



## City of Mentor-on-the-Lake

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### MINUTES SPECIAL MEETING OF COUNCIL CITY OF MENTOR-ON-THE-LAKE FEBRUARY 7, 2016

The Special Meeting of Council of February 7, 2017, for the City of Mentor-on-the-Lake, Ohio, was called to Order at 7:00 P.M. by Council President Desirea Thompson.

**CALL TO ORDER: PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Council President Thompson asked the applicants to step out to the hallway until they were called back to the Community Room for their interview in the order in which their Resume was received.

**ROLL CALL:**

Aye: **At Large:** PRESTON WOLK, Vice President  
Aye: **Ward 3:** ROB JOHNSON  
**At Large:**  
Aye: **At Large:** JIM LUNDER  
Aye: **Ward 1:** DAVID CHABUT  
Aye: **Ward 2:** PAUL MORRIS  
Aye: **Ward 4:** DESIREA THOMPSON, President

The following candidates expressed an interest in the vacant Council Seat. The candidates were called into the Community Room individually and given an opportunity to address Council and Council was given an opportunity to ask questions:

- Jennifer Jakosh
- Troy Elam
- Kevin Bittner
- Harry Burt

After the interviews, Council President Thompson asked if anyone wanted to make a Motion to go into Executive Session or if Council would just like to do a round of voting.

**MOTION MADE BY MR. MORRIS, Seconded by Mr. Johnson, to do a round of voting.**

**ROLL CALL:** Council Member Wolk, Johnson, Lunder, Chabut, Morris, Thompson.

**MOTION CARRIED: 6/0**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS VOTE BY FOR NEW MEMBER OF COUNCIL:**

Council President Thompson advised Council would vote by ballot and pass their ballots to the Clerk. The ballots were then tallied by the Clerk of Council.

**BALLOT NO. 1 - TALLY:**

Jennifer Jakosh	2 Votes
Troy Elam	2 Votes
Kevin Bittner	2 Votes
Harry Burt	0 Votes

**MOTION MADE BY MR. MORRIS** to go into Executive Session. There was no Second. Council President Thompson asked if Council wanted to do another round of ballots.

**BALLOT NO. 2 - TALLY:**

Jennifer Jakosh	1 Votes
Troy Elam	2 Votes
Kevin Bittner	3 Votes
Harry Burt	0 Votes

Council President Thompson asked for discussion. Council Member Wolk stated in his personal opinion, with Mr. Hawkins leaving, left a pretty big void in experience. He thinks Mr. Hawkins' years of experience on Council were very valuable to what Council is doing, and thinks Troy Elam would be an excellent replacement for Mr. Hawkins. There were no other comments.

Council President Thompson announced there would be another round of ballots.

**BALLOT NO. 3 - TALLY:**

Jennifer Jakosh	0 Votes
Troy Elam	2 Votes
Kevin Bittner	4 Votes
Harry Burt	0 Votes

The majority vote for the vacant Council Member position went to Kevin Bittner. Council President Thompson asked the Mayor to administer the Oath of Office to Mr. Bittner.

Council Member Morris thanked everyone for applying for the vacant Council seat. They made it a very tough decision as there were several qualified candidates. Council Member Chabut and Council President Thompson agreed.

**7:32 P.M.** Mayor Eva administered the oath of office to Kevin Bittner as the new At-Large Council Member.

Council President Thompson announced the next Agenda Meeting will be on February 9, 2017, and the next Regular Council Meeting will be held on February 14, 2017.

**ADJOURNMENT:**

**MOTION MADE BY MR. MORRIS**, Seconded by Mr. Chabut, for Adjournment. ROLL CALL:  
Ayes: Council Member Wolk, Johnson, Lunder, Chabut, Morris, Thompson. Nays: None.

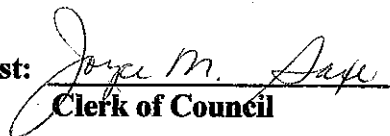
**MOTION CARRIED: 6/0**

The Special Meeting of Council adjourned at 7:35 P.M.

**APPROVED:**

February 14, 2017  
Date

  
President of Council

Attest:   
Clerk of Council