

- 1) The Van Meter City Council met for a work session on Monday, August 25, 2025, at the United Methodist Church, 100 Hazel Street, Van Meter, IA 50261. Mayor Herman called the meeting to order at 6:15pm. The following council members were present upon a roll call: Joel Akers, Travis Brott, Blake Grolmus, Quin Pelz and Penny Westfall.
Staff present: City Administrator Liz Faust and Police Chief Mike Brown.
- 2) Grolmus moved, supported by Brott, to approve the agenda. On roll call, the votes were as follows: Akers – ABSENT; Akers – YES; Brott – YES; Grolmus – YES; Pelz – YES; Westfall – YES. **YES (5) NO (0) ABSTAIN (0) ABSENT (0)**
- 3) Representatives from Brick Gentry PC, Whitfield & Eddy Law and Hopkins & Huebner were in attendance to present their qualifications and approach to providing legal services to the City. Each firm was scheduled for thirty minutes of presentation time and to answer follow-up questions.
- 4) Discussion and evaluation of legal services presentations. Council members shared their comments and concerns with one another. Staff was directed to have place on the September 8, 2025, agenda an action item to select a legal firm to provide for the City’s legal needs.
- 5) Brott moved, supported by Grolmus, to adjourn. On roll call the votes were as follows Akers – YES; Brott – YES; Grolmus – YES; Pelz – YES; Westfall – YES. **YES (5) NO (0) ABSTAIN (0) ABSENT (0)** Mayor Herman adjourned the meeting at 8:35pm.

Joe Herman, Mayor

Attest:

City Administrator, Liz Faust