

PUBLIC INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE
Thursday, December 14, 2023
5:30 p.m.
Councilman Denny Wayne Conference Room,
4th Floor Conference Room

PRESENT: Monica Horton, Chair; Brandon Jenson; Abe McGull; and Matthew Simpson.

ABSENT: None

VACANT: None

STAFF: Anita Cotter, City Clerk

GUEST: Linda Simkins, citizen

Councilwoman Monica Horton, Chair, called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. and roll was taken. Present: Monica Horton, Brandon Jenson, Abe McGull, and Matthew Simpson. Absent: None.

Councilman Abe McGull moved to approve the minutes from the September 14, 2023, Public Involvement Committee meeting as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Simpson seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, McGull, Simpson, and Horton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Anita Cotter, City Clerk, briefed the Committee on recruitment efforts which were underway.

The following appointments/reappointments were considered:

Citizens Advisory Committee for Community Development (CACCD)

Replace Christina Pike (resigned)

Replace Larry Flenoid II (resigned)

Councilman Jenson moved to appoint Zipporah Burns to replace Christina Pike on the Citizens' Advisory Committee for Community Development. Councilwoman Horton seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, McGull, Simpson, and Horton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Councilman McGull moved to appoint Jared Durden to replace Larry Flenoid II on the Citizens' Advisory Committee for Community Development. Mayor Pro Tem Simpson seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, McGull, Simpson, and Horton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Landmarks Board

Reappoint Jamille Jones
Reappoint Adam Letterman
Reappoint Bryan Lenox

Councilman McGull moved to reappoint Jamille Jones, Adam Letterman, and Bryan Lenox. Mayor Pro Tem Simpson seconded the motion, and it was discussed.

Councilwoman Horton asked for clarification regarding the attendance of the members being considered for reappointment. Ms. Cotter noted she had not received confirmation from the staff liaison regarding attendance. Councilwoman Horton expressed concern regarding appropriate attendance.

Councilman McGull amended his motion to reappoint Jamille Jones, Adam Letterman, and Bryan Lenox contingent on Ms. Cotter verifying appropriate attendance by each member. Mayor Pro Tem Simpson seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, McGull, Simpson, and Horton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Personnel Board

Replace Stephanie Appleby (term expired March 1, 2023)
Replace Erica Cook (resigned)
Replace Perry Epperly (term expired March 1, 2022)
Replace Richard Pogue (term expired March 1, 2021)
Replace Tyler Tooley (resigned)

Mayor Pro Tem Simpson moved to appoint Amanda Cook to replace Tyler Tooley. Councilman McGull seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, McGull, Simpson, and Horton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

The Committee instructed Ms. Cotter to reach out to Robert Brown to see if he would be willing to consider an appointment to the Personnel Board based on his experience. Ms. Cotter stated she would update the Committee at the next meeting. Additionally, the Committee instructed Ms. Cotter to reach out to the recently named "*12 Individuals You Should Know in Human Resources*" by the Springfield Business Journal to solicit applications.

Planning and Zoning Commission

Reappoint Helen Gunther
Reappoint Eric Pauley

Councilman Jenson moved to reappoint Helen Gunther and Eric Pauley. Councilman McGull seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, McGull, Simpson, and Horton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

Councilman McGull moved to adjourn. Councilman Jenson seconded the motion, and it was approved by the following vote: Ayes: Jenson, McGull, Simpson, and Horton. Nays: None. Absent: None. Abstain: None.

With no additional business to come before the Committee, the meeting was adjourned at approximately 6:01 p.m.

Approved by the Public Involvement
Committee on 02-05-2024