



Minutes of the Roanoke Rapids City Council

A Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Roanoke Rapids was held on **Wednesday, November 3, 2021 at 5:15 p.m.** the Council Chambers at the Lloyd Andrews City Meeting Hall.

Present: Emery G. Doughtie, Mayor
Carl Ferebee, Mayor Pro Tem

Sandra Bryant)*
Suetta S. Scarbrough)
Wayne Smith)
Rex Stainback)

Council Members

Kelly Traynham, City Manager/Planning & Development Director
Geoffrey Davis, City Attorney
Leigh Etheridge, Finance Director
Traci Storey, City Clerk
Kathy Kearney, Deputy City Clerk/Human Resources Manager*
Bobby Martin, Police Chief
Christina Caudle, Main Street Director
Larry Chalker, Public Works Director
Jason Patrick, Fire Chief
John Simeon, Parks & Recreation Director

Mayor Doughtie called the meeting to order and offered an invocation.

Closed Session

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ferebee, seconded by Councilman Smith and unanimously carried to go into Closed Session to discuss personnel matters as allowed by NCGS 143-318.11 (a)(6).

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Minute Book Pages 20572 - 20584 contain Minutes and General Account of a Closed Session which have been sealed until such time as public inspection of those minutes would not frustrate the purpose of the Closed Session.

Mayor Doughtie called the meeting to order in open session.

Consideration and Approval of a Contract for the City Manager

Mayor Doughtie stated the purpose of the meeting was to consider a contract for the city manager.

Motion was made by Councilman Smith; seconded by Councilwoman Scarbrough and unanimously approved to offer the contract to Kelly Traynham as written with the effective date of November 3, 2021.

City Manager Traynham accepted the contract.

Mayor Doughtie administered the oath of office to Kelly Traynham as the City Manager for the City of Roanoke Rapids.

Mayor Doughtie stated he believe the City Council has made a good decision. He recalled about ten or more years ago, he walked into Ms. Traynham's office and asked if she was the new Planning Director. She replied yes. They've had a good relationship and she has been good for the community. They look forward to her reaching up to a new level and continuing to work with her.

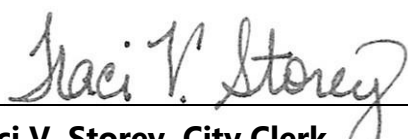
Councilman Smith stated he thought she would do a good job and welcomed her aboard. He wished her good luck in the future.

Mayor Pro Tem Ferebee said he echoed those statements and they have been observing in her other job and believes they have made good choice. He knows she will keep that in mind as she goes about doing the work around the city.

Councilwoman Scarbrough congratulated City Manager Traynham and they were glad to have her as the City's new city manager.

Adjournment

There being no further business, motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Ferebee, seconded by Councilman Smith and unanimously carried to adjourn. The meeting adjourned at 6:40 p.m.



Traci V. Storey, City Clerk

Approved by Council Action on: 11/16/2021