

LAKE PARK CITY COUNCIL & LAKE PARK MUNICIPAL UTILITIES
Special Meeting
December 5, 2022

The following are the minutes as recorded by the City Clerk and are subject to council and utility approval at their next regular meetings on 12-12-22 and 12-21-22

Lake Park City Council and Lake Park Municipal Utilities met in a joint special meeting on December 5, 2022. Mayor Carstensen opened the meeting at 5:29pm with Pledge of Allegiance. Members present: Taber, Luitjens, Kracht, Sohn, Baumgarn, O'Neill, Zahren, Hibma, Morris and Clerk Matthiesen. Absent: Lemker. Also present: Dick Packebush, Kevin Henningsen, Todd Doeden, Jeremy Rasche, Jeff Jacobsma, and Shane Arndt.

Moved by Kracht/Sohn to approve the agenda; all ayes.

Matthiesen stated that an employee had made a request if the two boards could address the current residency and on-call requirements as there is interest in purchasing a house outside of the current requirements. The boards had discussion around the current requirements, changing from miles to response time, and heard comments from the employees in attendance. Zahren moved to change the on-call requirement from 10 miles to reasonable response time. Motion died due to lack of a second. Zahren moved to change the residency requirement from 6 miles to a reasonable response time. Motion died due to lack of a second. Discussion turned to granting a waiver for this situation.

Moved by Zahren/O'Neill to grant a waiver to Henningsen that would allow him to purchase a house within 15 miles provided he can assure a reasonable response time. Ayes; Baumgarn, Sohn, Kracht, Taber, Morris, O'Neill, Hibma, Zahren, Luitjens. Nay-none. Motion carried.

Both boards feel this needs some additional discussion and both boards will have it on their January meeting agenda.

Moved by Zahren/O'Neill to adjourn at 6:12pm; all ayes.

Matt Carstensen, Mayor

Gib Zahren, Vice Chair, Utility Board

Marie Matthiesen, City Clerk