

AGENDA ACTION FORM

Declaration by the Mayor of a Vacancy on the Board of Education and Consideration of the Appointment of an Individual to the Board of Education to Serve Until August 31, 2024

To: Board of Mayor and Aldermen

From: Chris McCartt, City Manager

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Recommendation:

Declaration by the mayor of a vacancy and consideration of an appointment.

Executive Summary:

Article XIX, section 2 of the Kingsport City Charter provides that vacancies on the board of education will be filled by election of the board of mayor and aldermen. Pursuant to the Charter of the City of Kingsport an appointee will serve until July 1, following the next city election. However, with the adoption of Ordinance No. 6984 changing the date of city elections the appointee will serve until August 31st of the next city election.

Jim Welch, whose term expires on August 31, 2024, has tendered his resignation from the board of education effective June 30, 2023.

Accordingly, the mayor should declare the office held by school board member Jim Welch vacant effective June 30, 2023, so that it can be filled by the board of mayor and aldermen. The appointment can be made by the adoption of a motion, properly seconded, by roll call vote. Mayor Shull recommends Mr. Tim Dean to fill the seat which will be vacated by Mr. Welch.

The board can choose any method it deems appropriate to determine who to appoint. The only criterion that must be followed is that the individual must be eligible to hold office. This means the individual must be a legal resident of the city for at least one year or within any area annexed in a year preceding an election, 18 years of age or older and not an employee of the city or city school system.

For your convenience a copy of Article XIX, section 2 of the Charter of the City of Kingsport as well as Ordinance No. 6894 is attached.

Attachments: 1. Tim Dean Bio 2. Article XIX, section 2 Charter of the City of Kingsport 3. Ordinance No. 6984

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