Atchison gains new City Commissioner (KAIR)--The City of Atchison has gained a new City Commissioner. That came Monday during the Commission's regular meeting, with four applicants seeking to fill the unexpired term.

They included Dr. Robert Fast, MD, Luke Jesnowski, Jesse Greenly, and former City Commissioner Bill Murphy.

City Attorney Robert Campbell briefly served as Commission Chair during the selection process, with Commissioners making their vote through a show of hands. Gaining the role is lifetime Atchison resident Jesse Greenly, who fills the position vacated by former Commissioner Shawn Rizza earlier this month.

According to his application letter, Greenly, who is African-American, said he has a desire to be more actively involved in city government, adding that he feels "there is a great need for minority representation on the City Commission."

Following his selection, Greenly was sworn-in by Atchison City Clerk Frances Zuzolo.

Rizza was serving as Mayor at the time of his resignation, with that role also filled during Monday's meeting.

Selected to serve in that role is Dr. Allen Reavis, who was serving as Vice-Mayor.

Chosen to fill that role, following Reavis being installed as Mayor, was Commissioner Abby Bartlett.

The meeting was the first to be held at City Hall since the lifting of closures stemming from the coronavirus pandemic.

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