

Hiawatha mayor presides over final meeting

■ Hiawatha Mayor Dr. Steffen Shamburg was joined by his three children ( L-R), Ryan, Sammie and Aly, following his last city commission meeting Monday evening.

**(KNZA)--Hiawatha Mayor Dr. Steffen Shamburg presided over his final city commission meeting Monday evening.**

**At the end of the meeting, Shamburg tendered his resignation which the Commission is to act on at the beginning of their next meeting July 2nd.**

**Shamburg steps down after 13 years on the Commission--including as mayor since May 2015.**

**The longtime Hiawatha doctor is relocating to Wabaunsee County and plans to start a new family practice in the Manhattan area.**

**Shamburg say he hopes the Commission stays progressive. He said its been a pleasure to have served on the Commission.**

**Longtime Commissioner Bill Collins is expected to be appointed to serve the remainder of Shamburg's term, which expires in January. That was to have happened at Monday's meeting but was delayed until the July 2nd meeting due to the absence of two commissioners.**

**Shamburg says David Middendorf has agreed to fill the remainder of Collins term as finance commissioner, which also expires in January.**

**Both positions are up for election in November. Collins is running unopposed for mayor. Matthew Haws and John Merchant Jr. are vying for finance commissioner.**

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