**September 14, 2021 City Council Meeting**

**Prayer and the Pledge of Allegiance**

**Called to Order-** Mayor Blackburn called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM

**Roll Call**- Administrative Assistant Christal Allen called roll; Council Members Barry Kitterman, Jim Teeselink, and Aaron Poteat all present. Mayor Gary Blackburn, Administrative Assistant Christal Allen and City attorney Mike Bearden attending virtually.

Mayor Blackburn invited citizens to participate by calling the city cell phone and or LIVE comment feed.

**Guests & Visitors- NONE**

**Mayor Blackburn requested to move Planning Commission report up on the agenda, approved by Council Members**Planning Commissioner Greisen presented revised Master Street Plan Map that includes City streets and planning area. Mayor Blackburn stated the council would not vote to accept/deny the plan until the new council member has been elected and could review the plan prior to voting.

**August 2021 Minutes -Agenda Item 1**

Mayor Blackburn presented with the August 10th City Council Meeting and the August 10th Special Forum for the 1/2% Sales Tax minutes.
Council Member Kitterman moved, seconded by Council Member Teeselink, to accept as presented the August 2021 Council Meeting and the August 10th Special Forum for the 1/2% Sales Tax minutes. All in favor, motion passed.
Mayor Blackburn presented the official copy of the minutes to Christal Allen for filing.

**Mayor Blackburn requested to fill Alderman position Ward 1 Position 2 at this time, approved by Council.**
Mayor Blackburn reviewed the job description of a council member.
Council interviewed applicants, Anthony Peoples and John Rambo.
Council entered Executive Session at 6:30PM
Mayor Blackburn called the regular meeting back to order at 6:43PM
Motion made by Council Member Teeselink to elect John Rambo as Council Member for the City of Garfield, Ward 1 Position 2, seconded by Council Member Poteat. Roll being called-Council member Poteat-yea, Teeselink-yea, Kitterman-yea, motion passed
Mayor Blackburn administered the Oath of Office to John Rambo, City Council Member Ward 1 Position 2

**Committee Reports -Agenda Item 2**

Planning- Minutes- Copy of minutes presented to Council by Mayor Blackburn

Water- Reports – Mayor Blackburn presented with the water reports, stated the report shows 42% water loss but a more accurate figure to be 30.5%.
Mayor Blackburn stated no bids were received on September 2nd for the replacement project for the downtown area and would have a written proposal at the next council meeting.

Code Enforcement-No written report; Mayor Blackburn stated no report this month

Council Member Kitterman made a motion to approve Committee reports as presented, seconded by Council Member Poteat, all in favor, motion passed.

**Interview Candidates for Vacant Recorder/Treasurer position**

Mayor Blackburn stated they would not interview Mrs. Allen again.
Council Member Kitterman made motion to elect Christal Allen as Recorder/Treasurer, Council Member Teeselink seconded, roll being called, Council Member Poteat-yea, Council Member Rambo-yea, Council Member Teeselink-yea, Council Member Kitterman-yea, motion passed.
Oath of office to be taken this Thursday with Judge Scott.

**Old Business**

**Master Street Plan**- Motion made by council member Kitterman to postpone discussion until October Council Meeting, seconded by council member Poteat, all in favor, motion passed.

**NWAEDD Proposal-**Motion made by Council Member Kitterman to postpone discussion of agenda item 4 until Mayor Blackburn can get a representative from NWAEED at meeting, seconded by council member Rambo, roll called, Council Member Poteat-yea, Council Member Rambo-yea, Council Member Teeselink-yea, Council Member Kitterman-yea, motion passed.

**New Business**

**Agenda Item 5**-Tree Giveaway- City is receiving 100 trees in 7- gallon containers from Walton Family Foundation to be delivered between October 28th and 30th.
Council Member Kitterman made motion to schedule tree giveaway for October 30th, seconded by Council Member Teeselink, roll being called, Council Member Poteat-yea, Council Member Rambo-yea, Council Member Teeselink-yea, Council Member Kitterman-yea, motion passed.

**Agenda Item 6**- Authorize new Recorder/Treasurer as signatory of all city bank accounts and Certificates of Deposit
Motion made by Council Member Kitterman to authorize Christal Allen, the new Recorder/Treasurer as a signatory on all City bank accounts and Certificates of Deposit, seconded by Council Member Poteat, roll being called, all in favor, motion passed.

**Agenda Item 7-**Request for Speed Barrier on Main Street.
Mayor Blackburn presented a request by a citizen to place a speed barrier on Main Street. Council discussed. Motion made by Council Member Kitterman to test the speed bump for 30 days and bring back for further discussion after that time, seconded by Council Member Rambo, all in favor, motion passed.

**Agenda Item 8-** Review of August 2021 General, Street and Water Revenue and Expenditure
Motion made by Council Member Teeselink to accept August financials as presented, seconded by Council Member Poteat, roll being called, Council Member Poteat-yea, Council Member Rambo-yea, Council Member Teeselink-yea, Council Member Kitterman-yea, motion passed.

Mayor Blackburn presented documents to the council for the Hazard Mitigation Drainage Grant and letter from Betsy Harrell with Benton County Clerk Voter Registry regarding the upcoming October millage vote by the Council.

**Discussion of City Marshall**- Council Member Poteat asked Council Member Teeselink if his contact had gotten back with him, Council Member Teeselink stated they have not.
 **Discussion of Dog Ordinance**- Council Member Teeselink stated the public input meeting will be prior to the October Council meeting at 5:30.

Council Member Poteat moved, seconded by Council Member Teeselink to adjourn the meeting at 7:35PM, all in favor, motion passed.

**Gary Blackburn; 9/\_\_\_\_/2021 Christal Allen; 9/\_\_\_/2021**

**Approved, Mayor Gary Blackburn Attested, Recorder-Christal Allen \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_**

**Passed and approved this \_\_\_\_\_\_\_ day of \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ 2021**