



MINUTES
SPECIAL MEETING OF THE ETNA CITY COUNCIL
Monday December 18, 2023

Members of the Etna City Council met on this 18th day of December, via in person and TELECONFERENCE (Zoom.) Mayor Cliff Munson called the meeting to order and lead in the flag salute to the United States of America.

1. Call to Order:

a. Roll Call

Councilmembers Jason Deppen, Mayor Cliff Munson, Charnna Gilmore, and John Stacher were present. Councilmember Brandon Fawaz was absent.

2. Public Comment on Non-Agenda Items:

None.

3. Current Business:

a. Discuss/Approve New Vehicles to be Purchased for the Etna Police Department.

Police Chief Josh Short explained to the Council that there is an opportunity to purchase two new Chevy Silverado trucks that are outfitted. Councilmember Deppen asked how the vehicles will be purchased. City Clerk Pamela Eastlick explained that there is \$180,000 in COPS and the purchase of the vehicles will be split between Fort Jones, PAL, COPS, and Law Enforcement funds. Eastlick also mentioned that there is an option to lease the vehicles with a finance charge. Chief Short was quoted approximately \$50,000 for each vehicle. The two used vehicles will be for the two new officers that will be hired. Chief Short is recommending purchasing two used vehicles and one new vehicle. Mayor Munson commented on the fuel bill being high. Discussion on key fobs being used incorrectly. Eastlick clarified that the purchase will be for two used vehicles and the third new vehicle will be leased.

Councilmember Deppen made a motion to acquire all three vehicles and the Chief of Police and City Clerk use their best judgement for financing them. Councilmember Stacher seconded and the motion passed.

Ayes: Stacher, Gilmore, Munson, Deppen

4. CORRESPONDENCE:

None.

5. CITY COUNCIL STATEMENTS AND REQUESTS:

Clerk Eastlick mentioned that the new City Attorney is planning to visit, and she will let the department heads know when that will be.

Councilmember Deppen requested that all vehicles have the Etna PD shield on them.

Councilmember Stacher requested a list of all vehicles that are not in use. Stacher asked about Detective Mendes's truck.

6. Adjournment

There being no further business Mayor Munson adjourned the meeting at 5:45 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Jenny Bennett
Asst. City Clerk