

RECORD OF PROCEEDINGS

Minutes of

COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NORTH CANTON

SPECIAL

Meeting

DAYTON LEGAL BLANK, INC., FORM NO. 10148

Held Monday, February 2, 6:55 p.m. 20 04

CALL TO ORDER:

The special meeting was called to order Monday, February 2, 2004 at 6:55 p.m. by President of Council Jon Snyder.

Mr. Snyder: Pursuant to a roll call vote of council, the meeting was called for the purpose of the confirmation of Mayor Tom Rice's appointment to the Director of Administration, one Michael Miller. Inaudible... as time is of the essence, but I will go around the horn and speaking again of any member wishing to speak. Mr. Foltz...

Mr. Foltz: Yea, as I said Friday at our meeting...

Mrs. Bittle: Inaudible... a roll call first?

Mr. Snyder: Oh I - excuse me Mr. Foltz. I apologize, I have to call a roll. My apologies sir...

Mr. Lindower: Are you here?

Mr. Foltz: Here.

ROLL CALL:

1. The following members of council responded to roll call: Foltz, Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters Sarbach and Snyder. Also present were: Mayor Rice, Director of Law Pusateri, Director of Finance Herr, City Engineer Benekos and Clerk of Council Bittle.

2. Voice Vote - Confirmation of Michael Miller as Director of Administration

Mr. Snyder: Go ahead Mr. Foltz, excuse me.

Mr. Foltz: As I said, Friday Mr. Miller has the credentials, he's served the public very well in his tenure of employment in various positions that are if not more stature very similar. So I think it's a great fit for the city. And I wish to welcome him aboard. And hopefully the rest of council sees this at this time. So he has my full support.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you sir. Mr. Lindower.

Mr. Lindower: Yes, as you are aware I voted no last Friday because of lack of information that I apparently had. I've received a total of 18 telephone calls since last Friday's meeting. And I want to thank anybody who is here in the audience that did call me, I appreciate the calls. I've done a little research of my own. Again, I would like to say to Mr. Miller, I didn't know the gentleman prior to this meeting, and I understand he's fully qualified, as a matter of fact I'm looking forward to working with him. And tonight I will vote yes on his appointment.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you sir. Mr. Lane.

Mr. Lane: Yea, as I indicated last Friday, I think the city needs an administrator and it is the Mayor's call. Michael Miller is certainly qualified for that job. And I think we need to move on and get him in there and then discuss some of the other issues that we have and some of the concerns we have in another forum. So I would certainly recommend approval for that.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you sir. Mrs. Kiesling.

Mrs. Kiesling: Yes, I'd just like to say thank you to Mr. Miller for being patient with us up here on council. I think Friday night was a little rushed for everybody. I've also had several calls this weekend and have done a little research and definitely believe Mr. Miller is highly qualified for the job. I think he'll be a great fit. I just don't know that we were quite prepared to do it on Friday night. I just want to - I can't comment if there's anybody else more qualified. We didn't do a search, which I know timing is an issue, but I would of been a little more comfortable with a search. But at this moment I think - I think we'll give you your chance and I'll work with you and I think everything will be alright. And I'll vote yes.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you. Mr. Peters.

Mr. Peters: Well I too, I received quite a few phone calls this weekend too. Actually from some of his former employees from the City of Canton and you know they had a lot of nice things to say about him. And his credentials are definitely there. And you know in the spirit of cooperation, you know looking for - we need to move forward, bottom line. We need to take care of city business and I'm ready to vote yes tonight.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you sir. Mr. Sarbach.

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Mr. Sarbach: Yea, I'd like to thank my colleagues who were patient enough with me that we could go from 24 to 96 hours on this important process. And in that time I've talked to several people that I have a lot of faith and trust in and community leaders and come to the same conclusion. And I am comfortable with this appointment and I'm prepared to vote yes.

Mr. Snyder: Thank you. Mr. Miller I might say on behalf of the council sir I want to thank you for you spirit of hanging in there allowing city government to operate in the transparent method with all full disclosure to the public and to the Office of the Mayor and to the Office of the Council. I think my learned colleagues and friends have done their homework. You provided them the necessary information they needed, I thank you for that. And without further ado I'd like the Clerk to call the roll please. Oh excuse me, I do need a motion to hire Mr. Miller as the - confirm, excuse me I apologize ...inaudible... confirm Mr. Miller to the position of Director of Administration, City of North Canton.

Mr. Foltz moved and Mr. Lindower seconded to confirm the appointment of Mr. Michael Miller to the position of Director of Administration. All members present voting:  
 Yes: Kiesling, Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder and Foltz.  
 No: 0

Mr. Sarbach: Welcome Mike.

Mr. Snyder: Welcome sir. Inaudible... you don't get a name tag your first ...

Mr. Miller: I think at this point everybody knows who I am.

Mr. Foltz: He sits at the big table now Jon.

Mayor Rice: It hasn't been ordered yet.

Mr. Snyder: Okay, alright... May I have a motion to adjourn this special meeting.

**ADJOURN:**

Mr. Sarbach moved and Mr. Lane seconded to adjourn the special council meeting. All members present voting:  
 Yes: Lane, Lindower, Peters, Sarbach, Snyder, Foltz and Kiesling.  
 No: 0

The special council meeting adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

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 PRESIDENT OF COUNCIL

ATTEST:

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 CLERK OF COUNCIL