

SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY HALL CONFERENCE ROOM  
OCTOBER 7, 2014  
4:00 P.M.

Mayor Sargent called the session to order at 4:00 p.m. with the following Council members present: Johnson, Isom, Struble, Ratliff, Dillinger. Also present were City Clerk/Administrator Miller, City Attorney Argotsinger, Chief Murray and visitors: Jesusa Christians, Brian Briggs, Nicole Briggs, Robert Millin, Julie Dake Abel.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Moved by Council member Dillinger to approve the agenda, seconded by Council member Struble. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Mayor Sargent announced this was the time set for the employee review hearing for Brian Briggs and opened the hearing. Briggs had requested the hearing be conducted in open session and that union personnel be present. Neither Briggs nor anyone representing him were present. After ascertaining they had been notified of the time and place of the hearing, and after checking the area and failing to locate him, Mayor Sargent proceeded with the hearing. Chief Murray outlined the reasons for the disciplinary action against Briggs and recommended termination due to the seriousness of the recent incident, along with previous disciplinary actions.

It was noted Briggs, Julie Dake Abel and Robert Millin arrived at 4:10 p.m. during the above recitation and Nicole Briggs arrived after that. Ms. Dake Abel asked for a recess to confer with Mayor Sargent and Chief Murray. Mayor Sargent called a recess of the hearing at 4:11 p.m. and re-convened it at 4:25 p.m. He asked Council for any questions or comments pertaining to the situation. He then asked if Briggs had any response to the allegations or anything he wanted to say. Ms. Dake Abel stated Officer Briggs would like to tender his resignation at that time. City Attorney Argotsinger verified with Briggs that it was his request to resign from the City effective immediately. Briggs stated it was and presented the Mayor with his letter of resignation. Mayor Sargent closed the hearing.

Moved by Council member Dillinger to accept the resignation of Brian Briggs as police officer with the City, seconded by Council member Johnson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote.

Moved to adjourn by Council member Struble, seconded by Council member Johnson. Motion carried on a 5-0 vote. Meeting adjourned at 4:28 p.m.

Clint Sargent, Mayor

Attest:  
Rita Miller  
City Clerk/Administrator