

**Minutes of the Special Meeting/Workshop, Thursday, July 25<sup>th</sup>, 2019, 6:10 pm.**

**Present:** Mayor Brown and Councilmembers Kriner, Levine, Ritter and Sackman.

**Staff:** Darren Johnson, Troy Nielsen, Frank Holfeltz and Deniece Miller

This meeting was held at City Hall and notice was properly given.

This meeting was a follow up on the subjects discussed at the retreat that was held on March 23, 2019, goals, priority items and projects for years to come.

There was discussion on prioritizing the big items.

Sewer: Public Works needs a better process when the aeration system in the sewer ponds need replaced. They would like to build a barge for this. Council asked Johnson to speak with Clerk Attwood about funds in the reserve fund to cover it. An assessment needs to be done on the lift station and Council would like Varela's to be contacted to do it.

City Shop: The shop roof was discussed and Council would like Clerk Attwood to look into a USDA loan for a grant for the roof, 3 bay doors and a storage mezzanine.

Water: Public Works would like to purchase a hot water pipe thawer before this winter.

Equipment: Brakes are needed for the backhoe. Council will look into a grant when they attend IACC for a new plow truck. For other pieces of equipment they need to be put on the 2020 budget.

Parks: There was a discussion about the trees in the park. People are very emotional about them. Council would like to remove any trees that could cause a danger or are dead. The spring clean-up was discussed and Public Works would like the pick-up of yard debris to be scheduled the week before the actual time of pick up, and no pick-ups scheduled during the week of the clean-up. There was discussion on picking up different sections of town on certain days of the week.

The workshop adjourned at 7:57 pm.

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**Deniece Miller, Deputy Clerk-Treasurer**