

**CITY OF JOHN DAY
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES
JOHN DAY, OREGON**

December 1st, 2023

COUCILORS PRESENT:

Heather Rookstool, Mayor
Chris Labhart, Councilor
Eric Bush, Councilor
Edwin Newby, Councilor
Ron Phillips, Councilor
Sherrie Rininger, Councilor

COUNCILORS ABSENT:

David Holland, Council President (excused)

STAFF PRESENT:

GUESTS PRESENT:

Justin Davis

Agenda Item No. 1—Call Meeting to Order

Councilor Bush made a motion to open the special meeting at 11:02 am. The motion was seconded by Councilor Newby and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 2—Roll Call and Attendance

Mayor Rookstool noted that all councilors were present besides Councilor Holland who was excused. Jeremy Green, City Attorney was also present via phone.

Agenda Item No. 3—Action Items

Councilor Labhart made a motion to proceed with litigation against Straw to Gold Incorporated. The motion was seconded by Councilor Rininger and passed unanimously.

Agenda Item No. 4—Additional Department, Council or Other Comments

Jeremy Green asked Council if there is a need to discuss the recall process, specifically the steps that would be required of Council in the event the recall is successful. He stated that in the event of a recall the Council for terms of the charter would fill the vacancy by appointment. Councilor Labhart asked if the Council President automatically assumes the position of Mayor or does the Council appoint someone. Jeremy's response was there is not an automatic assumption of the Council President to serve as Mayor. Until the appointment is made, the Council will presume have the Council President serve in that limited capacity as necessary but that official position will ultimately be assumed by Council's appointee.

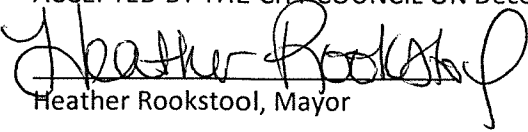
Adjourn

There being no further business before the council, Councilor Phillips made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 11:06 am. The motion was seconded by Councilor Bush and passed unanimously.

Respectfully Submitted:

Heather Rookstool
Mayor

ACCEPTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL ON December 13th, 2023


Heather Rookstool, Mayor