

CITY OF TECUMSEH
SPECIAL MEETING
JUNE 8, 2015
TECUMSEH CITY HALL
6:00 P.M.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Baker.

Mayor Baker led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Roll call was taken as follows:

PRESENT: Mayor Baker, Council members Fox, Harmon, Naugle, Philo, VanAlstine and Wimple.

ABSENT: None.

Motion Philo and seconded VanAlstine, to approve the June 8, 2015 agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Guests were welcomed to the meeting by Mayor Baker.

During discussion, Council members each chose two questions to ask Troy Stern and Paula Holtz during interviews. Each candidate was interviewed individually, and asked the same questions. Questions were asked about leadership, communication, experience with unionized employees and economic development, handling controversial situations, continuing City progression, and general intentions if appointed City Manager.

After interviews, Council members discussed strengths and weaknesses of both candidates, noting that Holtz had strengths with economic development, DDA and TIF districts, while Stern shows strengths in labor/union negotiations and personnel supervision. Council member Wimple commented that although City Manager Welch's last day is quickly approaching, that is not a reason to make a hasty decision. Mayor Baker stated that he feels strongly that Council should hire from within the organization if there are qualified candidates, and feels that the two candidates are qualified to perform as City Manager. Council members agreed to address this item at the June 15, 2015 City Council meeting, at which time they may choose to hire Troy Stern or Paula Holtz staying within the organization, or begin a search for an external candidate.

Motion VanAlstine and seconded Philo, to adjourn the meeting at 8:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

Jackson L. Baker, Mayor

Jessica Hnidy, City Clerk