

City of Garfield Council Meeting April 14, 2026

Prayer & Pledge of Allegiance

Call to Order: 6:02PM

Roll Call- Roll called by Recorder-Treasurer Christal Allen

Council Member Smead- Present

Council Member Rambo-Present

Council Member Teeselink- Present and presiding over meeting

Council Member Kitterman-Present

Mayor Blackburn-Attending via phone

Minutes City Council Meeting March 10, 2026, and Special Meeting March 31, 2026

Council Member Smead moved to approve March 10, 2026, regular meeting minutes and March 31, 2026, special meeting minutes as presented.

Second, by Council Member Rambo.

All in favor, motion carried.

Committee Reports

Planning Commission-March 24, 2026, meeting minutes were provided to the council.

Water Department-March 2026 unaccounted water loss 15.09%. March 2026 Systems Totals, Sales and Receivables and Usage and Loss reports were presented to the council.

Standpipe Project Update- The level indicator and springs were delayed but have been shipped and expected to be received any time.

PSI Contract Update- Mayor Blackburn met with PSI last week and provided clarification on project priorities. PSI is actively working on written proposals to be presented at the May 2026 council meeting.

Code Enforcement- 1 residential building permit was issued for Trenton Denief. Mayor Blackburn reported issuing a citation/30-day notice to the owner of a burned structure on highway 62.

Council Member Smead moved to approve committee reports as presented.

Second, by Council Member Rambo.

All in favor, motion carried.

Unfinished Business

ARDOT School Zone Update- Mayor Blackburn received an email from ARDOT stating that relocating the sign back to the east will be acceptable and they are currently working with supervision to complete.

Pet Vaccine Clinic June 18th

After discussion, Council member Kitterman moved to approve a pet vaccine clinic to be held at Hamilton Park June 18, 2026.

Second, by Council Member Rambo.

All in favor, motion carried.

New Business

Basketball Court Lights in Hamilton Park- The council was provided an estimate from Command-Co Electrical to add lighting to the basketball court in Hamilton Park.

PSI made a presentation of a proposed lighting project for Hamilton Park.

Items will be reviewed for consideration.

Meeting was called into executive session at 6:29PM.

Meeting was called back into order at 6:43PM.

Resolution 229 Allowing Conflict Disclosure Agreement

Recorder-Treasurer Christal Allen read proposed Resolution 229.

Council Member Kitterman moved to approve proposed Resolution 229.

Second, by Council Member Smead.

Council Member Smead-Yes, Council Member Rambo-Yes, Council Member Kitterman-Yes, Council Member Teeselink-Yes.

All in favor, motion carried.

Council Member Smead moved to approve proposed pay increase for the city Water Distribution Operator.

Second, by Council Member Rambo.

Council Member Smead-Yes, Council Member Kitterman-Yes, Council Member Rambo-Yes, Council Member Teeselink-Yes.

All in favor, motion carried.

Resolution 230 Adopting Comprehensive Safety Action Plan & Vision Zero Policy

Council Member Teeselink introduced proposed resolution.

Recorder-Treasurer Christal Allen read proposed Resolution 230.

After discussion, Council Member Kitterman moved to approved proposed Resolution 230.

Second, by Council Member Smead.

Council Member Smead-Yes, Council Member Rambo-Yes, Council Member Kitterman-Yes, Council Member Teeselink-Yes.

All in favor, motion carried.

Reconcile & Approve 1st QTR 2026 Budgets

Reconciled budgets for General, Street, Water, 1/2%Sales Tax Fund, and Tree Grant Funds were provided to the council for review.

After discussion, Council Member Smead moved to approve the reconciled budgets as presented.

Second, by Council Member Teeselink.

All in favor, motion carried.

March 2026 Financials

March 2026 Financial statements were provided to the council for review.

Council Member Smead moved to approve March 2026 financial statements as presented.

Second, by Council Member Rambo.

All in favor, motion carried.

City Clean Up will be held April 18, 2026, 8:00AM-12:00PM at the city shop.

Adjournment

Council Member Teeselink moved to adjourn.

Second, by Council Member Rambo

All in favor, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 7:00PM.

Passed and approved this 12th day of May 2026.

Gary Blackburn

Christal Allen

Approved, Mayor Gary Blackburn

Attested, Recorder-Treasurer Christal Allen

Gary Blackburn

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