

Burke City Council  
Special Meeting  
July 17, 2020

The special meeting of the Burke City Council was called to order by Mayor Thomas Glover at 12:01 PM in the Municipal Building Meeting Room. Council members present were Mark Green, Tyler Van Metre, Vickie Dobesh, Todd Halsne, Megan Lindholm and Wyatt Reis. Also present was Finance Officer Mike Glover, City Attorney Rachelle Norberg, Dennis Pense, David Green, Jim Moore and Carter Bull.

**Approve Agenda:**

Motion by Tyler Van Metre, second by Vickie Dobesh to approve the agenda with the addition of Chief of Police and Elected Officials Duties. Motion carried 6-0.

**Conflict of Interest:**

None

**Public Input:**

Dennis Pense, David Green, Jim Moore and Carter Bull were present for the discussion of the Men's Club's request to close Main Street for the Dog Days Parade.

**Dog Days Men's Club Street Dance:**

Carter Bull, President of the Burke Men's Club asked the Council for permission to close Main Street from 9<sup>th</sup> Street to 10<sup>th</sup> Street on August 1 for the Annual Dog Days Street Dance. Discussion followed in favor and against having the street dance this year because of the COVID-19 pandemic. Members of the Council addressed the Men's Club. The Council is very appreciative of what the Men's Club has done and continues to do for the community of Burke. With the current issues with COVID-19 some of the Council doesn't think there should be a street dance this year. Next Mayor Glover read a letter from Dr. Megan Smith strongly suggesting that this year's Street Dance be canceled for public safety during this COVID-19 pandemic. Mr. Bull spoke about having the street dance to help out the businesses in town. After the discussion motion by Tyler Van Metre, second by Megan Lindholm to deny permission for the Men's Club to close Main Street on August 1, 2020 for the Dog Days Street Dance. Motion carried by a 4-2 vote, with Council members Green and Reis voting nay. The Dog Days dance can still be held but it would have to be on private land.

**Civic Center Chairs for Front Room:**

Finance Officer, Mike Glover presented a price for 70 new, vinyl, black, stackable chairs. The cost per chair is \$16.45 each. They are originally \$66 each. For 70 chairs the total would be \$1,151.50 plus shipping. First Fidelity Bank bought the original chairs in 1998 and want to pay for the new chairs. Motion by Wyatt Reis, second by Todd Halsne to purchase 70 new, vinyl, black, stackable chairs. Motion carried.

**Chief of Police:**

City Attorney, Rachelle Norberg asked the Council to go into executive session for legal counsel. Motion by Wyatt Reis, second by Todd Halsne to go into executive session at 12:24 pm for legal counsel. Motion carried.

Mayor Glover declared executive session over at 12:31 pm, with the following action taken.

Mayor Thomas Glover apologized to Council member Megan Lindholm.

Motion by Wyatt Reis, second by Vickie Dobesh to rescind the motion made after executive session at the July 13<sup>th</sup> regular meeting, approving advertising for the Chief of Police motion. Motion carried.

A Special Meeting with be held on July 21<sup>st</sup> at noon.

**Elected Officials Duties:**

City Attorney, Rachelle Norberg went over the laws and duties of the elected officials. Specifically focusing on executive session and the legal responsibilities of the Council Members and Mayor.

**Adjournment:**

Mayor Glover declared the meeting adjourned at 12:47 PM.

**ATTEST:**

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Mike Glover, Finance Officer

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Thomas Glover, Mayor