

**MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL MEETING OF THE
AMES CONFERENCE BOARD**

AMES, IOWA

MAY 13, 2021

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The Special Meeting of the Ames Conference Board was called to order by Chairman John Haila at 5:00 p.m. on May 13, 2021. Present from the Ames City Council were Bronwyn Beatty-Hansen, Gloria Betcher, Amber Corrieri, Tim Gartin, Rachel Junck, and David Martin. Linda Murken, Lisa Heddens, and Latifah Faisal represented the Story County Board of Supervisors. Other members in attendance were: Leanne Harter, Nevada Community School Board of Directors. Ames School Board, Gilbert School Board, and United Community School Board were not represented.

Mayor Haila stated that it was impractical to hold an in-person Council meeting due to the COVID-19 pandemic. Therefore, this meeting was being held as an electronic meeting as allowed by Section 21.8 of the *Iowa Code*. The Mayor then provided how the public could participate in the meeting via internet or by phone.

CLOSED SESSION: Mayor Haila asked City Attorney Mark Lambert if there was a legal reason to go into Closed Session. Mr. Lambert replied in the affirmative, citing Sections 21.5(1)(i) and 21.9, *Code of Iowa*, to discuss candidates for the position of City Assessor.

Moved by Gartin, seconded by Murken, to hold a Closed Session, as provided by Sections 21.5(1)(i) and 21.9, *Code of Iowa*, to discuss candidates for the position of City Assessor.

Vote on Motion: 3-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

Moved into Closed Session at 5:04 p.m. and reconvened in Regular Session at 5:25 p.m.

Moved by Gartin, seconded by Murken, to appoint Brenda Nelson to the position of City Assessor with an annual salary of \$130,000 and contingent upon confirmation of the Iowa Department of Revenue acceptance and satisfactory background and reference checks.

Vote on Motion: 3-0. Motion declared carried unanimously.

ADJOURNMENT: Moved by Murken to adjourn the Ames Conference Board meeting at 5:27 p.m.

Amy L. Colwell, Deputy City Clerk

John A. Haila, Mayor

Diane R. Voss, City Clerk