

Special Meeting  
November 17<sup>th</sup>, 2015

1. **CALL TO ORDER:** The Special Meeting of the Sidney City Council was called to order by Mayor Rick Norby at 5:30 pm.
2. **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:** The Pledge of Allegiance was stated by all present.
3. **ALDERMEN PRESENT:** Sergeant, Gilbert, Koffler, Gartner, Smith and Christensen
4. **City Attorney Duties, Coverages, and Scope of Work:** City Attorney Krautter stated that he wanted to go over the scope and duties of his work as the City Attorney as he was recommended to do. He provided documents for the Council outlining the duties that Netzer Law Firm had been hired to do and the rules of such, such as who the City Attorney represents, City Attorney/Client confidentiality as it pertains to a local government. An ABA Handout, as provided at the Montana League of City and Towns was also provided by City Attorney Krautter, which outlined private practitioner's representing a municipality and civil cases against the municipality.

Alderwoman Gilbert asked if City Attorney Krautter would provide an outline for his legal opinions including statutory laws explaining where he came to his legal opinion, and he replied that when applicable he would. Alderwoman Gilbert asked if he references a case number if the Council would be able to look up the case numbers referenced in his legal opinions, and City Attorney Krautter stated that some they may not have access to themselves, but that he would provide the cases when needed, but that they can get lengthy.

City Attorney Krautter also stated that there may be instances that he will not be able to give his legal opinion on without looking further into. Alderman Smith asked that he also provide guidance for the Council and City procedures to make sure it is being done correctly and legally.

Meeting was adjourned at 5:46 pm

ATTEST:

  
CITY CLERK

  
MAYOR NORBY

January 4<sup>th</sup> 2016  
DATE SIGNED