City Attorney Robert Snyder, Police Chief Jeff Lynn, Library Services Director Rose Peda, Finance Director Pat Gray, and Recording Secretary Julie Fisher

Media: Sean Morgan, The New Era
Alex Paul, Democrat Herald

Registered Visitors: Carol Moffet, Sharon Kanareff, Jo Ann McQueary, Tim McQueary, Ken Bronson, Jeremiah Fisher, Dick Knowles, Linda Iljin

The purpose of the meeting was to conduct interviews for the City Manager position. The Council interviewed 2 applicants: Raymond Towry and Harry Staven. Both interviews were conducted in person and all questions were the same for each candidate.

Following the interviews the Mayor called for comments from the Public. Tim McQueary stated Mr. Towry is his choice because he feels he wants to come to Sweet Home and desires to stay here. Sharon Kanareff stated Mr. Towry has a good understanding and would be an asset. Jo Ann McQueary said Mr. Towry said a lot of the right things. Collaboration and Communication are important and Mr. Towry mentioned both several times. Ms. McQueary added the Towrys would be a great family added to our community. Alex Paul asked how much time the Charter allowed the City to be without a permanent City Manager. Mayor Gourley stated the Council does need to make a decision or appoint a temporary permanent City Manager. Alex Paul asked if the Council is willing to go a year in Limbo?

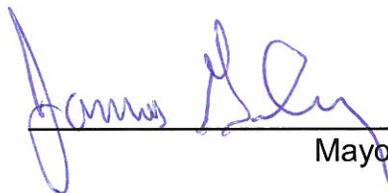
The Council adjourned the meeting at 6:20 pm to go into Executive Session

The Executive Session was opened at 6:40 pm as authorized by ORS 192.660 (2) (a) to consider the employment of a City Manager. The Executive Session adjourned at 7:40 pm.

The Special Public Meeting was reopened at 7:40 pm. The Council directed staff to notice an Executive Session on September 21, 2016 at 6:00pm to consider the employment of a City Manager. Staff was also directed to contact one of the candidates to notify them that they will not be considered for the City Manager position. There was no decision on the other candidate.

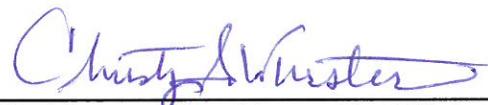
The meeting adjourned at 7:43 p.m.

The foregoing is a true copy of the proceedings of the City Council at the September 19, 2016 Special City Council Meeting.



Mayor

ATTEST:



City Manager Pro Tem – Ex Officio City Recorder