

JANUARY 28, 2020
SPECIAL MEETING
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Mayor Evans noted there was not a quorum at 6:00 pm and suggested Mr. Eric Burns, attorney for the council, proceed with his information for the new council members.

Mr. Burns first brought the importance of understand the Open-Door Law. Posting meeting information, executive sessions were just a couple of the items he discussed.

Mayor had the vote to break a tie.

The Council acts by majority.

The Council is responsible for bonding, legislative functions and the budget.

Suspending the rules can only happen if majority determines to do so.

Roberts Rule applies and the City of Delphi does have specific rules. Comments from the public should come at the end of the meeting. Another rule is three reads on an ordinance. When a new ordinance is introduced by the Mayor, it should be passed on first reading realizing there two other times to address the ordinance. Changes can be made during this process.

If the Mayor exercises his right to veto, it would take 4 out of 5 council votes to override the veto.

At 6:23PM, Mayor Evans called the meeting to order. Mike Isley, Cody Nelson, Gayle Conner and Sandy Flora were present.

Mr. Burns stressed the importance of the council members knowing their duties. The are representing the community and must be informed.

Ordinances are on 3 reads and Resolutions are on one read. If for any reason council members are unsure and need more information, it can be tabled.

Mr. Burns advised caution using emails for communications. There could be a time when all your communication records are requested.

Precouncil meetings can be held but without votes.

Nepotism forms need to be signed each year and conflicts of interest forms should be filed if a possible conflict exists.

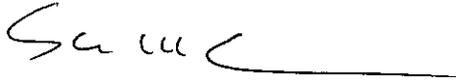
Mr. Burns informed the BOW members of his regular rate and travel time amount and noted he would charge the BOW a lesser fee of \$200 per hour plus travel time. He also advised information could be sent to his office and it would be reviewed.

After the departure of Mr. Burns, Gayle Conner asked the other members if they would like to have Mr. Burns or his staff to attend each of their meetings. It was determined through discussion not to require Mr. Burns presence at each meeting.

The public speaking during the meetings was addressed with no final conclusion. Should there be a time limit was one of the issues along with when the public would have the right to speak.

Everyone agreed it had been a very informative meeting and the open conversation with Mr. Burns was a good idea for the new members.

Cody Nelson made the motion to adjourn and second by Mike Isley. Motion carried. (4-0)
Meeting adjourned at 7:27 PM.



Mayor Shane Evans



Leanne Aldrich, Attest