



HELENA CITY COUNCIL

DECEMBER 18, 2024

**MINUTES HELENA CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL CALLED MEETING
DECEMBER 18, 2024**

The Council of the City of Helena met in a special called meeting on Wednesday night, December 18, 2024, in the Helena Municipal Building at 5:30 P.M., regular place and time for holding said meetings.

Council President Alice Lobell called the meeting to order at 5:31 P.M.

Reverend Kirksey led the prayer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alice Lobell.

Roll Call

Present: Alice Lobell, Chris Willis, Laura Joseph, and Harold Woodman

Members: Alice Lobell, Chris Willis, Laura Joseph, and Harold Woodman

Absent:

Visitors: City Attorney Brian Hayes, Mayor Brian Puckett, Fire Captain Ed Lindsey, and others (list attached)

Council President Alice Lobell declared a quorum present, and meeting was open for business.

5. Appointment of Grievance Committee Member – Applications Received from Kevin Bullock, Dawn Caballero, Mike Matthews, Andy Klein, and Ben Nichols.

Council members discussed all applicants, and invited applicants to give a brief pitch to the Council. After hearing from the applicants and deliberation between Council members, the final two candidates were Kevin Bullock and Mike Matthews. Alice Lobell called for a nomination.

6. Approve/Deny: Grievance Committee Member Appointment

Laura Joseph made a motion to approve the appointment of Kevin Bullock as Grievance Committee Member; with a second by **Harold Woodman**.

Roll Call Vote:

AYE: Laura Joseph, Harold Woodman, and Alice Lobell

NAY: Chris Willis

Motion carried.

7. Interviews for City Council Vacancy, Place 2 – Applications Received from Andy Healy, Matt Herndon, Chuck Oehrlein, Brooke Dodson, Tim Wolfe, Scot Newman, Dominga Gardner, and Alex Miller.

Candidates were selected in random order for interviews and were sequestered in the Fire Department so as not to overhear any other candidate interviews.

- o **Chuck Oehrlein**
- o **Alex Miller**
- o **Brooke Dodson**
- o **Matt Herndon**

- o **Dominga Gardner**
- o **Andy Healy**
- o **Tim Wolfe**
- o **Scot Newman** – withdrew via email 12/16/2024

8. Adjournment

There being no further business meeting was adjourned at 9:32 pm.

ATTEST:

Madison Harris
City Clerk

SIGNED:

Alice Lobell
Council President