

## City Council Special Meeting

April 29, 2010

Council present: Council President John Kovash, Councilor Scott Burgess, Councilor Jody Carson, Councilor Teri Cummings (by phone).

Staff present: City Manager Chris Jordan.

The meeting was called to Order by Council President John Kovash at approximately 7:05.

Council President John Kovash explained the process by which the Council would conduct interviews with each of the applicants for City Council. Earlier in the day, each applicant had been provided three questions to be prepared to address. Each applicant would be asked to come to the table and respond to those three questions and any follow-up questions a councilor may have. The questions were:

1. What do you believe are the biggest challenges facing West Linn during the next few months? How about during the next 5-10 years?
2. The Council is pursuing a list of priorities, including a new police station, a possible aquatic center, enhancing our sustainability program, protecting the Stafford basin from urban development, and reviewing utility rates to ensure adequate funds are available to maintain the city's infrastructure. What are your thoughts on these priorities and what other issues would you advocate for the City pursuing during the next year or two?
3. Do you have plans to be a candidate for the Mayor position or Council in either September or November?

City Manager Chris Jordan called each of the applicants in the following order:

Curt Sommer  
Karen Hensley  
Mike Jones  
Jim Mattis  
Bob McCarthy  
Tom Neff

Following the testimony provided by each of the applicants, each member of the City Council discussed their individual criteria for selecting the new member of the City Council.

**Councilor Burgess moved to appoint Jim Mattis to the position of City Councilor. The motion was seconded by Councilor Carson.**

Following a brief discussion, City Manager Jordan called the roll.

**Ayes: Burgess, Carson, Kovash**

**Nos: Cummings**

**The motion passed 3-1.**

It was agreed that Mr. Mattis would be sworn-in on May 10. The Council thanked all the applicants for their time and their willingness to serve.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:57.