

City Council Work Session

November 29, 2021

Present were: Mayor Grenier, Councilors Eastman, Remillard, Morgan, Higbee, Berthiaume, Rozek, Otis and Theberge.

Others present: City Manager Jim Wheeler, Community Development Director Pam Laflamme and Finance Director Holly Larsen

Mayor Grenier called the meeting to order at 5:08pm.

Non-Public Session

At 5:09pm, Councilor Berthiaume moved with a second from Councilor Higbee to go into Non-Public Session per RSA 91-A:3 II; (a) The dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employee (b) Hiring. So, moved, the motion carried by roll call with all in favor.

The dismissal, promotion or compensation of any public employee and Hiring matters were discussed.

At 7:13pm, Council and Staff came out of Non-Public Session.

Councilor Rozek moved to seal the minutes until the Mayor determines they can be released as releasing them would render the action taken ineffective; Councilor Higbee seconded and the motion carried by all in favor.

Fire Chief – EMS Oversight

Mr. Wheeler discussed the added items to the Fire Chief's Job Description and the related compensation which was agreed upon during the Non-Meeting of November 22, 2021. He advised the information is to be made Public. Councilor Berthiaume expressed concerns in regards to not receiving monthly updates from EMS as requested previously. Mayor Grenier suggested EMS sends the report to the Fire Chief which would then communicate with Council. Councilor Rozek moved to approve the added items to the Fire Chief's job description in relation to the EMS oversight and the related compensation effective November 22, 2021, Councilor Remillard seconded and the motion carried by all in favor.

Other

Mr. Wheeler advised Ron Lemoine accepted the position of Public Works Supervisor. This resulted in a vacant Laborer-Equipment Operator position. He is asking for permission to advertise and fill the position. Councilor Berthiaume moved to allow the City Manager to advertise and fill the Laborer-Equipment Operator position, Councilor Higbee seconded and the motion carried by all in favor.

Mr. Wheeler reminded Council this is his last meeting. He thanked Council and stated he enjoyed the last eight and a half years as City Manager, "it's been an outstanding opportunity". He hopes he has met all expectations. Mayor Grenier commented he hates to see Mr. Wheeler go and knows he gave a hundred percent to the City. Councilors wished Mr. Wheeler well.

Adjournment

There being no further business, Councilor Rozek moved to adjourn; Councilor Higbee seconded and the motion carried by all in favor. The meeting ended at 7:31pm.

Respectfully Submitted,
Danielle Rioux
Executive Assistant

*Minutes are unofficial until they have been accepted by the City Council by motion.