

Minutes of the Garland City Council meeting held on December 21, 2022, at 8:01 pm at the Garland City Building with the following council members present:

**Linda Bourne
Sharla Nelson
John Losee
Jeanette Atkinson
Tena Allen**

**Mayor
Council Member
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Mayor Bourne called the meeting to order. Council Member Nelson gave the invocation and Council Member Allen led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Council Member Nelson made a motion to approve the agenda. A second was made by Council Member Allen with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Bourne stated that the approval of the minutes was the next item.

Council Member Nelson made a motion to approve the minutes for the November 2, 2022 meeting. A second was made by Council Member Allen with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Bourne asked if there were any open comments from the public.

Jonathon Roberts and Darin Cutler came to plead their case. Jonathon stated they are contractors building homes in the Kiarra subdivision. They explained that they received a letter from the city stating that they could not have a final inspection done and have occupancy granted. They stated that they met with an attorney and have filed a lawsuit which he stated he is sure the council is aware of. He stated they would like to drop the suit if they could get occupancy. He feels like they are being held hostage when the dispute is really with the developer, Todd Miller. Darin Cutler reiterated what Jonathon stated.

Mayor Bourne stated under new business was a discussion and vote on the fire department officer's stipend.

Mayor Bourne stated that under the previous administration, there was an agreement that there would be an \$11,000 stipend paid and split between the officers annually. At the time there were only three officers and now the fire department has restructured and they have five officers. Fire Chief Steve Harrington asked if they could increase the total stipend to be split between the five. She stated she doesn't believe it was budgeted for. She is not saying the officers don't deserve it. Council Member Nelson stated that she would like to get a report on calls from the fire department like the council receives from the police department. A discussion ensued.

The city attorney, Steve Brooks, commented that this is why during the annual meeting training he tells us that we need to conduct public business in public.

Council Member Atkinson made a motion that we approve the stipend paying the 5,500 now and having a budget amendment get that taken care of in the spring so that we can get them half of it right now and have the budget amendment before we pay the second half of that 5,500 in the spring and that we will take it from the fire budget right now under the supplies and equipment. A second was made by Council Member Losee with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Bourne stated the next item under new business was a discussion and possible action on the adoption of the International Fire Code Appendices. Steve Brooks stated that it is rare that you would pass all the appendices when adopting the international fire code or building code. He stated the state doesn't even adopt them because a lot of it doesn't apply here. He stated it would be better to just pick and choose the ones that fit our needs. He said he thinks we only need to adopt B, C, and D. Council Member Losee stated he would like a chance to read them before we vote.

Council Member Losee made a motion that we table Ordinance, O-22-14 until we can get the appendix and more information on it. A second was made by Council Member Nelson with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Bourne stated the final item under new business was a discussion and possible action to approve a contract for building plan review and inspection services. She stated that Steve Bench is retiring in March and Tremonton City sent us a letter stating they would no longer be able to do our inspection services. She stated that they had three different applicants from the RFP the city put out. Kade stated that he, the mayor, Council Member Nelson, and Valerie reviewed the three submissions. He stated he liked the online permit portal and they seemed very personable. A discussion ensued.

Council Member Losee made a motion that we would pass the contract for building official inspectors and related services to Beacon Code Consultants. A second was made by Council Member Atkinson with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Bourne asked if there were any financial questions. There were none.

Council Member Atkinson made a motion to approve the coding for accounts payable and payroll. A second was made by Council Member Nelson with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Bourne asked if there were any requests for future agenda items. Mayor Bourne asked for the certificate to be on the next agenda. Council Member Atkinson asked to have a discount for getting the statements digitally on the agenda.

Mayor Bourne asked for a motion and a roll call vote for a closed session.

Council Member Atkinson made a motion at 9:20 pm to go into a closed session to discuss pending litigation per Utah Code 52-4-205(1) c. A second was made by Council Member Losee with the roll call vote results as follows:

Council Member Allen	Yes
Council Member Atkinson	Yes
Council Member Losee	Yes
Council Member Nelson	Yes

Mayor Bourne called the regular meeting back to order at 10:13 pm.

Council Member Atkinson made a motion to adjourn at 10:13 pm. A second was made by Council Member Losee with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.


Sharlet Anderson, Recorder