

Council Workshop Avoca City Council, August 13, 2025

Mayor Tom Bruck called the meeting to order at 5:30 PM with Robert McCarthy, Diane Stamp, Drew Becker, and William Dea present. Absent: Deb Calhoon. Motion by Dea, seconded by McCarthy to approve the agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

The topic of discussion is Law Enforcement services. The City Administrator gave a presentation to the council consisting of:

- Meeting with Pottawattamie County Sheriff's Department and they would rather see us hiring our own officer.
- Options for hiring for the city:
 - Full-time officer that lives in town
 - Full-time officer that can live within 60 miles
 - Part-time officers
 - Up the contracted service with Pottawattamie County
 - Hire a Municipal officer that will work closely with Pottawattamie County Sheriff and focus will be code enforcement.

Council discussed all options. Council member Dea would like us to advertise for a full-time officer.

Discussion started to divert from the law enforcement service discussion, and the City Administrator directed the council to stay on topic.

Council Member Dea left the meeting at 6:41 PM.

The council continued to discuss law enforcement strategies.

Motion by McCarthy, seconded by Stamp to adjourn at 7:05 PM. Motion carried 3-0.

ATTEST:

Teresa M Hoepner, City Clerk