City of Rockford, Minnesota, Special Council Meeting Minutes

11:15 a.m., Friday, November 3,2023

Mayor Renee Hafften called the Special City Council Meeting to Order at approximately 11:15 a.m. Council members Wyatt Gutzke, Heather Michalik and Melissa Vogel were in attendance. Council member Mike Werman was absent.

City Administrator; Anna Carlson, Assistant City Administrator/City Clerk; Debbie Buoy, Finance Director; Viktoryia Montik, Permits/Building/Finance Clerk; Amanda Daniels, were in attendance. Tyler Neibert, David Angell, Nick Qualle and Brian Thoennes were also in attendance.

Members of staff and the Council discussed the Rockford Fire Chief Recommendations & Appointment. City Administrator; Anna Carlson gave a background; The current Fire Chief, Nathan Buoy will be retiring from the Rockford Fire Department effective January 1, 2024. The position of Fire Chief is the highest appointed position within the Rockford Fire Department. Both candidates demonstrated great qualities that could be brought to the position. The hiring committee deliberated after the interviews were completed and unanimously recommended David Angell as the next Fire Chief.

Members of Council thanked the applicants for their service on the Rockford Fire Department. Mayor Renee Hafften stated that Mr. Angell showed strong initiative and leadership skills. She told Mr. Neibert to continue advancing. Council Member/Fire Department Liaison; Wyatt Gutzke, stated that Mr. Angell’s answers to the interview questions focused on showing recognition for members, respect for other Fire Departments, and appropriate disciplinary actions.

Motion was made by Gutzke and seconded by Michalik, to Appoint Mr. David Angell as the next Rockford Fire Chief with his term beginning on January1, 2024.

Motion Carried: Voting in favor; Hafften and Vogel.

Members of Staff and the Council then discussed general updates regarding the City of Rockford, including the length of term for Rockford Fire Chief and Assistant Chief.

Motion was made by Michalik, seconded by Vogel to adjourn the meeting.

Motion Carried: Voting in favor; Hafften and Gutzke. The meeting was adjourned at approximately 11:45.

Typed this 6th day of November 2023

Debbie Buoy

Assistant City Administrator/City Clerk

City of Rockford Minnesota

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Renee Hafften

Mayor

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