

**Lake City Common Council
Special Meeting
Thursday, March 10, 2011
2nd Floor Conference Room
City Hall 5:00 p.m.**

Members Present: Mayor Jerry M. Dunbar, Andru Peters, Mary Lou Waltman
Joel Beckman, Matt Powers, Phil Gartner, Mark Spence

Members Absent: None

Staff Present: City Clerk Kari Schreck, Library Administrator Sherri Mooers
City Administrator Ron Johnson (at 6:00 p.m.)

Others Present: City Attorney Karen England, Attorney Peter Ekstrand, Katie Himanga,
Billi Hunt

Mayor Dunbar called the meeting to order at approximately 5:00 p.m. in the 2nd floor conference room of city hall with a quorum present.

Mayor Dunbar stated that after discussion and recommendation from City Attorney England a special meeting was called to discuss preliminary consideration of personnel issue item a, and preliminary consideration of personnel issue item b. No decisions will be made in closed session.

Motion Beckman, seconded Waltman to adopt the agenda as presented. All ayes 7-0-0.

Attorney England then stated that the meeting could be closed under Minnesota Statute section 13D.05 subdivision 2 subpart b: A public body shall close one or more meetings for preliminary consideration of allegations or charges against an individual subject to its authority. If the members conclude that discipline of any nature may be warranted as a result of those specific charges or allegations, further meetings or hearings relating to those specific charges or allegations held after that conclusion is reached must be open. A meeting must also be open at the request of the individual who is the subject of the meeting. This was read aloud for the record by City Attorney England.

Ms. Mooers was asked if she would like the meeting open or closed. She stated that she would like it closed.

Motion Beckman, seconded Powers to close the meeting at 5:12 p.m. All ayes 7-0-0.

Those members from the public in attendance were asked to leave.

Motion Powers, seconded Waltman to open the meeting at 5:47 p.m. All ayes 7-0-0.

Members of the public rejoined the meeting.

Motion Powers, seconded Waltman to dismiss the 2 items covered in the closed session. All ayes 7-0-0.

This concludes the personnel item a. Ms. Mooers and Attorney Ekstrand then left the meeting at approximately 5:55 p.m.

Mr. Ron Johnson joined the meeting at 6:00 p.m.

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Motion Beckman, seconded Waltman to close the meeting under section 13d.05 subdivision 2 subpart b: A public body shall close one or more meetings for preliminary consideration of allegations or charges against an individual subject to its authority at 6:04 p.m. All ayes 7-0-0.

Mr. Johnson was asked if he would like the meeting open or closed. He stated that he would like it closed.

Mayor Dunbar stated that Mark Spence is in attendance, but is not participating in discussion or vote.

Those members from the public were asked to leave.

Motion Gartner, seconded Powers to open the meeting at 6:20 p.m. All ayes 6-0-0.

Those members from the public rejoined the meeting.

Motion Gartner, seconded Powers that the allegation of a personal relationship by the City Administrator and the Library director (Administrator) be dismissed. All ayes 6-0-0.

There was no further council discussion

Motion Beckman, seconded Waltman to adjourn at 6:24 p.m. All ayes 6-0-0.

Jerry M. Dunbar, Mayor

ATTEST:

Kari Schreck, City Clerk

