

Minutes of the Garland City Council meeting held November 9, 2016 at 8:35 pm at the Garland City Building with the following council members present:

Todd Miller	Mayor
Chuck Bingham	Council Member
Linda Bourne	Council Member
Angie Johnsen	Council Member
Josh Marble	Council Member
Tom Perry	Council Member

Mayor Miller called the meeting to order and gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Marble.

A motion to approve the agenda was made by Council Member Bourne. A second was made by Council Member Johnsen with all council members voting in favor of the motion.

A motion to approve the minutes from October 26, 2016 was made by Council Member Johnsen. A second was made by Council Member Marble with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Miller asked if there were any requests for future agenda items. There were none.

Mayor Miller stated the next item on the agenda was to vote to approve the new fire chief and the candidates are Steve Harrington and Rob Johnson. He stated it is a tough decision and he is glad he has the council here to help him with this. He stated both candidates are highly qualified, have great letters of recommendation and both have unwavering dedication to the department but they have decided the fire chief will be Rob Johnson.

A motion was made by Council Member Johnsen to approve Rob Johnson as the new fire chief. A second was made by Council Member Perry with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Miller stated the next item on the agenda was the reports of officers, boards and committees.

Fire Chief Rob Johnson reported that the officer class they are hosting will start on Tuesday and also be on Thursdays and Saturdays and go every other week for six weeks. He stated they will have six members from our department in the class. He reported so far that two or three members have signed up for winter fire school in St. George in January and right after they return a few members will be going to Alabama again for a different training. Rob also announced that Steve Harrington has passed the Advanced EMT test, the first person on the department to do so and congratulated him. He stated the fire departments Christmas Party is on December 3rd and the council is invited.

Council Member Marble announced that we should have the generator set up here at the armory by our next meeting for backup power. He reported that the water department has recently fixed three setters and have been sucking out the valve boxes. He reported that ninety to ninety five percent of the residents should now have meter pads installed. He reported the street department is getting stuff ready for winter and working on equipment.

Council Member Marble asked if there was anything from planning and zoning. Sharlet reported that the Capener house just over the railroad tracks on north main was being split into two parcel numbers and the farm land being sold which planning and zoning thought they had to approve. But, Mr. Peck and Mr. Capener found out a new law had been passed and was effective in May that made it so they do not have to get approval from the city in their situation.

Council Member Perry asked if there had been any developments with the emergency management spot and the mayor answered no. He then asked Chief Soffe if he had anything.

Chief Soffe reported that they participated in a mock disaster drill with the county at the fairgrounds last Thursday that went well. He also reported that they participated in honoring the officer from West Valley that was killed over the weekend in Willard today and he will be attending the funeral on Monday.

Council Member Johnsen had nothing to report.

Council Member Bourne asked Melanie from the library to report. Melanie reported that the library board met last Thursday and they changed the library's bylaws allowing the board to meet every other month instead of every month and so that they can electronically approve their meeting minutes. She stated that they just finished the annual report and they had over 7,000 patrons at the library during the 2015-2016 budget year which is double what they had during the 2014-2015 budget year.

Youth Council Mayor Jensen Hughes reported that they are working on the fill a truck, fill a panty project right now for which the weigh in is November 19th and in January they will start making blankets for the hospital.

Council Member Bourne stated that she thinks it would be a good thing for the city and more so the youth council should be more involved with the trunk or treat that is held at the park.

Mayor Miller also asked Council Member Bourne about the mosquito abatement seat that Fred Christensen has been filling and just expired. He asked if she wanted to do it or continue to have Fred represent the city. She stated that she didn't want to take that away from Fred where he enjoys it so much.

Council Member Bingham reported the park is closed for the winter. He also stated that basketball registration is still going on and the armory is pretty booked up for the winter. He reminded everyone that the Bar J Wrangler benefit concert is this Saturday, November 12th at 6:30 pm. He mentioned that the final little league wrestling tournament is the following Saturday.

Mayor Miller stated the next item on the agenda is the approval of the coding for accounts payable and payroll and asked if there were any questions.

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

Mayor Miller stated the only thing he has under miscellaneous is to talk about our annual holiday party. He stated he was looking at the dates of December 7 and 8 which are a Wednesday and a Thursday. He stated that he is leaning towards the 7th. Council Member Bourne asked if we could combine the party and the council meeting for December all to that one night. He stated we will have it at his barn. The council agreed and the mayor stated that we will have work session at 6:00 pm and the regular meeting at 6:15 pm which will try to keep short and then go to the party.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:54 pm by Council Member Bourne and seconded by Council Member Marble. All council members present voted in favor of the motion.


Sharlet Anderson, Recorder