

City of Winsted
Special Closed City Council Meeting
Lewis Room
Monday, April 25, 2016
12:00 p.m.

Present: Mayor Steve Stotko
Council Member Bonita Quast
Council Member Tom Ollig
Council Member Patty Fitzgerald

Absent: Council Member George Schulenberg

Staff Present: Mr. Dan Tienter, City Administrator
Ms. Deborah R. Boelter, City Clerk-Treasurer
Ms. Kelly Dohm, City of Winsted Personnel Attorney
Mr. Chad Engel, Winsted Volunteer Fire Department Chief . *arrived at 12:10 p.m.*
Mr. Brian Langenfeld, Winsted Volunteer Fire Department First (1st) Assistant Chief
Mr. Jon Davidson, Winsted Volunteer Fire Department Second (2nd) Assistant Chief

- 1) **Mayor Stotko called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.**
- 2) **Winsted Volunteer Fire Department – Personnel Matter**

Mayor Stotko stated that the purpose of the Special Closed City Council meeting is to discuss a personnel matter in regards to Winsted Volunteer Fire Department 2nd Assistant Chief, Mr. Jon Davidson.

Council Member Ollig motioned to close the City Council meeting. Council Member Quast seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

The City Council discussed the personnel matter.

Council Member Ollig motioned that disciplinary action is warranted. Council Member Fitzgerald seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Council Member Ollig motioned to end the closed City Council meeting and to have the open meeting begin. Council Member Quast seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Council Member Ollig informed Mr. Davidson that the City Council meeting is now open and that all information presented and discussed will be public information. Mr. Davidson stated that he understood that any information presented and/or discussed is now public information.

Mr. Tienter presented the proposed disciplinary actions that the City Council would be considering.

Council Member Ollig asked Mr. Davidson if he had any questions in regards to the proposed disciplinary actions. Mr. Davidson stated no.

Ms. Kelly Dohm informed Mr. Davidson that if the City Council would choose to implement the proposed disciplinary actions, that his employment and/or voluntary status with the City of Winsted continues to be ~~at~~ will. She continued by stating that this means that even if Mr. Davidson satisfies all the requirements outlined in the disciplinary actions, the City Council could discharge him at any time without cause and/or advanced notice.

Council Member Ollig motioned to move forward with the disciplinary actions as presented and that item three (3) be amended to give Mr. Davidson until the end of his ninety (90) day suspension to reimburse the City for the pro-rated portion of the stipend paid for services rendered as the Winsted Volunteer Fire Department's Second (2nd) Assistant Chief. Council Member Quast seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

Mr. Tienter stated that the City will provide him with a letter detailing the disciplinary actions approved by the City Council.

Mr. Davidson thanked the City Council for their time.

3) Announcement

a) McLeod County Solid Waste Management Facility - Tour

Mayor Stotko stated that McLeod County Commissioner, Mr. Paul Wright, has extended an invitation to the Winsted City Council to schedule a tour of the McLeod County Solid Waste Management Facility.

b) McLeod County Trail Plan

Mayor Stotko stated that Mr. Paul Wright has informed him that fourteen (14) McLeod County Townships have signed a petition opposing the proposed McLeod County Trail Plan (Plan). Mr. Wright has asked that anyone who is in favor of the proposed Plan please attend the McLeod County Board of Commissioners public hearing scheduled on Tuesday, May 3, 2016 at 9:00 a.m. in the McLeod County Board Room in Glencoe, Minnesota.

Mr. Tienter stated that the Winsted City Council did approve a letter in support of the proposed Plan and that he would be reading that letter at next week's public hearing.

4) Adjournment

Council Member Quast motioned to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Fitzgerald seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

The meeting was adjourned at 12:40 p.m.

Steve Stotko

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Mayor
City of Winsted

ATTEST:

Deborah R. Boelter

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City Clerk-Treasurer
City of Winsted