

STERLING, COLORADO
JANUARY 11, 2022

STATE OF COLORADO)
COUNTY OF LOGAN)ss
CITY OF STERLING)

As required by the Colorado Sunshine Law, the meeting was posted timely in the City Hall lobby more than twenty-four hours in advance of the meeting.

Pastor Jodie Harless, Faith United Methodist Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Desormeaux led the Pledge of Allegiance. The City Council of the City of Sterling, Colorado, met in regular session in Council Chambers of City Hall on Tuesday, January 11, 2022. Mayor Desormeaux called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

Councilmembers present:

Mayor	Desormeaux
Councilmembers	Anderson Blecha Gaines Janes Ritter

Also present:

City Manager	Blankenship
City Clerk	Forbes
Police Chief	Kerr
Public Works Director	Good
Fire Chief	Ritter
Human Resource Director	Brown
Public Safety Communications (PSC) Director	Lybrand
Parks, Library and Recreation (PLR) Director	Gandee
Paralegal	Welsh

Citizens present: 3

APPOINTMENT AND ADMINISTRATION OF OATH OF OFFICE TO APPOINTED WARD 2 COUNCILMEMBER:

Mayor Desormeaux asked for a motion to appoint John Haynie to fill the vacancy in Ward 2. Councilmember Gaines made a motion to appoint John Haynie to fill the vacancy in Ward 2. Councilmember Blecha seconded the motion. By a six-yes vote, the motion was approved.

Councilmember Judge Carl S. McGuire, 13th Judicial District, gave the oath of office to newly appointed Ward 2 Councilmember John Haynie.

CONSENT AGENDA:

Councilmember Janes made a motion to approve the consent agenda. Councilmember Ritter seconded the motion. By a six-yes and one abstain vote, the motion was approved. Voting was as follows:

Janes	yes	Ritter	yes
Anderson	abstain	Blecha	yes
Desormeaux	yes	Gaines	yes
Haynie	yes		

Items on the consent agenda were: City Council minutes of December 28, 2021, application for renewal of Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License for Fiesta Mexican Restaurant located at 807 Sidney Avenue, application for renewal of Hotel & Restaurant Liquor License for El Jacal 3 located at 115 North 10th Avenue and an application for renewal of Retail Liquor Store License for Broadway Wine & Spirits located at 207 Broadway Street.

COMMUNICATION AND PERSONAL APPEARANCE OF NON-SCHEDULED CITIZENS BEFORE THE COUNCIL:

None

UNFINISHED BUSINESS:

CITY MANAGER'S REPORT:

City Manager Blankenship updated Council on the following:

- Sales and Lodging Taxes – December 2021
- Water Production/Demand – December 2021
- Meetings/Events attended
 - Logan County Economic Development Corporation Board meeting
 - Appreciation to City Employees – Snow Storm Duration
 - Appreciation to Council's patience regarding transition from Virginia to Colorado

NEW BUSINESS:

None

MISCELLANEOUS COUNCIL BUSINESS:

Mayor Desormeaux reminded Council that a special meeting had been set for January 12, 2022 for the interviews for Ward 2 has been canceled.

Councilmember Gaines asked about the unkempt properties that have been discussed. One property was 6th Avenue and Delmar Street. Public Works Director Good advised Council staff is making progress and it is in the court system.

Councilmember Gaines asked about what the City and the County are doing regarding the homeless. He asked if any money is given towards this. Mayor Desormeaux advised the City gives to Cooperative Ministries and Under the Umbrella who help in that area. Councilmember Gaines advised he thought it would be a benefit to go forward in helping the homeless.

Councilmember Anderson asked if there was any kind of comparison that we could get for our size community for things like the cost of water, employees pay, fees, etc. He would like to see where the City stands.

There being no further business to come before Council the meeting adjourned at 5:46 p.m.


MAYOR

ATTEST:


CITY CLERK