

June 8th, 2021 Regular Council Meeting

Mayor Blackburn prior to opening the meeting; started with the Pledge of Allegiance, and a moment of prayer.

Mayor Blackburn called the meeting to order at: 5:58 PM.

Mayor Blackburn invited anyone who wanted to participate, but couldn't attend, to call in on the city cell to address the Council on any agenda items for the meeting.

Recorder-Treasurer Teresa Vining called roll; Council Members Barry Kitterman, Jim Teeselink, Scott Wassman present and Council Member Robert Vining attending virtually. Mayor Gary Blackburn and Recorder-Treasurer Teresa Vining present. City attorney Bearden present.

Guests & Visitors

None

May 2021 Regular and Special Council Meeting Minutes:

Mayor Blackburn presented with the Regular Council meeting minutes. Council Member Kitterman moved, seconded by Council Member Teeselink, to approve the May 2021 Regular Meeting Minutes. Roll call vote, all in favor motion passed. Mayor Blackburn presented with the Special May 18th Council Meeting Minutes. Council Member Teeselink moved, seconded by Council Member Wassman to approve the May 18th, 2021 Special Meeting Minutes. Roll call vote, all in favor motion passed.

Committee Reports as follows:

Planning Commission- No Planning Meeting for May

Water Department- Mayor Blackburn opened the monthly April Water reports for discussion.

Code Enforcement- Mayor Blackburn reported on enforcements for the month of May.

Vote of approval for Committee Reports: Council Member Teeselink moved, seconded by Council Member Kitterman to approve the Committee reports as presented, the roll being called all in favor, motion passed.

Interviews and Executive Session for an Administrative Trainee for pending Recorder-Treasurer vacancy:

Interviews and Executive session for the pending vacancy in the Recorder-Treasurers Position, to hire an Administrative Trainee, until the Recorder-Treasurer resigns. Those present for interviews, were Terri Jarding, Vell Greisen, and Gina Kingston. May Statement of Revenue and Expenses presented to all three applicants and the Council. Mayor Blackburn reviewed the reports stating there will be questions of the applicants concerning the document. Mayor Blackburn introduced the City Attorney for presenting with the legal questions that can be asked of the applicants. Mayor Blackburn discussed the interview process. Mrs. Jarding, introduced herself, and shared her interest in the position and gave a brief synopsis of her qualifications. Opened for questioning by the Council. Then, Mayor Blackburn asked questions concerning the May Statement of Revenue and Expenses. Actuals compared to the Council Members Budget. Mrs. Kingston introduced herself, and shared her interest in the position and gave a brief synopsis of her qualifications. Opened for questioning by the Council. Then, Mayor Blackburn asked questions concerning the May Statement of Revenue and Expenses. Actuals compared to the Council Members Budget. Mrs. Greisen introduced herself, and shared her interest in the position and gave a brief synopsis of her qualifications. Opened for questioning by the Council. Then, Mayor Blackburn asked

questions concerning the May Statement of Revenue and Expenses. Actuals compared to the Council's budget for the year.

Following interviews, Mayor Blackburn called the meeting into Executive session at 7:21 PM to discuss the applicants, at 7:41 PM, Mayor Blackburn called the Executive session out of session and the Regular meeting back into session. Mayor Blackburn stated that no decision was made during the executive session.

Council Member Wassman moved, seconded by Council Member Kitterman to extend the meeting until 8:30 PM. The roll being called, all in favor the motion passed.

Unfinished Business

Proposed Ordinance for a Special Election to be called on September the 14th, 2021 for a vote on the Permanent Continuation of the 1/2 % Sales Tax for Infrastructure in the City of Garfield:

Mayor Blackburn introduced the Proposed Ordinance. Council Member Kitterman moved, seconded by Council Member Wassman to read the Proposed Special Election Ordinance by Title only. The roll being called, Council Members Kitterman yay, Teeselink yay, Vining yay, Wassman yay, motion passed. Recorder-Treasurer Vining read the Proposed Ordinance calling for a Special Election by title only. Mayor Blackburn opened item for debate. Council Member Teeselink moved, seconded by Council Member Vining to suspend the rules requiring the Proposed Ordinance be read on three different days. The roll being called, Council Members Kitterman yay, Teeselink yay, Vining yay, Wassman yay, motion passed. Council Member Kitterman moved, seconded by Council Member Teeselink to approve the Proposed Ordinance as presented. The roll being called, Council Members Kitterman yay, Teeselink yay, Vining yay, Wassman yay, motion passed. Council Member Teeselink moved, seconded by Council Member Kitterman to invoke the emergency clause. The roll being called, Council Members Kitterman yay, Teeselink yay, Vining yay, Wassman yay, motion passed, effective immediately.

Proposed Ordinance for the Permanent Continuation of the ½ % Sales Tax:

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New Business

Proposed Ordinance for Excavations and Alterations:

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Proposed Ordinance for New Schedule of Fees for Water Connections:

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Review of the May, 2021 General, Street & Water Financial Stmt. Of Revenue & Expenditures:

Mayor Blackburn opened the Financial Packets for discussion. Council Member Kitterman moved, seconded by Council Member Teeselink, to accept the May Financial Packets as presented. The roll being called, Council Members Kitterman yay, Teeselink yay, Vining yay, Wassman yay, motion passed.

Other Items of Business:

Current Revenue Opportunities':

Mayor Blackburn moved the meeting into the back office of City Hall to discuss the current whiteboard items of business, that are revenue opportunities from the following; STATE-AID, FEMA, HAZARD MITIGATION, NOIA, ARPA, and the 1/2 % Sales Tax. All items are currently being worked on by the administration for the city, as well as ER ASSIST. Mayor Blackburn discussed the listed items, the processes thereof, as well as the possible revenue each will bring. Mayor Blackburn discussed further each item. Once all is complete, a packet will be prepared showing the revenue received, any match needed by the city, as well as how the funding can be utilized in the city.

Hydraulic Angle Blade:

Council Member Wassman presented with an item the city needs to purchase, that being a Hydraulic Angle Blade for the Tractor. Council Member Kitterman moved, seconded by Council Member Teeselink to approve the item for purchase. The roll being called, all in favor, motion passed.

Council Member Kitterman moved, seconded by Council Member Wassman to adjourn the meeting at 8:30 p.m., all in favor; motion passed.

Passed and approved this 13th day of July 2021

Gary Blackburn; 6/9/2021

Approved, Mayor Gary Blackburn

Gary Blackburn

Teresa D. Vining; 6/9/2021

Attested, Recorder-Treasurer Teresa Vining

Teresa D. Vining