

**STAFF SUMMARY
CITY OF MINNETONKA
SPECIAL STUDY SESSION
MONDAY, JULY 14, 2003
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Council Present: Brad Wiersum, Terry Schneider, Al Thomas, Jan Callison, Dick Allendorf, Ken Tauer, and Karen Anderson

Excused: None

Staff Present: Geralyn Barone, Kathy Magrew, Joy Rikala

Mayor Anderson called the special meeting to order at 6:12 p.m.

1. Interviews for Advisory Boards

Mayor Anderson welcomed the boards and commissions applicants to be interviewed. The council interviewed the following applicants for city boards or commissions:

John "Phil" Riley, who was interested in the Senior Advisory Board. Riley applied at the suggestion of a friend. He is retired and participates in a number of senior programs, including woodcarving, TaiChi, and Yoga. He thought it was time to start giving back to the senior center because he participates in so many programs. He volunteers for other programs, such as prisons, ICA and Dinner at Your Door.

Anderson thanked him for his service to the community.

Tauer asked Riley about volunteer services to the prison. Riley said that through his AA experience, he talks to prisoners.

As a user of the facility, Wiersum asked Riley if anything was missing from their programs. Riley said that he is very active and likes to be outdoors. He would like to see some more challenging programs.

Anderson advised Riley that there are currently no vacancies on the senior advisory board, but vacancy can occur during the year.

Schneider told Riley that the board would welcome his suggestions on programming.

Michael Hopp, interviewed for the Police Advisory Committee. Anderson noted that two of the student representatives will be leaving the board at the end of the summer because they have graduated. One of those students is from Minnetonka High School, where Hopp is a junior.

Hopp knows Jake Wenmark, who told him about the committee. Hopp has been a police explorer and has moved up to the rank of sergeant. He has

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met many of the staff in the police department, and has lived in Minnetonka since he was three or four. He has a good knowledge of Minnetonka and hopes to give some new ideas.

Callison noted that his name had appeared on a check run. Hopp said that he had worked on tobacco compliance checks.

Tauer said that the committee has oversight of the police department and members must have some neutrality. Hopp said that would not be a problem for him. He said that he is open-minded and can deal with both sides of an issue.

Anderson said that it would probably be October before appointments are made.

2. Adjournment

The special study session adjourned at 6:27 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Kathleen Magrew
City Clerk