

Minutes of the Garland City Council meeting held May 4, 2022, at 8:01 pm at the Garland City Building with the following council members present:

Linda Bourne	Mayor
Sharla Nelson	Council Member
Jeanette Atkinson	Council Member
Steve Peacock*	Council Member
Donnie Howell	Council Member

Mayor Bourne called the meeting to order and stated that she wanted to thank everyone that helped with city cleanup days. Council Member Howell gave the invocation and Council Member Nelson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Bourne stated that we need to amend the agenda and strike out item 8 a, the sewer plant change order.

Council Member Nelson made a motion that we amend the agenda to remove 8 a, the vote on the sewer plant change order. A second was made by Council Member Howell with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

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

Mayor Bourne asked for a motion to approve the minutes from April 27.

A motion was made by Council Member Atkinson to approve the minutes from April 27, 2022. 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 open comments from the public. Ila Mae Van Valkenberg commented that the tree in front of the city building is horrible and thinks we should remove it. Merrilee Gardner thanked the council members for wearing their Garland City shirts.

Mayor Bourne stated that under old business was a discussion and vote on a fire truck purchase. Council Member Peacock stated that he asked Deputy Chief Andy McBride to be there and answer questions. Council Member Nelson asked where is the money going to come from. She stated that is the big question right now. They discussed financing and payment plans. They discussed using American Rescue Plan Act funds. They also discussed bonding and raising property taxes. Council Member Peacock stated that Chief Harrington was looking into a USDA grant as well.

Mayor Bourne asked about the county paying the city for the area the fire department covers outside the city limits. Andy explained that the 'Memorandum of Understanding' expired several years ago and the county fire marshal didn't renew it and gave the previous chief the runaround about it. He suggested that the city council get with the county commission and discuss it to make something happen.

Council Member Howell made a motion vote on the fire truck to order the Rosenbauer apparatus as described in the paperwork for a pumper, a Rosenbauer Commander Chassis, for \$607,399. A second was made by Council Member Atkinson with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Bourne stated the next item under older business was a discussion and vote on the city web page revamp. She stated that after our last meeting she went and discussed it with Deon and she is more than willing to get our webpage updated. She has modified the bid from \$1,940 per year to \$1,200 per year. So the overall total is \$2,400.

Council Member Atkinson made a motion that we vote on the webpage revamp and approve this new Garland City website. A second was made by Council Member Nelson with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

Mayor Bourne stated under new business was a discussion and vote to accept the tentative budgets for 2022-2023. She stated that we are going to use our current budget as a starting point for the 2022-2023 budget.

Council Member Howell made a motion to accept this tentative working budget to be looked at by each of the city council and their departments and their respective budgets for the remainder of 2022 and the fiscal year coming 2023. A second was made by Council Member Nelson with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.

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

Council Member Nelson made a motion to adjourn at 8:54 pm. A second was made by Council Member Howell with all council members present voting in favor of the motion.



Sharlet Anderson, Recorder

*Council Member Peacock in attendance via Google Meets.