

DUNKERTON CITY COUNCIL met in special session, **January 21, 2014**, in the City Hall Council Chambers with Mayor Ed Jessen presiding. The meeting was called to order at 7:05 p.m. Council members present: DeLong, Robinson, Fuelling, Lichty, Belmer. Absent: None. Quorum present.

Fuelling/Belmer to approve the agenda with a correction to Item #7 to read, Discussion/Action – to approve Bid Letting for Fire Truck. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Discussion was held after Mayor Jessen said that he and the Personnel Committee had met with Police Chief Schultz the previous night for an employee evaluation and that the committee came to a consensus to raise his wage to \$25.50 per hour and to give a \$1000 HSA benefit. Fuelling explained that is like a savings account toward deductibles, that it can be used into retirement, that it is pre-tax and he would receive IPERS on it as though it were income. Mayor Jessen said that it was a fair wage, that they had compared other towns in the County. Police Chief Schultz said that \$26.50 is the hourly wage for a County Patrol Officer and thought it was a little low for a Police Chief in his final two years, that he needs the IPERS to be set up for retirement. Lichty moved, DeLong seconded to pass Resolution #2014-6 approving a \$2.04 per hour wage increase for Police Chief Schultz, bringing his hourly wage to \$25.50 effective on the next pay period, and in addition to give him an HSA benefit of \$1000.00 pre-tax to help with medical expenses as soon as possible in 2014. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Resolution adopted.

Mayor Jessen said that Clerk Thompson has made a decision to change careers and no longer work as a City Clerk. Lichty/Belmer to accept and place on file Clerk Thompson's resignation letter. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Fuelling/Robinson to set a special meeting for Monday, January 27, 2014 at 7 p.m. for another budget work-session and to possibly review applicants. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Fuelling/Robinson to set March 7, 2014 at 4 p.m. as the deadline for sealed bids for a Tanker Fire Truck to be received at City Hall and to Set March 10, 2014 at the regular council meeting to open said bids. Roll call vote: Ayes-All. Motion carried.

A budget work-session ensued. The council discussed each line item with department heads and trimmed the budget in many areas.

With no further discussion, DeLong/Fuelling to adjourn at 10:45 p.m. Ayes-All. Motion carried.

Edward A. Jessen, Mayor

ATTEST: Brenda M. Thompson, CMC, City Clerk