

New Hiawatha mayor presides over first meeting

**(KNZA)--New Hiawatha Mayor Becky Shamburg presided over her first city commission meeting Monday evening after being sworn-in earlier in the day.**

**It also marked the first meeting for new City Administrator Becky Burger and the last meeting for Interim City Administrator Larry Paine.**

**Burger was hired in November to replace former city administrator Mike Nichols, who resigned in April of last year. Paine has been serving as interim City Administrator since that time. Shamburg, along with Commissioners David Middendorf and Brian Shefferd, thanked Paine for his service to the city.**

**Commissioners decided to hold a special meeting Thursday evening, January 19 at 5:35 to appoint someone to fill the remainder of Shamburg's term as Commissioner of Streets and Parks. Those candidates who have expressed an interest in filling the position will be invited to appear before the commission. The individual selected will serve a term expiring in January 2025.**

**Besides Shamburg, also sworn-in Monday was Commissioner Middendorf. He won election in November to the position of Commissioner of Finance, which he was appointed to in December 2019.**

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