# MINUTES OF SPECIAL CITY COUNCIL MEETING LORIS CITY HALL – COUNCIL CHAMBERS MONDAY, AUGUST 25, 2025 - 6:30 P.M.

PRESENT:

MAYOR

MICHAEL E. SUGGS

COUNCIL

ANDREA L. COLEMAN

JOAN S. GAUSE **KELLI D. GERALD** 

CARROLL D. PADGETT, JR.

TONYA F. SYKES

ABSENT:

COUNCIL

LEWIS C. HARDEE, JR.

PRESENT:

NTERIM ADMINISTRATOR ANGEL NEIGHBOURS

ABSENT:

ATTORNEY

JOHN C. ZILINSKY

### **CALL TO ORDER:**

The special city council meeting was called to order by Mayor Suggs at 6:30 P.M. on Monday, August 25, 2025. Councilman Hardee was unable to attend the special meeting due to an employment obligation. Attorney John Zilinsky was unable to attend due to illness.

## **INVOCATION:**

The invocation was given by Councilwoman Gause.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Suggs.

### **ROLL CALL:**

The roll was called by Planning and Zoning Director Meredith Holmes.

# **BUSINESS:**

August 25, 2025 Minutes of Special Council Meeting

#### A. DISCUSSION AND APPOINTMENT OF CITY CLERK

Mayor Suggs stated that the applications and resumes of submitted by several individuals for the City Clerk position had been received by interim city administrator Angel Neighbours and reviewed by the personnel and finance committee. Interviews of applicants had been conducted by the committee and council was now ready to appoint a city clerk.

A motion was then made by Councilwoman Gerald and seconded by Councilwoman Gause to appoint Melinda Price as city clerk for the City of Loris. Mayor Suggs and all members voted favorably, except Councilman Hardee who was absent. Motion passed.

Mayor Suggs stated that Mrs. Price was well known in the community and recently retired from Truist Bank after 19 years of employment.

### C. PUBLIC COMMENT

No members of the public present at the meeting offered comments.

### D. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Suggs indicated that there were no items for executive session.

#### E. ADJOURNMENT

There being no further business, a motion was made by Councilwoman Gause and seconded by Councilwoman Coleman to adjourn. Mayor Suggs and all members present voted favorably. There being no further business, the special council meeting was adjourned at 6:35 P.M.

ATTEST:

ANGEL NEIGHBOURS

INTERIM CITY ADMINISTRATOR

MICHAEL E. SUGGS, MAYOR

ANDREA L. COLEMAN, COUNCIL

JOAN S. GAUSE, COUNCIL

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