

**APPROVED**  
**SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING**  
**MONDAY, APRIL 18, 2016 @ 6:00 PM**  
**IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS @ CITY HALL**

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm by Mayor Roll.

Brent Teske, Brian Zimmerman, Allen Olsen, Peggy Williams and Dejon Raines were present.

The meeting was called to appoint David Tennant as the City Attorney.

Mayor Roll asked if there were any questions.

Councilperson Olsen asked Mr. Tennant why he had been avoiding the council the last three months and not answering their questions about his contract. Mr. Tennant responded that he ~~was not working under contract~~. He was working with an appointment by Mayor Roll. Mr. Tennant presented his contract when it was requested. Councilperson Olsen asked Mr. Tennant why he had taken the oath of office on February 11, 2016. Mr. Tennant responded that he could not do any of Libby's prosecutions without taking this oath.

Mayor Roll stated that Mr. Tennant was hired for a temporary position. Because of the speedy trial issues. This was only supposed to last three months until Mr. Tennant decided whether or not he wanted to accept the position full time.

Councilperson Olsen asked Mr. Tennant why he has been dodging the council; Mr. Tennant disagreed and asked Mr. Olsen to give him an example. Council President Teske stated that he has not had any problem getting in contact with Mr. Tennant. Councilperson Zimmerman agreed with Council President Teske.

Councilperson Olsen has concerns about the council getting legal advice. He would like the ~~city code of conduct~~ attorney code of conduct added to the contract. Mr. Tennant responded that he will give legal advice on appropriate legal matters. Mr. Olsen asked that the council go though the contract line by line and get rid of the grey areas.

Councilperson Raines is happy with the way the contract stands. Councilperson Williams asked about the hourly wage that the law firm charges. Mr. Tennant explained that it depends on his expertise. Right now he is only getting about 50% of his wage since there was a three month back log of work. Mr. Teske said he spoke with Chief Watson and Sergeant Short and they were both very happy with the way Mr. Tennant has handled court cases. Councilperson Zimmerman stated that city Judge Briggs is also very happy with the job that Mr. Tennant is doing.

Mr. Tennant stated that he will be happy to give the council legal advice. If he thinks something is inappropriate he will state that to the council and then they can discuss the issue at their next council meeting.

Council President Teske made a motion to accept David Tennant as the next city attorney. Councilperson Zimmerman second. The motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:21 pm

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Mayor Doug Roll

Attest; \_\_\_\_\_  
Audray J. McCollum, City Clerk-Treasurer