

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE PORTAGE CITY COUNCIL
BOARD AND COMMISSION INTERVIEW SESSION
OCTOBER 1, 2019**

Mayor Patricia Randall called the meeting to order at 5:15 p.m. The following Councilmembers were present at this meeting: Councilmembers Lori Knapp, Claudette Reid, Terry Urban, Mayor Pro Tem Jim Pearson and Mayor Patricia Randall. Councilmembers Chris Burns and Richard Ford were absent with excuse. Also present were City Manager Laurence Shaffer and City Clerk Adam Herringa.

* From 5:15 p.m. to 5:30 p.m., City Council interviewed Mary Norris, Sharon White and Linda Zoeller. At the request of Mayor Randall, Mr. Wierenga, Senior Citizen Advisory Board Chairperson, provided an overview of the Senior Citizen Advisory Board. Mr. Joseph Magalski interviewed for the Senior Citizen Advisory Board when he arrived for an interview on the Park Board.

* From 5:30 p.m. to 5:45 p.m., City Council interviewed Joseph Chamberlin, Chelsea Huber, Jeana Koerber and Lauren McMullan for the Environmental Board. Current Board Member Chelsea Huber summarized the role of the Environmental Board at the Mayor's request.

* From 5:45 p.m. to 6:00 p.m., City Council interviewed Michael Barton, Jeremy Custer, Rebecca Lopez and Nick Meyle for the Historic District Commission. Current members Barton, Custer and Lopez reviewed the activities and meeting schedule of the Historic District Commission.

* From 6:00 p.m. to 6:15 p.m., City Council reviewed the status of the Human Services Board, membership and applicants. No candidates or members of this board were present. City Council discussed extending the appointment of the current Chairperson, Elma Pat Maye, to the end of the year and then holding interviews again in January in the hopes that the candidates could be present. City Council expressed reluctance to make an appointment without first meeting the candidate(s).

* From 6:15 p.m. to 6:30 p.m., City Council interviewed Thomas Cedoz, Joseph Magalski, Jonathon Peer and Leanne Phelan for the Park Board. Ms. Jeana Koerber who interviewed earlier for the Environmental Board also expressed interest in serving on the Park Board. Mr. Jonathon Peer, Chairperson of the Park Board, reviewed the roles, responsibilities and meeting schedule of the Park Board.

* From 6:30 p.m. to 6:40 p.m., City Council interviewed John Herberg and Daniel Vomastek for the Economic Development Corporation/Tax Increment Finance Authority and Brownfield Redevelopment Authority. City Manager Shaffer and Mr. Vomastek reviewed the roles and responsibilities of this board.

City Council then deliberated as to which applicants should be appointed to the various boards and commissions and to what terms.

ADJOURN: Mayor Randall adjourned the meeting at 6:52 p.m.

Adam Herringa, City Clerk