

August 30, 2011

The City Council of the City of Fort Morgan, Colorado, met this day in the Council Chambers of City Hall. The Honorable Mayor Terry L. McAlister called the special meeting to order at 7:03 p.m.

The Pledge of Allegiance was given.

Roll Call: Present: Honorable Mayor Terry L. McAlister
Councilmember Scott Bryan
Councilmember Sharol Lyn Deal
Councilmember Debra J. Forstedt
Councilmember Brent M. Nation
Councilmember James A. Powers
Councilmember Ronald Shaver

The meeting was also attended by Acting City Manager/City Attorney Jeffrey Wells, Police Chief Keith Kuretich, Community Development Director David Callahan and City Clerk John Brennan.

PRESENTATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A RESOLUTION CANCELING THE 2011 MUNICIPAL ELECTION

Wells explained that the deadlines for filing as candidates for municipal offices had passed, and there were four candidates for the four available offices in the election. Because there was no possibility of anyone opposing these candidates in the election, the city could realize substantial savings in election costs by calling off the election. Approval of the Resolution would mean the election would be off and the four candidates would be designated as those who would assume the offices when the terms begin in January 2012, Wells said.

Councilmember Powers asked if all legal questions had been addressed in the Resolution to cancel the election, and whether the city had an ordinance in place allowing it to cancel the election under these circumstances. Wells answered that these issues had been addressed and the city did have such an ordinance.

Mayor McAlister asked what would happen if one of the four candidates decided that they did not want to accept or serve in the office, and Wells said that would result in a vacancy that would be filled by appointment by the council.

Councilmember Forstedt offered a resolution to approve Resolution No. 2011-08-02, calling for the cancellation of the 2011 municipal election and deeming the candidates for office duly elected. The elected candidates included incumbents Mayor Terry McAlister and Councilmember Ron Shaver for Ward 1, and new Councilmembers Joe Segura Jr. in Ward 2, replacing James Powers, and Lisa Northrup in Ward 3, replacing Lyn Deal. The terms for the new council members will start on January 10, 2012. The resolution was seconded by Councilmember Bryan and approved unanimously.

Mayor McAlister adjourned the August 30, 2011 special meeting at 7:09 p.m.

/s/ Terry L. McAlister
Mayor

/s/ John J. Brennan
City Clerk