

Minutes of the Garland City Council meeting held November 4, 2015 at 8:20 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
Kenny Smoot	Council Member
John R Thompson	Council Member

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

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

Mayor Miller stated the next item on the agenda was to approve the minutes.

A motion to approve the minutes from the October 21, 2015 meeting was made by Council Member Thompson. A second was made by Council Member Johnsen 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.

Mayor Miller introduced Ordinance, O-15-05, amending 5-2A-9, the vicious dogs section of the Garland City Code. Mayor Miller explained that this came about because of House Bill 97 passed by the state which makes it so cities cannot single out dogs based on breed. He explained we are just changing the word Pitbull to vicious dogs.

A motion was made by Council Member Thompson that we vote to adopt Ordinance, O-15-05 amending 5-2A-9 vicious dogs with a second being made by Council Member McKee. The roll call vote results are as follows:

Council Member Johnsen	Yea
Council Member McKee	Yea
Council Member Perry	Yea
Council Member Smoot	Yea
Council Member Thompson	Yea

Mayor Miller stated the motion passes.

The first item under new business was to vote on the fire department utility rate and retirement benefit. Mayor Miller stated that there was nothing to vote on at this time and asked for a motion to table it.

A motion was made by Council Member Smoot that we table the fire department utility rate and retirement benefit at this time until rewritten and proposed to the council at that time. A second was made by Council Member Perry with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

The next item under new business was to vote on a tattoo license for Cassidy Snell at My Style Salon.

Cassidy Snell addressed the council and asked to be allowed to provide Garland with a successful business as a cosmetic tattoo spa. Mayor Miller asked if there were any further discussion. Council Member Smoot commented that she stated the tattoo part has carried ninety percent of the business. He stated that his father-in-law ran a salon for many years and did very well at it and made a lot of money with it. So, he knows firsthand that it can be done without tattoos. A small discussion ensued.

A motion was made by Council Member Thompson that we reject the application for a tattoo license for My Style Salon. A second was made by Council Member Perry with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Miller stated that request has been denied.

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.

Matt Cutler reported that Tyson has had a surveyor come down to get started on the collection lines. He also stated that he has been talking to a couple of different banks for interim financing and should have rates tied down soon. He also stated that they have been getting bids and looking at a couple of sewer trucks.

Council Member McKee left at this point in the meeting.

Fire Chief Rob Johnson had nothing to report.

Council Member Thompson asked the Youth Council Co-Mayor Kiarra Miller to report.

Kiarra reported that for October they started collecting food for the food pantry and will continue collecting until November 14th. She stated that they have also been painting fire hydrants and if they don't get them all done before the weather gets bad they will finish them in the spring. She also asked if the city council still wants to do the light parade. They all thought it would be good to continue so it will be on December 12th at 6 pm.

Council Member Perry stated he didn't have anything on emergency management and asked Police Chief Chad Soffe if he had anything.

Chief Soffe stated that he sent Chapter 5 out to them from the policy manual. He reported that they had taken some evidence to the county landfill to be disposed of and that he is still waiting for the topper to come in so that he can take the new truck to have the radio, lights and other things installed.

Mayor Miller reported for Council Member McKee that they cleaned out all of the water valve boxes and are winterizing at the pump house. He stated the street department is getting equipment ready for winter.

Council Member Smoot reported that the guys will be winterizing the sprinkler system at the park. He also stated that the yearend report for the mosquito abatement district should be out soon and once he has that he will share it with us.

Mayor Miller stated that tonight is supposed to be a hard freeze and that in the winter we encourage residents to leave their water on a little bit when it gets really cold to prevent the lines from freezing. He asked what months we usually do that and don't charge overages. It was discussed it is December, January and February if it is cold enough that it needs to be done. Mayor Miller asked to have a note put on the next water bill about it.

Council Member Johnsen reported that planning and zoning are meeting tomorrow.

Council Member Johnsen also asked how it would work that Josh Marble was elected last night but dropped out. Mayor Miller replied that he didn't resign in writing to the election official so he really didn't drop out and it was too late to take his name off the ballot. He said he contacted him last night and he said he would think about it.

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.

Under miscellaneous Mayor Miller reminded everyone that our next meeting will be on Tuesday, November 17th because we needed to do the election canvass.

A motion to adjourn was made at 8:50 pm by Council Member Smoot and seconded by Council Member Thompson. All council members present voted in favor of the motion.



Sharlet Anderson, Recorder