

**MINUTES – SPECIAL SESSION
FORT MADISON CITY COUNCIL
Thursday, September 8, 2016**

The Fort Madison City Council met in special session at 5:00 P.M. on Thursday, September 8, 2016, at City Hall, 811 Avenue E. Mayor Pro Tem Chris Greenwald opened the meeting and presided until Mayor Bradley A. Randolph arrived at 5:10 P.M. Council Members Brian Wright, Kevin Rink, Travis Seidel, Mark Lair and Chad Cangas were present. Council Member Rusty Andrews was absent.

AGENDA

Cangas MOVED and Seidel SECONDED to approve the agenda as written.

MOTION PASSED 6-0

OTHER

POLICE CHIEF ELIGIBILITY LIST: Lair MOVED and Wright SECONDED to accept the Civil Service Commission's certification of the Police Chief Eligibility List.

MOTION PASSED 6-0

CLOSED SESSION

Cangas MOVED and Wright SECONDED to go into Closed Session to evaluate the professional competency of an individual pursuant to Iowa Code Section 21.5(1)(i).

City Attorney Robert Johnson reported the Closed Session was to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that person's reputation. The candidate's appointment will be discussed and the candid remarks of Council may impact his reputation. The candidate has requested a closed session and waived his presence at the closed session. It was his opinion that this situation qualifies as an exception to the open meetings law under 21.5(1)(i).

MOTION PASSED 6-0

At 5:05 P.M., Council exited to the Landing Conference Room for the Closed Session.

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With no action taken, Council reconvened in Council Chambers at 6:03 P.M.

OPEN SESSION

APPOINT POLICE CHIEF: Lair MOVED and Rink SECONDED to approve the appointment of Kenneth Rosa as Police Chief.

Cangas felt the City Manager had done a very good job with the process. He believed it was as professional and thorough as possible. He said Varley hit a home run.

Randolph did not think this could have been any more of a professional and transparent process. He noted City staff, community members and area professionals all played a part in the process.

Rink explained three separate panels interviewed the candidates and made their recommendations to the City Manager.

MOTION PASSED 6-0

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:07 P.M., Wright MOVED and Cangas SECONDED to adjourn until Tuesday, September 20, 2016, at 7:00 P.M.

VOICE VOTE APPROVAL

Mayor Bradley A. Randolph
City of Fort Madison

ATTEST:

Melinda L. Blind, City Clerk