

**Special Meeting of the City Council
City of Rockport
1472 Military Road, Rockport, Arkansas
Tuesday, Jan. 3, 2023**

Council Member Brenda Womble called the meeting to order.

Roll Call:

Council members present: Darrell Hughes; Jimmy Shuffield, Melinda Baker, Brenda Womble

Others Present:

Shira Kelley, Chris Maher, Toby Morales

This meeting was called for the purpose of interview candidates for Rockport Police Chief

- M. Baker motion to go into executive session to interview candidates
- Hughes seconds
- Baker: Y; Hughes: Y; Womble: Y; Shuffield: Y

Council enters executive session 4:30 p.m.

Council emerges from executive session and resumes general session at 6:05 p.m.

- Hughes motion to resume regular session
- Shuffield seconds
- Hughes: Y; Shuffield: Y; Womble: Y; Baker: Y

Personnel action

- Shuffield motion to hire Toby Morales as Rockport Police Chief
- Baker seconds
- Shuffield: Y; Baker: Y; Hughes: Y; Womble: Y

- Baker motion to make position effective Jan. 4, 2023, at chief's salary of \$41,600.
- Shuffield seconds
- Baker: Y; Shuffield: Y; Womble: Y; Hughes: Y

Mayor Kevin Baker will notify the other candidate of the council's decision.

Council recalls Morales to the council room and congratulates him.

Adjournment

- Baker motion to adjourn
- Womble seconds
- Baker: Y; Womble: Y; Shuffield: Y; Hughes: Y

Attest: _____
Shira Kelley, secretary

Approved: _____
Kevin Baker, Mayor

Date: _____