



AMERICAN FORK CITY COUNCIL
JANUARY 3, 2024
SPECIAL SESSION MINUTES

Members Present:

Bradley J. Frost	Mayor
Staci Carroll	Council Member
Tim Holley	Council Member
Ryan Hunter	Council Member
Ernie John	Council Member
Clark Taylor	Council Member

Staff Present:

David Bunker	City Administrator
Camden Bird	Assistant City Administrator
Lauralee Miller	Executive Assistant
Terilyn Lurker	City Recorder
Stephanie Finau	Deputy Recorder
Cherylyn Egner	Legal Counsel
Brante Stevens	Communications Specialist
Aaron Brems	Fire Chief
Cameron Paul	Police Chief
George Schade	IT Director

Also present: Josh Christensen (Chamber), Kristina Wesemann (Chamber), Janet Wright, Fire Department, Summerisa & Spencer Stevens (Harrington), Kevin Barnes, Lucas Dudley and family members of Council Member Tim Holley, Clark Taylor and Ernie John.

The American Fork City Council held a Special Session on Wednesday, January 3, 2024, in the American Fork City Hall, located at 31 N. Church Street, commencing at 12:00 p.m.

SPECIAL SESSION

1. Welcome.

Mayor Frost welcomed everyone to the meeting. Those present recited the Pledge of Allegiance and the Mayor recognized the existing Council Members on the stand and Council Member Barnes who was in the congregation.

2. Swearing in of Councilmembers-Elect Tim Holley, Ernie John, and Clark Taylor.

Ms. Lurker led the swearing-in of the newly voted-in Council Members and afterwards they took their seat on the stand.

3. Remarks from Mayor Frost and Council Members.

Mayor Frost asked the newly voted Council Members to report brief thoughts about today.

Council Member Holley expressed how important this day is and that he has felt excitement but also a little bit of trepidation. He expressed appreciation and love for his wife who is going through her first pregnancy through the campaign and how supportive she's been in pushing him to make sure that he kept going and days he didn't want to during the campaign. He thanked those that helped him with his campaign and helped guide him and offer support. He added that this responsibility and position he is following in the footsteps of many great men and women who have served the city for the past 150 years and it is something he does not take lightly. He understands there is a lot of work to be done and opportunities for things that are going to be done and to continue the great work that has been pushed previously.

Council Member John expressed his appreciation for his wife and how important this occasion is for him. He stated that he had run once before for Council and was not elected and at the behest of a previous mayor Jay Hadfield, he owes a big thanks for setting a great example that he can follow. He added that he was grateful Mr. Hadfield leadership and friendship. He expressed appreciation for the men and women on the Council and for their examples. He mentioned Heidi Rodeback, a previous Council Member, and stated that he hopes to be able to do as good a job as she did. He felt emotional as he was sworn in when supporting the Constitution, it meant a lot to him and expressed appreciation for this country. He stated he is grateful for the opportunity to be able to support the State of Utah and the city of American Fork and with the support of the citizens, they can face the challenges of growth and make things right.

Council Member Taylor expressed his gratitude for the opportunity to serve again. He expressed deep gratitude and support for the help that he has received. He added that this is his 4th time serving as a Council Member. He added that he is appreciative of all that goes on in the city and the workings of the city administration and employees for that is where his introduction to city workings began. He stated his father was the City Recorder for years and the Public Works Administrator and his grandfather was a mayor and how he has great love and pride for the city of American Fork and will do his best to serve the community. He also expressed a debt of gratitude to his family for their support over the years. He expressed his appreciation to his wife for her support in all the years he has served on the Council. He also expressed the camaraderie of the Council as they come together as a team to work for solutions and will do their very best in serving the community.

Mayor Frost reiterated what Council Member Taylor stated that they are here to represent the people of American Fork and their businesses. He added that together they will work with neighboring cities and agencies like UDOT and Mountainland Association of Government. He stated confidence in the Council Members to make decisions that are good for the city. And expressed gratitude to the Council for their willingness to serve and to build a community.

4. Review and action on a resolution providing for the continuity of government pursuant to the provisions of the Emergency Interim Succession Act.

Mayor Frost stated that this resolution is mandated by state law in case of emergency where the mayor cannot be reached for any reason or purpose and emergency needs to be addressed that it goes to a succession of member of the Council as a continuity of government. He stated that the continuity would be the mayor Pro Tem, Council Member Clark, Council Member Carroll, Council Member Hunter, Council Member John, and Council Member Holley.

Council Member Hunter moved to approve a resolution for the continuity of government pursuant to the provisions of the Emergency Interim Succession Act. Council Member Carroll seconded the motion. Voting was as follows:

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Ryan Hunter, Council Member
SECONDER:	Staci Carroll, Council Member
YES:	Hunter, Holley, John, Carroll, Taylor

5. Adjournment.

Council Member Taylor moved to adjourn the meeting. Council Member Hunter seconded the motion. All were unanimous.

The meeting adjourned at 12:20 pm.



Stephanie Finau
Deputy Recorder