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PAMELA PEPPER APPOINTED INDIANOLA MAYOR

Indianola, Iowa – Pamela Pepper has been appointed to serve as the City of Indianola’s next Mayor. The appointment took place at the City Council’s special meeting on October 29, 2020. Pepper has lived in Indianola for 23 years with her husband Tim and sons, Doug and Mark.

“I am grateful for the opportunity to serve our community as Mayor. I am committed to making each and every citizen proud to be a part of this amazing community and am excited for the positive progress currently underway.” noted Pepper, who will immediately begin the duties of the Mayor, which are established by City and State Law.

Pepper was one of five residents to apply for the position when it became vacant after Kelly Shaw resigned on September 21, 2020.

In accordance with State Law, the City Council was required to fill the vacancy either by appointment or special election.

The earliest a special election may occur is March 9, 2021 and is estimated to cost \$10,000. The current term of Mayor ends December 31, 2021 and will be on the ballot for the November 2021 election.

Similar to what was done in 2010 following a vacancy on the City Council, an application process was established for residents interested in filling the vacancy of Mayor. The application process remained open until 5:00 p.m. on October 21, 2020 and concluded at the special City Council meeting.

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