

Minutes of the special meeting of the City Council of Rush City held Monday, November 7, 2022, in the City Hall Council Chambers at 4:30 p.m.

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Mayor Dahlberg called the meeting to order with the following members present: Councilors Mick Louzek, Frank Storm, Dan Meyer, Tom Schneider; Mayor Dan Dahlberg.

Others present included City Attorney Chelsie Troth, Amy Doeun of the County News Review, other media personnel, and interested citizens.

Dahlberg explained the only item on the agenda was the notice letter sent to Jason and Erin Oare regarding the mural that was added to their property. There are deficiencies to the code that can leave it open to different interpretations. He explained that in response to the letter, the City has received a variety of feedback from community members.

Motion by Dahlberg, second by Louzek: To withdraw the notice of violation letter that was sent to the owners of 237 W. 4th Street and take no further enforcement action, and direct staff to address deficiencies in the Zoning Ordinance by making proposed revisions to present for community and Council consideration.

The motion resulted in a roll call vote: Louzek, Yes; Storm, No; Meyer, Yes; Schneider, Yes; Dahlberg, Yes. MC

Louzek made a motion to adjourn and was interrupted by a member of the audience to ask if the Oare's could please make their statement because they should be able to speak. Dahlberg asked who was speaking and she said she was, Susan Elliott, supporter of the Oare's and explained that they had a right to let the Council know how it affected them.

Storm then asked Louzek to remove his motion. If they would like to speak, it should be before the motion was made. Elliott explained that the Oare's hadn't been given the option to speak. Dahlberg explained that they should come to a regular meeting or Planning Commission meeting as public comment was not on the agenda.

City Attorney Troth explained it wasn't a public hearing, it's a special meeting, that if the Council would like the Oare's to speak that they can legally do that. It is not required, but is at the Council's discretion.

Jason and Erin Oare were given permission to read their prepared statements for the public comment period of 3 minutes.

Jason and Erin Oare then addressed the Council.

Motion by Louzek, second by Meyer: To adjourn the meeting at 4:40 p.m. MC

/s/ Amy Jo Mell
Administrator

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