

The Sheffield City Council Special Session was called to order at Sheffield City Hall by Mayor Nick Wilson, at 6:00PM on Monday November 27th, 2017. Council Members in attendance were Jim Hegarty, JC McCaslin, Mike McKee (arriving at 7:15PM), Brad Mulford, and James Robbins. Also in attendance was Sam Cain, Police Chief.

Mayor Wilson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Hegarty motioned to approve the agenda with the change, McCaslin seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Public Forum – Shirley Meints was present to address the council regarding the camper parked at her rental property. The camper is parked in the right of way and she didn't understand why it needed to be moved. It was explained that Scott Deam had complained that the camper restricted his view when backing out of his driveway, which is why the situation had been addressed. Shirley explained to the council that she had issue with Deam burning garbage in his backyard. Mayor Wilson told Shirley that when this occurs, she needs to call into the police department so it can be addressed. Jeff Rosenberg & Summer Schmidt were also present to voice their appreciation for Chief Cain regarding a personal situation recently.

New Business

- Hegarty motioned to enter a closed session per the request of the city clerk pursuant to Iowa Code 21.5(1)(i), Robbins seconded the motion, it was approved unanimously, and closed session was entered at 6:15PM. McCaslin motioned to exit the closed session at 7:34PM, Mulford seconded the motion, and it was approved unanimously.
- Councilman Hegarty addressed the public and said that a lot of information was discussed on both sides of the situation. Hegarty made a motion to issue a written warning to Sam Cain based on the complaint issued by the City Clerk. The written warning will stay on record for 6 months and then fall off. Mulford seconded the motion and roll call vote was as follows, Ayes: Hegarty, McCaslin, McKee, Mulford, Robbins. The motion approved. After the motion, Mulford addressed the employees and stated that this is a very serious consequence and it needs to be taken as such. Hegarty stated that all employees within the city need to find a way to work together respectfully. Robbins stated that no matter the situation, all city employees need to be professional at all times, even if not on the job. It was also stated that the back doors of city hall should remain locked at all times and that the Police Department is allowed to get a lock specifically for the door on their office.

Mayor/Council Comments – Mayor Wilson will call the city attorney in the morning to address her letter to the council and mayor. The mayor will also be meeting with the city clerk and assistant city clerk to address issues within the department.

McKee motioned to adjourn the meeting, Robbins seconded the motion and it passed unanimously. Adjournment at 7:52PM.

Katy Flint, City Clerk

Nick Wilson, Mayor