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## **MAYOR OBERLIE ANNOUNCES RETIREMENT**

**Mayor Chuck Oberlie announced today that three senior level management employees of the city have announced their retirement effective the end of the year.**

**Fire Chief Dave Lamb is retiring after 24 years of service with the Fire Department. Mayor Oberlie noted, "As Fire Chief, Dave Lamb has increased fire training opportunities for members of the department and for the city worker force. The department's training tower is open for use by all fire departments in the seven county state designated district.**

**Mr. Bill Phelps is retiring after serving 11 years as City Engineer. As City Engineer, he was responsible for all public construction projects. As such, he has served as an advisor to the Board of Works and as a member of the Plan Commission and Sanitary District. Mayor Oberlie said, "Mr. Phelps brought a wealth of knowledge to the Engineering Department based on his previous experience as owner of Boyd E. Phelps, Inc. He shared that knowledge with others to help others grow professionally and to help the city."**

**Finally, John Schaefer has announced that he will leave the City Controller's office after 8 ½ years of service. Mr. Schaefer will return to the private sector where he will continue his Public Accounting practice. Mayor Oberlie would like to thank John for his service to the community. "He brought 18 years of government accounting knowledge with him to the city which has enabled us to continue to provide quality services with the funds we have received."**

**Mayor Oberlie stated, "I would like to extend my appreciation to Fire Chief Dave Lamb, City Engineer Bill Phelps, and City Controller John Schaefer, for their service to the community and wish them well in their future endeavors."**