

THE OFFICIAL PROCEEDINGS OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE GERING CITY COUNCIL, APRIL 10, 2025

A special meeting of the City Council of Gering, Nebraska was held on April 10, 2025 at 5:00 p.m. Present were Mayor Ewing and Councilmembers Shields, Gillen, Seay, Kinsey, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison. Also present were City Administrator Pat Heath and City Clerk Kathy Welfl. Notice of the meeting was given in advance by publication in the Star-Herald, the designated method of giving notice. All proceedings hereafter were taken while the meeting was open to the attendance of the public except as otherwise indicated.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Ewing called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. and stated that there was a quorum of the Council present and City business could be conducted.

1. Roll Call
2. Recital of the Pledge of Allegiance

OPEN MEETINGS ACT - NEB.REV.STAT. CHAPTER 84, ARTICLE 14

Mayor Ewing stated: As required by State Law, public bodies shall make available at least one current copy of the Open Meetings Act posted in the meeting room. Agenda items may be moved up or down on the agenda at the discretion of the Mayor. As required by State Law, additions may not be made to this agenda less than 24 hours before the beginning of the meeting unless they are considered under this section of the agenda and Council determines that the matter requires emergency action.

CURRENT BUSINESS:

1. Conduct interview of candidate for the Ward IV City Council vacancy

- James Jackson

Mayor Ewing welcomed Mr. Jackson and asked the following questions:

1. Explain your interest in serving on the City Council and explain your background and the assets you feel you would bring to the City Council.
2. Explain your involvement with volunteer organizations and other civic involvement.
3. What do you feel are critical issues for the City of Gering?
4. Do you know what the largest source of revenue is for the City?
5. What are your feelings in general about Gering? (Gering as a community not the government entity).
6. How do you feel about working with Scottsbluff and other cities and/or governmental entities?

At the conclusion, Mayor Ewing stated that a recommendation will be made by the Mayor at the regular City Council meeting on April 14th. He encouraged Mr. Jackson to attend. Mayor Ewing stated if an appointment is approved by the City Council, staff will arrange an orientation. The new Council Member will be sworn in at the April 28th regular City Council meeting after which they will be seated with the Council.

CLOSED SESSION: (Council reserves the right to enter into closed session if deemed necessary.) None.

OPEN COMMENT: Discussion or action by Council regarding unscheduled business will not take place. This section is for citizen comment only. None.

ADJOURN

Motion by Councilmember Gillen to adjourn. Second by Councilmember Morrison. There was no discussion. The Mayor called for the vote. "AYES": Shields, Gillen, Seay, Kinsey, Wiedeman, O'Neal, Morrison. "NAYS": None. Absent: None. Abstaining: None. Motion carried.

The meeting adjourned at 5:10 p.m.

ATTEST

Kathleen J. Welfl, City Clerk



Kent E. Ewing, Mayor