

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
OF THE CITY OF PAOLA, KANSAS  
PAOLA JUSTICE CENTER 805 N PEARL  
5:30 O’CLOCK P.M.  
December 14, 2021**

The Governing Body of the City of Paola, Kansas, met with Mayor Stuteville presiding.

**Council Members present:** Mayor Artie Stuteville and Council Members Dave Smail, Trent Upshaw, Leigh House and LeAnne Shields.

**Council Members absent:** None

**Also present:** Acting City Manager Randi Shannon, City Clerk Stephanie Marler, Police Chief Eric Jenkins and City Attorney Lee Tetwiler.

**CALL TO ORDER:** The special council meeting was called to order by Mayor Stuteville.

**ROLL CALL:** Mayor Stuteville and Council Members Smail, Upshaw, House and Shields were all present.

**Agenda Item 1 – EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**a. Discuss Matters Related to Non-Elected Personnel.**

Council Member House made a motion to recess into Executive Session for 30 minutes to discuss individual personnel matters, pursuant to K.S.A. 75-4319(b)(1), personnel matters of non-elected personnel; and shall include the Mayor, Council and City Attorney. The regular meeting shall reconvene in the Municipal Court Room at 6:30 PM.

At 6:30 PM the Council came out of Executive Session and Council Member House made a motion to reconvene the recessed meeting. The motion was seconded by Council Member Smail and all voted aye. The motion passed 4 to 0.

**Agenda Item 2 – NEW BUSINESS**

**a. Employment Matter Regarding City Manager**

Council Member Upshaw made a motion to accept Sid Flemings resignation as City Manager and authorize the mayor to sign to mutual release. The motion was seconded by Council Member House and all voted aye. The motion passed 4 to 0.

Council Member Smail made a motion to change Randi Shannon's status from Acting City Manager to Acting Interim City Manager. The motion was seconded by Council Member House and all voted aye. The motion passed 4 to 0.

### **Agenda Item 3- ADJOURNMENT**

With no additional business to come before the Council, Council Member Upshaw made a motion to adjourn. The motion was seconded by Council Member Shields and all voted aye. The motion passed 4 to 0.

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Artie Stuteville, Mayor

ATTEST: [seal]

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Stephanie Marler, City Clerk