

APPROVED MINUTES
WATKINS CITY COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, JUNE 1, 2022
SPECIAL MEETING

Mayor Rowan called the special meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. at City Hall.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Chris Rowan, Tootz Tschumperlin, Sue Unterberger, Brenda Carlson.

MEMBERS ABSENT: Marc Wirz

Others: Public Works Director Steve Geislinger, Clerk Deb Kramer

Purpose of the meeting was to interview a candidate for the Public Works Assistant position.

The candidate was informed that the city does not provide medical insurance and the position would be eligible for PERA. The candidates were also informed of the city's PTO policy and paid holidays.

Jay Hemmesch: Jay has related experience in public works through county work. He has a commercial driver's license. No water or wastewater license. He has heavy equipment experience. He has some experience with water/wastewater maintenance/repair. He has experience with equipment repair and maintenance. He is willing to work towards getting water and wastewater licenses and pool operator's license. He would be available to be on-call with call backs at all times of the night and weekends. He is willing and able to perform on-call snowplowing and be available most weekends. He has experience with street maintenance and repair.

Council reviewed the applicant's experience and qualifications. Council discussed the ranking of applicants and wages. Council will review the PTO policy at the next council meeting to amend. Council also recommended it review wages for advancement of current employees.

MOTION BY CARLSON TO OFFER THE PUBLIC WORKS ASSISTANT POSITION TO JAY HEMMESCH AT \$27 PER HOUR WITH .50 PER HOUR INCREASE FOR EACH CERTIFICATION EARNE, KRYSTAL JOHNSON WOULD BE 2ND ALTERNATIVE AT \$30 PER HOUR, 3RD ALTERNATIVE WOULD BE JARED ERICKSON AT \$27 PER HOUR WITH .50 PER HOUR INCREASE FOR EACH CERTIFICATION EARNED.

MOTION BY UNTERBERGER TO ADJOURN THE MEETING, SECONDED BY CARLSON. MOTION CARRIED.

Adjourned at 7:57 p.m.

Submitted by

Deb Kramer, Clerk

ATTEST:

Chris Rowan, Mayor