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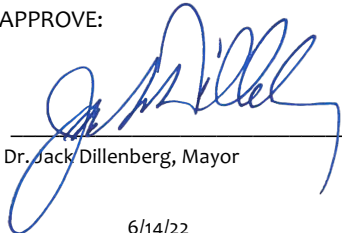
MINUTES

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE JEROME TOWN COUNCIL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, JEROME TOWN HALL, 600 CLARK STREET, JEROME, AZ THURSDAY, MAY 5, 2022 AT 5:30 P.M.

ITEM #1: 5:30 (0:01)	CALL TO ORDER/ROLL CALL Mayor/Chairperson to call meeting to order. <i>Mayor Jack Dillenberg called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.</i> Town Clerk to call and record the roll. <i>Present were Mayor Jack Dillenberg, Vice Mayor Alex Barber, Councilmember Sage Harvey, and Councilmember Jane Moore.</i> <i>Staff present were Town Manager/Clerk Candace Gallagher, Finance Manager Melanie Atkin, Deputy Town Clerk Kristen Muenz, and Librarian Kathleen Jarvis.</i>
ITEM #2: 5:30 (0:23)	TOWN MANAGER/CLERK POSITION Council will conduct a second interview with Brett Klein and may approve an employment agreement with him for the position of Town Manager/Clerk. A portion of this discussion may take place in Executive Session, pursuant to A.R.S. § 38-431.03 (A)(1). <i>Mayor Jack Dillenberg asked Ms. Gallagher to begin the meeting. Ms. Gallagher said that Brett Klein, Council's candidate of choice for the position of Town Manager/Clerk, was in attendance and they may discuss the job offer. An employment agreement that had been negotiated with Mr. Klein had been provided to the Council for their approval. He would begin work as of June 30.</i> <i>Vice Mayor Alex Barber asked Mr. Klein how he feels about the opportunity to be Town Manager. Mr. Klein responded that he feels good about it. He also said he is looking at places to live and had the opportunity that day to meet some of our department heads. His family is also excited about the prospect.</i> <i>Mayor Dillenberg asked if any members of the audience or employees have questions.</i> <i>(5:35) Vice Mayor Barber asked the Librarian, Kathleen Jarvis, if she had an opportunity to meet with Mr. Klein and how she felt about it.</i> <i>Ms. Jarvis replied that she had met him and felt very good about it.</i> <i>Jera Peterson, member of the Planning & Zoning Commission, asked Mr. Klein if he could speak of his experience working with S.H.P.O. and historic parts of town.</i> <i>(6:43) Mr. Klein described his time working with the historic preservation commission in Illinois. He said that it is important to retain historic charm while growing in a smart way.</i> <i>Chuck Romberger of the P&Z Commission observed that Mr. Klein seemed like the most qualified candidate.</i> <i>(9:10) Mimi Romberger of the Design Review Board said that she had read Mr. Klein's resume, and he sounded great.</i> <i>Ms. Gallagher said that she had spent that day with Mr. Klein and feels that he will be a great asset to the town. She then described her plan to help Mr. Klein become acclimated, working with him to provide support. She confirmed that her last day will still be July 28, 2022.</i> <i>Vice Mayor Barber asked a question about the benefits offered in the employment package.</i> <i>Ms. Gallagher explained that the benefits offered in the package were meant to increase the value for Mr. Klein.</i> <i>Vice Mayor Barber said that it is good for Jerome to be competitive. She spoke on the past difficulties of finding and keeping employees in a small town and thanked Mr. Klein for coming on board.</i>

	<i>Motion to approve contract and hire Mr. Klein as Town Manager/Clerk</i>						
	COUNCILMEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
	BARBER		X	X			
	DILLENBERG			X			
	HARVEY	X		X			
	MOORE			X			
ITEM #3:	ADJOURNMENT						
	<i>Motion to adjourn at 5:46 p.m.</i>						
	COUNCILMEMBER	MOTION	SECOND	AYE	NAY	ABSENT	ABSTAIN
	BARBER		X	X			
	DILLENBERG			X			
	HARVEY	X		X			
	MOORE			X			

APPROVE:




Dr. Jack Dillenberg, Mayor

6/14/22

Date: _____

ATTEST:



Candace B. Gallagher, CMC, Town Manager/Clerk