

**January 8, 2019 Minutes
Special Study Session
City Council Meeting**

CALL TO ORDER:

At 5:30 p.m., the meeting was called to order.

ROLL CALL: Mayor: NEAL
Mayor Pro Tem: BILLINGSLEY
Council Members: BROWN, LYONS
Absent: BLAIR

City Staff and contract employees present: City Manager Olson; City Attorney Van Bindsbergen; City Clerk Venegas.

5:30 pm STUDY SESSION

SS-1 Conduct of Meetings and Expectations

Mayor Neal requested this item. Mayor Neal reiterated that Rosenberg's Rules was adopted with the Lemoore City Council Rules of Procedure in April 2018, Resolution 2018-17.

Council Member Brown requested the item be tabled, if changes to the current routine are to be made, as all Council Members are not present. Mayor Neal clarified that no changes would be made to the current routine. Council Member Brown pulled his request to table.

Tom Reed suggested the Council Report and Requests be limited to 3-5 minutes as that is not the time for discussion. There is no reason for interruptions between Council Members. Also, the Mayor has the gavel and should use it if someone is out of order. City Attorney Van Bindsbergen stated a time limit could be too restrictive.

Mayor Neal requested Council Member review specific chapters of the Lemoore City Council Rules of Procedure. All previous Council Members received at the meeting it was approved and new Council Members received it in December 2018.

Kristen Cursio asked what are the consequences if do not abide by the rules. Mayor Neal stated unable to remove a Council Member.

Mayor Neal requested Council Members raise their hand in order to Obtain the Floor. A consensus was not received.

Council Member Brown recommended a Council Retreat with staff and Council. Consensus was received for staff to schedule a Council Retreat.

Mayor Pro Tem Billingsley asked if there were consequences to not following own procedures. City Attorney Van Bindsbergen stated the options were public or private admonishment, censure or forewarn which typically involved breaking the law. There are other legal actions that must be individually evaluated.

CLOSED SESSION

There was no Closed Session.

ADJOURNMENT

At 6:28 p.m., the meeting adjourned.

Approved the 15th day of January 2019.

APPROVED:

Edward Neal
Mayor

ATTEST:

Mary J. Venegas
City Clerk