

**City of Aberdeen
Special Council Meeting
August 3, 2016**

Council Present: Mayor McGrady, Councilman Goodin, Councilwoman Landbeck, Councilman Lindecamp and Councilman Taylor

Absent: None

Also Present: Randy Robertson, City Manager
Frederick Sussman, City Attorney
Monica Correll, City Clerk

Mayor McGrady called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. in the Council Chambers.

RULES OF COUNCIL PROCEDURE

A collection of “Council Rules of Procedure” for the last 10 years were given to the Council including a draft prepared by Mayor McGrady. The Council proceeded to review the “Draft Rules of Procedure” as prepared by the Mayor. Some of the proposed changes and discussion involved:

- addition of a work meeting;
- difference between legislative and work meetings;
- publishing a calendar of regular meetings;
- cancellation procedures;
- code compliance for special meetings;
- introduction/adoption procedures;
- the format of the Council agenda;
- two public comments and placement on the agenda;
- designation of a spokesperson for large groups during public comment;
- recusal motions;
- the consent agenda; and
- other matters as advised by Mr. Sussman or the City Manager.

The Council stopped their formal discussion on Roman number VI, “Types of Legislation” but continued discussion about types of legislation and the boards and commission. The Council was asked for their availability for an offsite meeting and to review handouts on consent agendas and signature lines.

CLOSED MEETING:

The Mayor announced the closing of the meeting pursuant to Open Meetings Act, Statutory Authority, General Provisions Article §3-305(b): (7) to consult with counsel to obtain legal advice on a legal matter and (8) to consult with staff, consultants, or other individuals about pending or potential litigation. The topic of discussion was potential litigation.

A motion was made by Mayor McGrady and seconded by Councilman Goodin to move into Closed Meeting in the 2nd Floor Administrative Conference Room. **The motion passed by a vote of 5 – yes; 0 – no.**

Ayes: Mayor McGrady, Councilman Goodin, Councilwoman Landbeck,
Councilman Lindecamp and Councilman Taylor.

Nays: None.

The Council proceeded into closed meeting at approximately 6:38 p.m.

REOPEN MEETING:

The Council returned and reopened the meeting at 7:38 p.m. The Mayor stated that there was no action taken during the Closed Meeting. The Council discussed proposed charter amendments for election ties and the possibility of having a primary or a majority election.

PUBLIC COMMENT: There were no public comments.

ADJOURNMENT: Being no further business the meeting was adjourned at 7:43 p.m.