

City of Springdale Council

December 1

2013

President of Council Margie Harlow called Council to order on December 1, 2013, at 5:00 p.m.

The governmental body and those in attendance recited the pledge of allegiance. Mrs. McNear gave the invocation.

Mrs. McNear took roll call. Mrs. Emerson, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Knox, Mr. Vanover, and Mrs. Harlow were present. Mr. Diehl came later. Mr. Squires came later.

The four newly elected Council members were dismissed.

**SWEARING IN CEREMONY**

Law Director Jeff Forbes introduced Judge Melba Marsh. Judge Marsh proceeded to swear in each of the four Council members individually in the following order: Councilmember Tom Vanover, Councilmember Marjorie Harlow, Councilmember Holly Emerson and Councilmember Lawrence Hawkins. Each of the members proceeded to take their seat on the dais.

Mrs. McNear called roll. Present were Mr. Diehl, Mrs. Emerson, Mr. Hawkins, Mr. Knox, Mr. Squires, Mr. Vanover, and Mrs. Harlow.

**ELECTION OF PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL**

Mr. Diehl nominated Mr. Vanover to serve as President of Council. Mr. Vanover was nominated by acclamation. Mrs. McNear asked for affirmation and Mr. Vanover was elected with six affirmative votes.

**ELECTION OF VICE-PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL**

Mr. Diehl nominated Lawrence Hawkins to serve as Vice-President of Council. Mr. Hawkins was nominated by acclamation. Mrs. McNear asked for affirmation and Mr. Hawkins was elected with six affirmative votes.

Mr. Vanover took over as President of Council and Mr. Hawkins as Vice-President of Council.

**OLD BUSINESS**

Mayor Webster said congratulations on your election as President of Council and I would like to take this opportunity to congratulate all the newly seated Council. We look forward to working with all of you for the next two years. A special word of thanks to Mrs. Harlow; we have worked very closely over the last six years and I think she has done an outstanding job as President of Council and I certainly appreciate all your cooperation. Mr. Vanover, I look forward to working with you and all newly elected Council members. Our door is always open for any issues, ideas, concerns. No one has all the answers. This is a partnership and we'll certainly try to run it as such. I would like to introduce Springdale's favorite Board of Education member who was recently re-elected. Lawrence's mother, Lillian is with us. Congratulations and look forward to having you sworn in for another term on the Board of Education.

Mr. Vanover said I'd like to recognize our Police Chief here in attendance.

**NEW BUSINESS**

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COMMUNICATIONS FROM THE AUDIENCE

Mr. Wynndel Burns, First Vice Mayor of Forest Park, said I came to support all of you, especially my good friend and relative, Lawrence Hawkins in your endeavors. As you know, we work as a partnership between two cities and it is better to have great relationships and familiar relations. I just want to welcome you all, congratulate you all and at any point in time if you have a concern or issue, you can always call us as you often do and we will do the same. Thank you for your support and service.

Mr. Vanover said we've always had a good working relationship with Forest Park and we appreciate the time and words.

Council adjourned at 7:22 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathy McNear  
Clerk of Council/Finance Director

Minutes Approved:

Tom Vanover, President of Council

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