

The Saraland City Council met in special session on June 26, 2023, at the Saraland Municipal Annex. The meeting was called to order at 4:31 p.m. by Council President McDonald. Roll call was as follows:

Present: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Newton Cromer
Councilmember Veronica Hudson
Councilmember Natalie Moye

Attorney Andy Rutens was present.

Councilmember Biggs opened the meeting with prayer.

Council President McDonald advised the purpose of this meeting is for interviewing the Saraland School Board member applicants. Other municipal business may be considered at this time.

Interviews were scheduled as follows:

4:30 – 5:00 Laney Andrews
5:00 – 5:30 Sean Bryant
5:30 – 6:00 Kris Nelson
6:00 – 6:30 Marquis Westry

Interviews concluded at 6:40 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Hudson, seconded by Councilmember Biggs, to appoint Mr. Kris Nelson to the Saraland School Board. Motion carried.

Council President McDonald advised there is a matter to be discussed in executive session to discuss the consideration the city is willing to offer in consideration of the purchase of real property and to discuss preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade and commerce in which the city is in competition with private entities or other government bodies and these discussions would have a detrimental effect upon the competitive position upon the location and expansion of a business entity in the city if disclosed outside executive session.

City Attorney, Andy Rutens, advised this is appropriate use of executive session as authorized by state law.

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs, seconded by Councilmember Cromer, to adjourn into executive session with Mayor Rubenstein and Andy Rutens to discuss the consideration the city is willing to offer in consideration of the purchase of real property and to discuss preliminary negotiations involving matters of trade and commerce in which the city is in competition with private entities or other government bodies and these discussions would have a detrimental effect upon the competitive position upon the location and expansion of a business entity in the city if disclosed outside executive session.

The following votes were recorded:

Yes: Council President Joe McDonald
Councilmember Wayne Biggs
Councilmember Newton Cromer
Councilmember Veronica Hudson
Councilmember Natalie Moye

Motion carried.

Council President McDonald advised he anticipates the executive session to last approximately twenty (20) minutes.

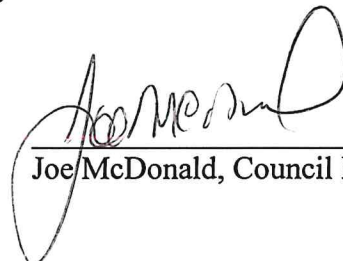
The Council adjourned into executive session with the Mayor and City Attorney at 7:07 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Cromer, seconded by Councilmember Hudson, to reconvene at 7:38 with all members present. Motion carried.

There being no further business to come before the Council, motion was made by Councilmember Cromer to adjourn at 7:38 p.m.

ACCEPTED and APPROVED the 13th day of July 2023.


Judi Smith, City Clerk


Joe McDonald, Council President