

**CITY OF MENOMINEE, MICHIGAN
SPECIAL COUNCIL PROCEEDINGS
OCTOBER 27, 2010**

A special meeting of the Menominee City Council, City of Menominee, County of Menominee, State of Michigan, was held Wednesday, October 27, 2010 at 6:15 p.m. in the Municipal Complex Council Chambers.

The Honorable George W. Krahn called the meeting to order and led the pledge of allegiance to the flag.

PRESENT: Councilmembers Fernstrum, Mick, Organ, Plemel, Walker, and Williams
Mayor Krahn

ABSENT: Councilmember Hudon (excused)

ALSO PRESENT: Adam Eickmeyer

PRESENT: 8 ABSENT: 0

A motion was made by Councilmember Organ and seconded by Councilmember Plemel to excuse Councilmember Hudon from the meeting. This motion was carried unanimously.

Mayor Krahn opened the special meeting that he called for the purpose of considering the following agenda:

- 1) Pledge of allegiance to the flag.
- 2) Roll call.
- 3) Public comment on agenda items only.
- 4) Format to be used for selecting 4th ward candidate.
- 5) Candidates presentation.
- 6) Select 4th ward council member.
- 7) Discussion of city manager position.
- 8) Public comment.
- 9) Adjourn.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Krahn opened the public comment session called for the purpose of hearing citizen comments on agenda items only.

No one was heard.

A motion was made by Councilmember Williams and seconded by Councilmember Plemel to close the public comment session. This motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Organ and seconded by Councilmember Fernstrum to approve the following format for selecting the 4th ward councilmember:

Council Vacancy Voting Procedure

1. Voting on candidates shall be by signed paper ballot vote with each Councilmember naming the candidates of his or her choice. In the event no candidate receives five votes on the first ballot, candidates receiving no votes or a number of votes less than the candidate receiving the highest number of votes shall be eliminated. If the two top candidates are tied, those with a fewer number of votes shall be eliminated. Candidates tied for second place shall remain in the running and voting shall continue until a candidate receives five votes.
2. Should all candidates be tied for first place, voting shall continue until the tie is broken and the process outlined in the preceding paragraph shall be followed.
3. The candidate appointed shall take office prior to October 29th.

This motion was carried unanimously.

Presentations were heard from the following candidates for the 4th ward seat:

Jeffrey Jones	Walter Multerer	Frank Pohlmann
Robert Pomrenke	N. Joan Tomek	

The sixth candidate, Jeoffry Paulin, was not present.

The first vote on selecting a candidate was recorded as follows:

Jones:	Organ and Plemel
Multerer:	None
Pohlmann:	Fernstrum, Mick, Walker, and Williams
Pomrenke:	None
Tomek:	Krah

The next vote to select a candidate was recorded as follows:

Jones:	Organ and Plemel
Pohlmann:	Fernstrum, Krah, Mick, Walker, and Williams

A motion was made by Councilmember Mick and seconded by Councilmember Fernstrum to select and appoint Frank Pohlmann to the vacant 4th ward seat. This motion was carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Plemel and seconded by Councilmember Mick to appoint Robert Jamo as Acting City Manager.

AYES: Krah, Mick, Organ, Plemel, Walker, Williams, and Fernstrum
NAYS: None

This motion was carried unanimously.

PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Krah opened the public comment session.

Comments were heard from Steve Kehoe, Jeff Jones, Don Mick, and Frank Pohlmann.

A motion was made by Councilmember Plemel and seconded by Councilmember Williams to close the public comment session. This motion was carried unanimously.

ADJOURN:

A motion was made by Councilmember Mick and seconded by Councilmember Plemel to adjourn the meeting. This motion was carried unanimously.


Thomas F. DeNike, City Clerk/Treasurer

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