

Special Meeting

The Town of Chester Council held a Special meeting on August 30, 2024, at 12:15 pm.

Members Present: Mayor James Dahlen, Council Persons, Sonja Dahlen, Scott Decker, Tina Neer, and Garrett Graff

Members Absent: Rachel Ghekiere and Jim Sivils

Staff Present:

Ashley Wickum (Clerk/Treasurer)

Guests:

Pledge of Allegiance

1. Mayor James Dahlen called the Special Meeting to order at 12:15 pm
2. Public Comment- None
3. New Business: Hire Interim Public Works Director: Mayor Dahlen informed the council that retired Public Works Director, John Kleinsasser was willing to return temporary part time to help the Town during this transition. DEQ will issue a temporary license for John for the Town to operate the Water Plant under. John would be available to direct the crew in all areas, as well as training in the operation of the water and sewer. Scott Decker asked if John would be on call. John would not be taking an on-call shift but would be available to answer any questions and to make adjustments to the water plant if needed. Garrett Graff wanted to make sure that the Town was working with John to make sure that this wouldn't affect his retirement. Tina Neer made the motion to hire John Kleinsasser as the Temporary Part-time Public Works Director at his wage that he retired at, \$30.81/hr. Garrett Graff seconded the motion. Motion passed with all voting ayes.
4. Tina Neer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Sonja Dahlen seconded the motion. The Special Meeting was adjourned at 12:30 pm.

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Members Present: Mayor James Dahlen, Council Persons, Sonja Dahlen, Scott Decker, Tina Neer, and Garrett Graff

Members Absent: Rachel Ghekiere and Jim Sivils

Staff Present:

Ashley Wickum (Clerk/Treasurer)

Guests:

1. Mayor James Dahlen called the Special Meeting to order at 12:30 pm
2. Public Comment: None
 1. New Business: Wages: Current operator wages were discussed along with on call pay. Scott Decker made the motion to 1. Set on-call rates as noted below by resolution at the next meeting until such time when the council determines it necessary to readjust the rates.
 - \$80 /on call with no license
 - \$110/ on call with one license
 - \$130/on call with two licenses
 - \$150/on call with three licenses
 2. To give David Lindsey a \$.50/hr raise starting August payroll and complete an evaluation in three months' time. David Lindsey will have one year under the temporary license from DEQ to pass his test and will receive the \$.50/hr increase when he passes the water treatment test. Sonja Dahlen seconded the motion. Motion passed with all voting ayes.
3. Tina Neer made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Scott Decker seconded the motion. The Budget Hearing was adjourned at 6:05 pm.