
City of Grand Island



**Friday, August 3, 2012
Special Meeting Packet**

City Council:

Larry Carney
Linna Dee Donaldson
Scott Dugan
Vaughn Minton
John Gericke
Peg Gilbert
Chuck Haase
Mitchell Nickerson
Bob Niemann
Kirk Ramsey

Mayor:

Jay Vavricek

City Administrator:

Mary Lou Brown

City Clerk:

RaNae Edwards

**4:00 PM
Council Chambers - City Hall
100 East 1st Street**

Call to Order

This is an open meeting of the Grand Island City Council. The City of Grand Island abides by the Open Meetings Act in conducting business. A copy of the Open Meetings Act is displayed in the back of this room as required by state law.

The City Council may vote to go into Closed Session on any agenda item as allowed by state law.

Invocation

Pledge of Allegiance

Roll Call

A - SUBMITTAL OF REQUESTS FOR FUTURE ITEMS

Individuals who have appropriate items for City Council consideration should complete the Request for Future Agenda Items form located at the Information Booth. If the issue can be handled administratively without Council action, notification will be provided. If the item is scheduled for a meeting or study session, notification of the date will be given.

B - RESERVE TIME TO SPEAK ON AGENDA ITEMS

This is an opportunity for individuals wishing to provide input on any of tonight's agenda items to reserve time to speak. Please come forward, state your name and address, and the Agenda topic on which you will be speaking.



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Item -1

Approving Censure Document Regarding Mayor Jay Vavricek

Staff Contact: Council President Peg Gilbert

Request for Special Meeting of the Grand Island City Council

Dated: July 31, 2012

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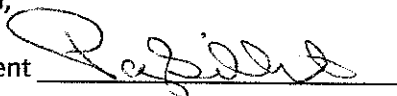
Special meetings may be called by the mayor or any four council members, upon twenty-four hours written notice to every member of the council; provided, that the requirement of notice shall not be binding in any special meeting at which all members of the council are present without objection. Such notices may be served by any member of the police department or any other person in the City, and it shall be the duty of the city clerk when given such notices to serve the same or cause the same to be served immediately.

I would like to request a special meeting be held on Friday, August 3, 2012 at 4:00PM in the City Council Chambers.

The agenda item is approval of the attached censure document.

Respectfully Submitted,

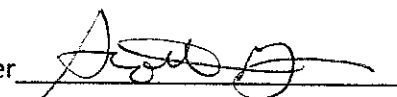
1. Council President



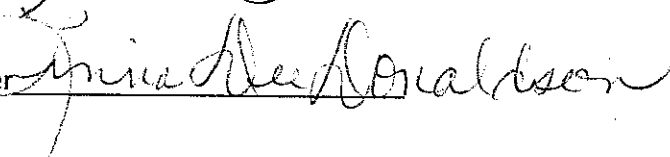
2. Councilmember



3. Council member



4. Council member



The City Council of Grand Island hereby censures Mayor Jay Vavricek for ignoring the assemblies will and substituting his own. This motion is based on the actions related to the resignation of the City Administrator, announcing an interim and then reinstating the previous City Administrator into an active role in the governing of the city. The City Council member's advice was solicited by the Mayor on the interim appointment and reinstatement of the previous City Administrator. The Mayor chose to ignore the consultative advice and proceed in an opposing direction.

The result of this action, the Council believes, has led to administrative disorganization of the city. The Council's concern is this action is detrimental to the functioning of the operations of the city and its employees, provides a security risk of its systems, and diminishes the public confidence in the elected leadership.

We acknowledge according to City Code and legal advice the council cannot unilaterally alter the above decision. However, this document is meant to serve as an official reprimand, aimed at asking the Mayor to reconsider this action. In addition, the council calls upon Mayor Vavricek to work as a team with the City Council, to unify the Administrative leadership role, and ultimately restore public confidence.

The council pledges to work actively and collaboratively to restore clear, effective, and respectful communication with the Mayor. The council will be vigilant in assuring that issues for the citizens of Grand Island are managed with clarity, efficiency and integrity.

Attachment to Request for Special Meeting Document Dated July 31, 2012