

**CITY OF GIRARD**  
**AGENDA**  
**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**May 5, 2025**  
**5:00 PM**  
*A Great Place to Call Home...*

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**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

Mayor Mickey Pyle called the meeting to order.

**ROLL CALL**

Present:

Lanessa Arthur, 1<sup>st</sup> Ward  
Lucas Stansbury, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward  
Dennis Everett, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward  
Darrell Westhoff, 4<sup>th</sup> Ward

Also Present:

Steve Angermayer, City Attorney  
Johanna O'Brien, City Administrator  
Heather Ryan, Deputy City Clerk

**INVOCATION**

Invocation was given by Mickey Pyle

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

- Motion was made by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Lucas Stansbury, to accept the agenda as presented omitting letter W in the consent agenda, motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Approval of Appropriations Ordinance 2025-09 \$266,702.98
  - Purchases over \$10,000.00BCBS (Insurance) \$27,178.80  
PWWSD#11 (Gallons Water Purchased) \$23,202.40  
Earls Engineering (Sidewalk Post Design) \$22,357.63  
KMEA/GRDA (Operating Account) \$80,357.00  
Reinders (Chemicals, Fertilizer.Seed) \$11,242.80  
T & R Electric (KVA Transformer) \$10,020.55  
Stella-Jones (Poles) \$18,008.98
- B. Approve council minutes of April 21 2025.
- C. Hire Joshua Brumback as full-time Police Officer I at \$20.71 with a \$0.50 raise and promotion to Police Officer II after 6 months and a positive supervisor evaluation contingent on successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- D. Hire Augi Mooneyham as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- E. Hire Megan Bennett as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork

- F. Hire Aydin Sisney as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- G. Hire Boston Encarnacion as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- H. Hire Brook Stafford as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- I. Hire Emily Ferguson as a part-time seasonal head lifeguard at \$9.50/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- J. Hire Harrison Burke as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- K. Hire Jeriah Adolph as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- L. Hire Kade Woodard as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- M. Hire Rachel Bennet as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- N. Hire Kali Powell as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- O. Hire Karson O’Rand as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- P. Hire Lynsey Bryant as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- Q. Hire Kaelinn Adolph as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- R. Hire Delanie Robelyr as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- S. Hire Conner Hudson as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- T. Hire Natalia Onelio as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- U. Hire Lauren Murphy as a part-time seasonal lifeguard at \$9.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- V. Accept the resignation of Seirra Roberts effective May 11, 2025
- W. Hire Dakota Lubinski as full-time Public Works Laborer at \$16.34/hour (currently part-time)
- X. Hire Jim Leonard as part-time Clubhouse Attendant at \$12.00/hour contingent on successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- Y. Hire Nykia Boyd as Police Officer I at \$17.44/hour contingent on successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- Z. Hire John Altman as a part-time seasonal cemetery maintenance worker at \$15.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- AA. Hire Quintin McMurry as a part-time seasonal cemetery maintenance worker at \$15.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- BB. Approve Trace Buckle as part-time Police Officer at \$20.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork
- CC. Approve a merit raise for Will Eddington of \$1.00/hour for successful completion of Year 1 of Merchant’s course effective May 1, 2025
  - Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff, to accept the consent agenda as presented omitting letter W, motion carried.

## **PUBLIC FORUM**

- Kourtney Anthony spoke on topics regarding the public safety sales tax, how raises are given, made several inquiries regarding the police department, micromanaging, timeline on the roads getting repaired, sidewalk from forest to the square, golf course, noise ordinance, crosswalks on the square, lack of transparency, and inquire about possibly changing meeting times.

## **REGULAR BUSINESS**

- A. Isabel Gabehart to discuss potential Eagle Scout project
- Install disability-friendly musical playground equipment at the local park.
  - It will be beneficial to children's developmental and creative skills.
  - Base price is approximately \$46,000 and has already identified several grants
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Dennis Everett to approve Isabel Gabehart to pursue her eagle scout project and get help with grants under the City of Girard's name, motion carried.
- B. Executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss employee discipline, hiring and resignation
- a. Recommend a 20-minute session to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Public Works Director
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to go into executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss employee discipline, hiring and resignation to include Mayor, City Attorney, City Administrator and Public Works Director for no longer than 20 minutes, motion carried.
  - Mayor Mickey Pyle brought the meeting back to regular session.
  - Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to go into executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss employee, hiring and resignation to include Mayor, City Attorney, City Administrator and Jesse Snider on call for no longer than 15 minutes, motion carried.
  - Mayor Mickey Pyle brought the meeting back to regular session.
  - Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to hire Jesse Snider as police chief at \$26.54 per hour to begin May 12<sup>th</sup>, motion carried.
- C. Consider surplus equipment ordinance
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Dennis Everett to adopt ordinance 1391 surplus equipment as presented, motion carried
- D. Fireworks
- Review current fireworks ordinance
  - Possibly extending the days for sale and discharge
  - Doing permits for special events through our fire department
- E. Consider purchase for golf course utilizing reserve funds
- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to purchase the Jacobson 3400 fairway/reel mower for \$16,500 through the reserve funds, motion carried.
- F. Consider Mission Construction quote for the box culvert and road replacement quote
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to accept the quote for the box culvert and road replacement in the amount of \$21,423.60, motion carried.
- G. Resolution 2025-09: 601 E Forest Ave
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Everett to approve resolution 2025-09, motion carried.
- H. Resolution 2025-10: 411 S Cherokee St

- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to approve resolution 2025-10, motion carried.
- I. Resolution 2025-11: 700 N Summit St
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve resolution 2025-11, motion carried.
- J. Resolution 2025-12: 304 W Buffalo St
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to approve resolution 2025-12, motion carried.
- K. Resolution 2025-13: 309 W Buffalo St
- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve resolution 2025-13, motion carried.
- L. Resolution 2025-14 Confirming Financial Authorization and No Interconnection Agreement is Required for the Solar Facility
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve resolution 2025-14 confirming financial authorization and no interconnection agreement. The roll call vote was as follows, Lanessa Arthur-Yes, Lucas Stansbury-Yes, Dennis Everett- Yes, Darrell Westhoff- Yes, Micky Pyle- Yes, motion carried.
- M. Consider approval & recommendations of April 22<sup>nd</sup>, 2025, golf committee minutes
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to approve the April 22<sup>nd</sup> minutes as presented, motion carried.

#### **GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS**

Council Member Lanessa Arthur- Have been watching and listening to what everyone has put on Facebook, want to make sure our community is safe and protect our citizens. Use amenities and shop locally.

Council Member Lucas Stansbury- Eco's what Lanessa says. The social media post, when negative and hateful does not help the discussion in any way. Commend citizens for using their 1<sup>st</sup> amendment rights but if you are going to do it online maybe step back and ask yourself if you would do this face to face or in the presents of others within the same room. Do one to others as you would have them do to you. Regards to the public safety, myself, council and city administration have worked over the last few years to improve police/fire, our electric department having our own power plant, golf course, swimming pool, skate park, library, disc golf course, public access weight facility. Secondly, with the half cent sales tax and how it's utilized, the influx in prices on items has gone up tremendously. To end on, as the person who spoke during public forum regarding the amenities in our city, cutting something because you think it's going to save money will not fix the problem long term. Look at the approach as a bird eye approach, just because you may not use the facilities, that doesn't mean they are not being utilized. Appreciates Kourtney coming and speaking as he believes these types of discussions are what the city needs. Be careful with the slippery slope, because if you start cutting things you will be cutting the things that make Girard great.

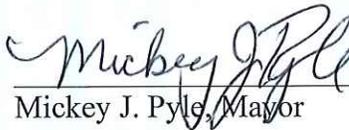
Council Member Dennis Everett – Eco's what Darrell says, just be patient on the road conditions around town. Have had a couple of complaints regarding alley way behind post office exiting onto Walnut if it could possibly get moved up the list to get taken care of. The pavement is collapsing on Orange and Ozark and trying not to wait too long so we avoid possibly damaging someone's vehicle. Congratulations to the young couple walking down the street picking up trash along the roadway and taking care of their town.

Council President Darrell Westhoff- Eco's what everyone else said. We are doing all we can for public safety. If you can be patient, we will get the water line project started and when this is finished, we will start working on the streets. Just be patient, and if you have any questions, I'm personally available to answer any questions or concerns about the city you may have either during a meeting, after a meeting, at your house or anytime just let me know.

Mayor Mickey Pyle- Wants to thank Seirra for her service and wish her luck in her future endeavors. Advise all the city employees of the good job they are doing. Reiterate that I had an article in the newspaper and provided my phone number. If people have questions they could call me. I like to talk in person rather than over the phone or on the internet, can call to set up a time to meet. Thanks everyone for what they are doing.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion made by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to adjourn at 6:45pm, motion carried.

  
Mickey J. Pyle, Mayor

Attest:

  
Heather A. Ryan, CMC, Deputy City Clerk

