

**VILLAGE OF OAKWOOD
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
2024-2-17**

ATTENDANCE

Erica Nikolic, President	Dave Tapp, Fire Department
Johnnie Warren, President Pro Tem*	Brian Thompson, Finance Director
Taunya Scruggs, Ward 1	James Climer, Law Director (present via phone)
Eloise Hardin, Ward 2	
Paggie Matlock, Ward 3	
Mary Davis, Ward 4*	
Candace Williams, Ward 5	

ABSENT

Dave Tapp, Fire Department	Carlean Perez – Recreation Director
Ross Cirincione, Prosecutor	Mark Garratt, Police Department
Gary V Gottschalk, Mayor	Daniel Marinucci, Chief Bldg. Official
Tom Haba, Service Director	
Matt Jones, Village Engineer	

** Arrived after roll call*

Meeting opened at 3:07pm by Nikolic
Pledge of Allegiance
Roll Call taken

Nikolic: May I have a motion to go into executive session? **Williams:** Before that motion, did we call the Finance Director and Fire Chief to be present for executive session? **Hardin:** No, we did not to my knowledge. **Nikolic:** Yes, the Mayor wanted them to be here. **Hardin:** The Mayor does not determine how we conduct our business. **Nikolic:** Well, he thought it would be a good idea to have them here. **Williams:** He does not call people into our executive sessions. **Nikolic:** You don't want them here? **Williams:** We do not need their presence. **Nikolic:** I think the idea was for Brian to be able to discuss some of the financial ramifications of what he has been discussing with the attorney. Because there is some information or documents that the attorney requested. That was relevant to this discussion that Brian was going to report on. Same with Chief Tapp, I believe the Mayor wants him to be privy to the discussion. In order to be aware of where we are and the status of the situation. **Williams:** Okay, it is a personnel matter, so even if, Brian what do you have? **Thompson:** I was going to pass out three-year history of the contract amount collected from Glenwillow and Walton Hills. Along with the EMS collection, I had an exhibit to pass out. **Williams:** That is not relevant to this discussion. **Nikolic:** Maybe we should let the attorney give us his report, his update. Because we can't really discuss anything until we hear about his status of where he is with the resignation. **Matlock:** The attorney was brought in for one reason. That was to go into executive discussion. Other than that, we just need to talk amongst ourselves. Fire Chief as of now, he does not need to be here, this doesn't pertain to him.

Williams: I mean we are sorry they called you in. **Hardin:** Can I make a suggestion? Since you are here, we are willing to listen to what you have to say. When we no longer want you present, we will ask you to leave. We are not going to deny you to give input. Whatever you want to tell us, we are willing to hear it. That would be your objective, is that fair enough? **Thompson:** I just have a one-page report. **Hardin:** We are always willing to receive information, thank you. **Thompson:** So, you want to dismiss us? **Hardin:** Unless there is something specific you want to share with us. **Tapp:** No questions from me, I was here to answer questions. **Williams:** Okay, because the executive session is to consider specific things listed. So, anything you have to say would have to be specific to what we have. **Thompson:** Okay. **Hardin:** The fact that you are in the building. If we have any questions of you, we will call you in and ask, is that reasonable? **Tapp:** That is fine. **Thompson:** I'll be in my office. **Hardin:** Thank you so much. **Williams:** Sorry for the confusion. **Nikolic:** Motion to go into executive session?

Motion to enter executive session to discuss personnel made by Hardin seconded by Matlock
YES VOTE: Scruggs, Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Williams
MOTION PASSED

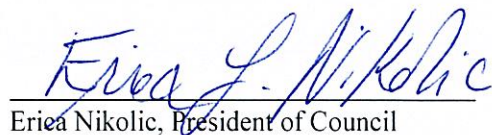
Nikolic: The meeting is opened I guess it was called by Councilwoman Hardin, Matlock, and Williams. So, we will open the floor for discussion, **Hardin:** We are now in executive session? **Nikolic:** We are now in executive session, oh and the attorney is present. **Hardin:** Could you show that the attorney is present on the phone for the record. Attorney are you still there? **Climer:** Yeah.

Motion to adjourn executive session made by Scruggs seconded by Davis
YES VOTE: Nikolic, Warren, Scruggs, Hardin, Matlock, Davis, Williams
MOTION PASSED
Adjourned at 5:59pm

Motion to adjourn made by Hardin seconded by Davis
YES VOTE: Scruggs, Hardin, Matlock, Nikolic, Williams
MOTION PASSED
Adjourned at 6:01pm

Approved 3-26-2024


Tanya Joseph, Clerk of Council


Eriea Nikolic, President of Council