

MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL-CALLED MEETING OF
THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS OF THE
CITY OF SILOAM SPRINGS, BENTON COUNTY, ARKANSAS,
HELD JUNE 12, 2023

The City of Siloam Springs, Arkansas, met in special-called session at the City of Siloam Springs Administration Building on June 12, 2023.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Judy Nation.

Roll Call: Allen, Carroll, Hunt, Rissler, Blair, Wiles, Smiley – Present.

City Representatives Present: Christina Petriches, Acting City Administrator; Renea Ellis, City Clerk; and Jay Williams, City Attorney.

The only item on the agenda was the matter of executive session.

The mayor turned the meeting over to Petriches. She introduced the members of the screening committee and allowed the screening committee to address the Board at this time. Randy Torres, 19208 Fisher Ford Road, said the members were honored to be on the committee; that questions to solidify quality candidates had been asked of the applicants; that it had presented 5 candidates, but one had withdrawn; he implored the Board to look at the bigger picture ten years down the road when making its decision; suggested Judy Nation and Arthur Hulbert be parties to welcoming the applicants and showing them around town, and that the committee would be happy to be involved further if needed. David Jackson, 603 N. Dogwood, thanked the Board for allowing the committee autonomy and freedom to go through a very structured process and the ability to find good viable candidates; outlined the process the committee had gone through to make its recommendation; and that the committee would be willing to participate in any way needed moving forward. Jonathan Barnett, 604 Hickory Lane, its easier to go forward when you have past experience as three of the members who were born and raised in Siloam, as well as their families being from Siloam, have; said the applicants had to be on their feet when being interviewed, and that sometimes they would spend an hour after the interview to discuss the candidates; encouraged the Board to spend quality time with the applicants; that the committee thought the Board was capable and had confidence in its ability to choose; thanked the Board for their confidence in the committee; and stated they would be available if needed. Rissler said she enjoyed working with the committee; that it worked well as a team; and that she is excited about the applicants presented.

A motion was made by Allen and seconded by Smiley to go into executive session to consider the screening committee's recommendations for the city administrator position. Motion passed unanimously.

The meeting was called back to order at 6:53 p.m.

A motion was made by Allen and seconded by Smiley to move forward with interviewing the four candidates recommended by the screening committee. Motion passed unanimously.

With no further business, a motion to adjourn was made by Allen and seconded by Smiley. Nation called for a vote. Motion passed unanimously.

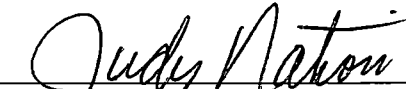
Meeting adjourned.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:



Renea Ellis, City Clerk, CAMC/CMC



Judy Nation, Mayor

