

**CITY OF HIGHLAND, KANSAS  
SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY HALL  
August 16, 2018  
5:00 P.M.**

**COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:** Charles Batchelder, Jesse Marriott, Matt Peterson, and Rocky Ruhnke

**COUNCIL MEMBER ABSENT:** Dana Clary

**CITY EMPLOYEES PRESENT:** City Attorney Ted Collins and City Clerk Joann Karn

**GUESTS PRESENT:** Terry Gibson and Dennis Lentz

Matt Peterson called the special meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

Attorney Collins began discussion stating Mayor Jerry Twombly resigned due to moving out of the city limits and the council president, Peterson, had also resigned from such position, declining to accept the mayoral position. Attorney Collins continued to explain the legal procedure of filling the Mayor's position if no one on the council was interested in that position. If a councilperson is interested, the normal procedure will be followed. Discussion followed.

Rocky Ruhnke moved and Jesse Marriott seconded a motion to elect Charles Batchelder as council president. Motion carried 3-0-1, with Batchelder abstaining.

Due to the vacant Mayor's position, Charles Batchelder, council president, shall become mayor, upon being sworn in, until the next regular election and a vacancy shall occur in the office of the council member becoming mayor. It was suggested that such position be filled at the September council meeting, with notice to the public.

Rocky Ruhnke moved and Jesse Marriott seconded a motion to elect Matt Peterson as council president. Motion carried 3-0-1, with Peterson abstaining.

Rocky Ruhnke moved and Jesse Marriott seconded a motion to adjourn at 5:14 p.m. Motion carried 4-0

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Mayor

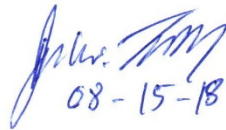
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City Clerk

Rec. 8-15-18  
2:55 pm

Effective 08-15-18 I resign from mayor of Highland, Kansas. My family and I are moving out of city limits.

It's been a honor to serve the Highland city government since being first elected in 2009.

  
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To whom it may concern

I am the currently acting president of the Highland city council. I am informed that Mayor Twombly is moving from Highland and, as such, will be resigning as mayor.

I do not wish to accept the position of mayor. Accordingly, I hereby submit my resignation as president of the council, and refuse to accept the position of mayor, effective with the resignation of Mayor Twombly. I wish to retain my position of Highland city councilperson at this time.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Matthew R. Peterson". The signature is fluid and cursive, with a long horizontal stroke extending to the right.

Matthew R. Peterson  
Highland city council