



Special Council Meeting
6:00 p.m., Monday, July 20, 2020
Virtual Meeting via Zoom

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SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

A special meeting of the Farmington City Council was held on July 20, 2020, as a Virtual Meeting via Zoom, an electronic meeting platform. Notice of the meeting was posted in compliance with Public Act 267-1976 and electronically as authorized by Executive Order 2020-129 signed by Governor Whitmer on June 18, 2020, in order to mitigate the spread of COVID-19, protect the public health, and provide essential protections to vulnerable Michiganders by limiting in-person contact and the number of people interacting at public gatherings.

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 p.m. by Mayor Sara Bowman.

1. ROLL CALL

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Sara Bowman	Mayor	Present	
David DeLind	Councilmember	Absent	
Joe LaRussa	Mayor Pro Tem	Absent	
Steve Schneemann	Councilmember	Present	
Maria Taylor	Councilmember	Present	

City Administration Present

City Clerk Mullison
City Manager Murphy

2. APPROVAL OF AGENDA

Move to approve the agenda as presented.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS PRESENTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Schneemann, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

Bowman mentioned that, with another recent resignation from the Library Board, there are now two openings representing Farmington on the Library Board. She requested that the interviews be postponed until a full Council could be present.

Move to amend the agenda, removing Library Board interviews.

RESULT:	APPROVED AS AMENDED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Schneemann, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember

3. BOARD OF REVIEW INTERVIEW

Tim Prince was interviewed by Council for appointment to the Farmington Board of Review.

Move to appoint Tim Prince to the Board of Review for a 3-year term ending December 31, 2023.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Schneemann, Councilmember
AYES:	Taylor, Bowman, Schneemann
ABSENT:	DeLind, LaRussa

4. OTHER BUSINESS

City Manager Murphy inquired whether Council would consider giving Public Safety officers a one-time hazardous pay bonus due to their efforts toward the pandemic since the bonus would be reimbursable by the State.

Schneemann commended Public Safety personnel for their work in this difficult time. He was supportive and thankful for the bonus being available. Bowman was also pleased to support this and wanted to know if other departments could also be included. Murphy said that bonuses for all City staff would be important for morale and that he would be all for that, especially to Public Works employees. Bowman asked who would be included without tapping into additional taxpayer monies, and Murphy said if all full time employees and all part-time workers at a prorated amount were given the bonus it would take roughly \$30,000. Only Public Safety bonuses would be reimbursable through the State program. Taylor supported hazard pay for all staff and stated that they deserve it especially when they are putting their own health and safety on the line. Schneemann asked whether anything could be reimbursed beyond the Public Safety department, and Murphy agreed, but suggested that other COVID monies could be used for the remainder. Schneemann indicated support for the suggestion.

Move to approve hazardous pay for Public Safety as well as other full time and, in a prorated way, part time City staff with the understanding that this will not be coming out of Farmington city taxes.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Schneemann, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Taylor, Councilmember
AYES:	Bowman, Schneemann, Taylor
ABSENT:	DeLind, LaRussa

5. PUBLIC COMMENT

No public comment was heard.

6. COUNCIL COMMENT

No Council comment was heard.

7. ADJOURNMENT

Move to adjourn the meeting.

RESULT:	APPROVED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Taylor, Councilmember
SECONDER:	Schneemann, Councilmember

The meeting adjourned at 6:25 pm.

Sara Bowman, Mayor

Mary Mullison, City Clerk

Approval Date: August 17, 2020