

CITY OF MCMINNVILLE
MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING of the McMinnville City Council
Held at the Kent L. Taylor Civic Hall on Gormley Plaza
McMinnville, Oregon
January 21, 2015 at 6:00 p.m.

Presiding: Rick Olson, Mayor

Recording: Rose A. Lorenzen, Recording Secretary

Councilors: Present Excused Absence

Scott Hill	Alan Ruden	Remy Drabkin
Kevin Jeffries	Larry Yoder	Kellie Menke

Also present were City Attorney Candace A. Haines, citizen Mark Davis, and a member of the news media, Don Iler of the *News Register*.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Olson called the meeting to order at 1:00 p.m. annnnnnd advised that the sole purpose of the meeting was to have a discussion and interview of interim Police Chief Matt Scales.

Interim Chief Scales thanked the Mayor and City Council for the opportunity for all to sit down and get to know one another better - leadership styles, visioning thought processes, and the like.

Interim Chief Scales discussed his passion for the City of McMinnville and its citizens, advising that he believed McMinnville to be a true community. He stated that he believed the Police Department employees were fantastic and noted that he had been given a six-month interim period, during which he and the Department had worked through some very difficult times. He felt those times had made him a better person and, potentially, a better Chief.

A question and answer period ensued with each of the Councilors asking questions of Interim Chief Scales.

Following the discussion and interview session, each of the Councilors thanked Interim Chief Scales for the insights that he provided them. Mayor Olson asked for a motion and second to appoint Interim Chief Scales to the position of Police Chief and to direct the City Manager and City Attorney to finalize the necessary paperwork.

Councilor Hill MOVED to appoint Interim Police Chief Matt Scales to the position of Police Chief and to direct the City Manager and City Attorney to prepare all necessary paperwork; SECONDED by Councilor Ruden.

The motion PASSED by a unanimous roll-call vote. Mayor Olson noted for the record that both Councilors Drabkin and Menke had previously given their support to the appointment. He advised that the new Chief of Police would be sworn in at the January 27, 2015 City Council Meeting.

ADJOURNMENT: Mayor Olson adjourned the Special Meeting at 3:00 p.m.

Rose A. Lorenzen, Recording Secretary