



City of Rice
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Rice City Council
Special Meeting
Monday, June 22, 2020– 6:00 PM
Rice Council Chambers

Meeting was called to order at 6 pm. Present: Emily Walters, Chris Scheel, Paula Kampa, Brian Skroch, Bryan Anderson, and Julie Fandel City Clerk. Skroch stated the purpose of the meeting was for general discussion of a COVID-19 Preparedness Plan that is due by June 29th, 2020 and that is why the meeting was moved from July 13th, 2020.

Kampa made a motion to accept the agenda as presented for Monday June 22, 2020 Special Meeting. Second by Walters. Add postage question and Fire Truck update. Kampa amended her motion to include postage question and Fire Truck. Walters amended her second. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.

COVID-19 Preparedness Plan – Fandel explained this plan is required for all businesses to reopen.

The City is a little different since we were closed to the public, but all employees still reported.

Fandel put together two options for the plan, also informed council of what procedures are followed for prevention. Fandel will also have a Safety meeting to go over all the information with all employees. Kampa made a motion to approve COVID-19 Preparedness Plan #1 for the City of Rice.

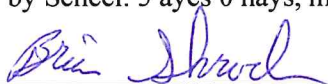
Second by Scheel. Kampa asked if each department needed a plan, Fandel stated just one for the whole city. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried. Liquor License adjustment – Skroch clarified information on what other cities are offering. It varies due to when the license run. Skroch stated that the bars were closed for about 3 months. He suggested \$500.00 per bar which is a portion of what the liquor license is per year. Scheel agreed with Skroch and asked about the next year license. Discussion on different ideas and possibilities. Kampa made a motion to give the four bars that pay either

\$2,000/\$2,100 a \$500.00 dollar refund and look at 2021 in November. Second by Anderson. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried. Discussion on a water discount. Consensus of the council was that at this time our water rates are reasonable, no discounts will be offered. Part time Police Officer – Discussion on how often a part time officer would work a holiday. Kampa asked if the other part time officer works many holidays, Fandel stated that the holidays are divided up between all officers. Consensus of the council was that if a part time officer works on the day of a holiday, they would receive time and a half pay for the shift not to exceed eight hours.

Question on increased postage cost – Postage increase had not been brought to the council for approval. Fire Truck Loan, Fandel stated that she and Johnson where still doing research and Johnson's has about two more boxes of files to go through. They did go to all the buildings to check for old records and non where found. Johnson is putting together the rest of the information and a summary. Fandel pulled storm water ordinance for verification of billing non water/sewer city residents.

Kampa made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 PM. Second by Scheel. 5 ayes 0 nays, motion carried.


Julie Fandel – City Clerk


Brian Skroch, Mayor