

Fire department requests update on chief

**(KNZA)--A member of the Hiawatha Fire Department appeared before the city commission Monday evening to request an update on the status of former Fire Chief Ryan Shockley.**

**Joe Nigus inquired what the fire department could do to get Shockley re-instated.**

**Mayor Bill Collins said the commission has not held a work session to discuss the issue, so there are no updates at this time. Collins thanked Nigus for coming.**

**The Commission voted last November to terminate Shockley as fire chief. He had held the position since May 2018. No reason was given for the decision.**

**Gene Atland was appointed as interim chief.**

**In other business, the commission approved a request to seek bids for four new desktop computers. Three are for the Police Department and one for City Hall.**

**The Commission also approved a request to move the January 20 meeting to Tuesday, January 21 due to the Martin Luther King, Jr. holiday.**

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