

Barnesville City Council

Special Meeting

December 21, 2022

Mayor Rick called this special meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Member's present were Council members Tonya Stokka, Don Goedke, Scott Bauer, Alyssa Bergman Dawn Stuvland, and Brad Field. Others in attendance were Interim City Administrator John Chattin, City Clerk Jeri Reep, TEC Manager Guy Swenson, Liquor Store Manager Randi Trowbridge, Water Technician Travis Braton, and Gary Weiers with David Drown Associates, by zoom.

Mayor Rick stated that there were three candidates to interview for the City Administrator position. The first candidate was with Mr. Joe Rotz. This interview was a remote interview.

Interim City Administrator John Chattin next asked the interview questions with Mr. Rotz.

The interview with Mr. Joe Rotz ended at 6:10 p.m.

The next interview was with Mr. Jeremy Cossette at 6:11 p.m. Interim City Administrator John Chattin asked the interview questions with Mr. Cossette. The interview with Mr. Cossette ended at 6:42 p.m.

The next interview was with Mr. Jason Lutz at 6:45 p.m.

Interim City Administrator John Chattin asked the interview questions with Mr. Lutz. The interview with Mr. Lutz ended at 7:20 p.m.

Mayor Rick next asked council members for their input on the candidates.

Mr. Gary Weiers with David Drown Associates asked council members if they needed any additional information or would like to hold a second interview with any of the candidates.

Council members agreed their top candidate was Jeremy Cossette, and would like to make an employment agreement with him. Council members discussed the salary and benefits. Council members agreed on a salary of \$110,000.00, with a \$5,000.00 increase after one year. The city will agree to consider an increase in compensation to the employee dependent upon the results of the annual performance evaluation thereafter.

12-21-22-01 Motion by Mr. Field and second by Mrs. Stokka to offer the City Administrator position to Mr. Jeremy Cossette, with a annual salary of \$110,000.00, with a \$5,000.00 increase after one year, dependent on the performance review. Mr. Cossette will be granted five days of vacation leave, and will earn vacation time as an employee completed 10 years of employment with the city. Mr. Cossette will be granted five days of sick leave. Motion carried.

Mayor Rick adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Submitted by:

Attest:

Jeri Reep, City Clerk

Jason Rick, Mayor