

Minutes of the Garland City Council meeting held December 16, 2015 at 8:27 pm at the Garland City Building with the following council members present:

Todd Miller	Mayor
Angie Johnsen	Council Member
Kirt McKee	Council Member
Tom Perry	Council Member
John R Thompson	Council Member

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

Mayor Miller stated that we need to amend the agenda to add to accept the review of the audit and vote on a police car.

A motion was made by Council Member Johnsen to accept the review of the audit and vote on a police vehicle to add them to the agenda. A second was made by Council Member McKee with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

A motion was made by Council Member Thompson to approve the amended agenda. A second was made by Council Member Perry with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Miller asked if there were any requests for future agenda items or open comments from the public. There were none.

The first item under new business was the Audit Report from Wiggins & Co. Jodi McFall explained that there are some new things on the audit this year dealing with the retirement system. She stated that we have spent a lot of money in anticipation of the sewer plant and it will be good when we get our interim financing to pay it back. She went over a couple other pages and items. She also explained why the city should raise property taxes every year a little rather than wait until when we need a big increase.

A motion was made by Council Member McKee that we accept the audit report from Wiggins & Company. A second was made by Council Member Johnsen with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

The second item on the agenda was a vote for a new council member to fill Council Member Smoots open spot. Mayor Miller explained that he would call each council members name and they will vote for the person they want to fill the vacancy and stated the two applicants JR Thompson and Brady Allen. The vote results are as follows:

Council Member Johnsen	JR
Council Member McKee	JR
Council Member Perry	JR
Council Member Thompson	abstained

Mayor Miller congratulated JR and asked Brady if he would like to serve on the planning and zoning commission and explained how it works and what they do. Mayor Miller also thanked Brady for running.

The final item on the agenda was to approve the employee hand book. Mayor Miller asked if there were any questions and stated he would entertain a motion.

A motion was made by Council Member McKee that we approve the amended employee handbook. A second was made by Council Member Johnsen with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Miller stated the next item on the agenda was the financial report and asked if there were any questions. There were none.

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

Mayor Miller asked Police Chief Chad Soffe if he would like to go first and then we could vote on the other item we added.

Chad stated that he emailed the policy manual to them. He stated that they are being audited by BCI because they didn't have a policy for the officers on conduct for running background checks. He stated they just had to fill out a paper to clear it up. He also commented that they had the theft at TMC Place and were able to get two of the Xboxes back. Mayor Miller also asked him to explain about Code Red. Chad explained it is an app that citizens can sign up to receive messages on their cell number or email from the city and county. All land line are automatically registered. We can use it to send out boil orders for water or warn about other things that go along with emergency preparedness.

Chad also reported that the new truck was just under \$40,000 so he thinks we can do the explorer for \$35,000 with everything.

Fire Chief Rob Johnson stated they have county fire class coming up just after the first of the year and maybe an EMT class in the spring. He also stated that FEMA is offering a free training and it is a technical emergency response training for just Northern Utah and it is in Alabama. They are willing to pay for everything. It will be February 21 – 26 and there are four from our department signed up.

Council Member Thompson asked Tate from the library to report. Tate reported that there was a library board member that resigned, Ann Buttars. Santa will be at the library on Thursday for story time and went over the days the library will be closed during the holidays.

Council Member Perry stated that he went to a NIMS class and learned a ton.

Council Member McKee reminded everyone we would have free overage on water for the next couple of months so residents can let their faucets run when it is really cold to keep from freezing.

Council Member Johnsen reported that the planning and zoning commission did not meet in December but will be meeting in January.

Mayor Miller stated he would entertain a motion for the purchase of the police vehicle.

A motion was made by Council Member Perry that we approve the funds for the new police vehicle for \$35,000. A second was made by Council Member McKee with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

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

Mayor Miller commented that our meetings are going back to the second and fourth Wednesdays starting in January.

A motion to adjourn was made at 9:10 pm by Council Member Thompson and seconded by Council Member Johnsen. All council members present voted in favor of the motion.



Sharlet Anderson, Recorder