

Commission further discusses new commissioner appt

(KNZA)--The Hiawatha City Commission will hold a special meeting next month to select a person to fill a upcoming vacancy on the commission.

The Commission Tuesday evening further discussed plans for filling the vacancy that will be created with Commissioner Becky Shamburg is sworn in as mayor January 9.

Shamburg expressed concern that installing a new member during the regular January 9 meeting would place an unfair burden on a new commissioner to vote on items they are not up to speed on.

Commissioners agreed it would be best to hold a special meeting. City Attorney Andy Delaney will verify available dates. Delaney said the commission has ten days after the vacancy is created to appointment someone.

Commissioners also agreed to send 2-3 questions to those interested in filling the vacancy for a written response prior to the special meeting to help them in the selection process.

Those interested in filling the seat are asked to submit a letter of interest to City Hall before 5 p.m on January 3rd.

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