

Staff Report

For Special City Council Meeting of 7/6/2022

Subject - New Business - Mayor/Councilor & Council President Appointments

Synopsis: With the resignation of Paulina Cockrum as Mayor on June 2, 2022, Council President Kerry Smith resumed Mayoral duties per Gearhart City Charter Section 19. Per Section 30. of the Charter, vacant elective city offices shall be filled by appointment by a majority vote of the remaining members of the Council. Therefore, the Council shall motion to appoint both the Mayor and a new Council President. There is also the possibility of appointing a new Councilor should interim Mayor Smith be officially appointed and vacate his Council seat.

Recommendation: Staff has no recommendation. The decision to appoint and when to appoint must be made by Council.

Legal Analysis: As noted above, depending on the decision made, a vacant Council seat may remain. It would need appointment at a public meeting with a majority vote by Council. The appointment could be made tonight, or at a later date.

Financial Analysis: N/A

Respectfully Submitted,

Chad