

Minutes of the Special Meeting of the City Council of the City of Manchester  
Wednesday, April 19, 2023

Mayor Behnken called the meeting to order at 5:02pm

Roll call of members present: Dean Sherman, Mary Ann Poynor, Bill Scherbring, Linda Schmitt, Tania Bradley. Absent: None.

Closed Session

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Scherbring to enter into closed session at 5:04pm as provided in Section 21.5(1)(i) of the Code of Iowa to evaluate the professional competency of an individual whose appointment, hiring, performance, or discharge is being considered when necessary to prevent needless and irreparable injury to that individual's reputation and that individual requests a closed session. On call of roll: Ayes: Bradley, Scherbring, Poynor, Sherman, Schmitt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

The Council returned to open session at 6:26pm.

Motion by Poynor, seconded by Schmitt to accept the resignation of Mike Ryan as Fire Chief and Firefighter for the Manchester Fire Department effective December 31, 2023. On call of roll: Ayes: Poynor, Schmitt, Scherbring, Bradley, Sherman Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Bradley, seconded by Scherbring to approve the following actions:

- Mike Ryan shall remain suspended, without pay, as Fire Chief and Firefighter until May 19, 2023.
- Mike Ryan shall no longer attend Delaware County Fire Department Meetings.
- Mike Ryan shall not have any direct communications with the Delaware County Emergency Management Services or the Delaware County Dispatch Center, except as may be required when responding to an ongoing emergency situation.
- In the event Mike Ryan violates any of the requirements of this action, the City Manager shall have the authority to impose immediate suspension from the department.

On call of roll: Bradley, Scherbring, Poynor, Sherman, Schmitt. Nays: None. Motion carried.

Motion by Sherman, seconded by Schmitt that the meeting adjourn at 6:31pm. On call of roll: Sherman, Schmitt, Scherbring, Poynor, Bradley. Nays: None. Motion carried.

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Connie Behnken, Mayor

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Erin Learn, City Clerk