

CITY OF GIRARD
AGENDA
MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
June 16, 2025
5:00 PM
A Great Place to Call Home...



CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Mickey Pyle brought the meeting to order.

ROLL CALL

Present:

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

Also Present:

Steve Angermayer, City Attorney
Johanna O'Brien, City Administrator
Karen Buck, City Clerk

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Mayor Mickey Pyle.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to approve the agenda as presented. Motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded Darrell Westhoff to approve the consent agenda A-D as presented.
Motion carried.

A. Approval of Appropriations Ordinance 2025-12 \$471,909.40

- Purchases over \$10,000.00

Ryan Insurance (Insurance coverage 2025/2026) \$161,863.00
Girard Library (Approp Library Board) \$63,444.14
Koppers (Pole K7 Hwy Project) \$15,879.26
PWWSD#11 (Gallons Water Purchased) \$23,407.68
Mammoth (Girard Athletic Complex Lights) \$134,715.00
Custom Products (Street Signs) \$11,910.75

B. Approve council minutes of May 19, 2025

C. Approve Derick Burke as Assistance Chief of Police at \$24.00/hour contingent upon successful completion of pre-employment paperwork

D. Accept the resignation of Chris Paulie effective immediately

PUBLIC FORUM

No one spoke during public forum.

REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Public Hearing for CDBG small community facilities

- Brytnee Kepley, representative of Southeast Kansas Regional Planning Commission (SEKRPC), spoke regarding the application for Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) stating the reason for the grant is to equip the fire fighters with protective gear.

- After waiting for any questions, Mayor Mickey Pyle closed the public hearing at 5:06 p.m.
- B. Approve Resolution certifying legal authority to apply for CDBG
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Dennis Everett to approve Resolution 2025-15 certifying legal authority to apply for CDBG. Motion carried.
- C. Approve Resolution assuring funds for continual maintenance of fire equipment
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve Resolution 2025-16 assuring funds for continual maintenance of fire equipment for CDBG. Motion carried.
- D. Approve CDBG application forms for Mayor signature
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Dennis Everett to approve CDBG application forms for Mayor Pyle's signature. Motion carried.
- E. Update on projects: Water USDA/KWO/Bid opening July 15, Solar ITC, CCLIP, KDOT TA, CDBG Sidewalks, CDBG Small Facilities, CAT Generator
- (USDA/KWO/Bid Opening July 15) Only two employees who started with us are still working with USDA. There is concern the bids for the water plant will be higher than normal, which may affect the interim financing. Construction is to begin October/November 2025 on the steel mile water line. Fire Department is thinking of getting a tanker truck to provide extra water during the water line project.
 - (Solar ITC) Had a bond council meeting today working on financing. Approved 60% to equal \$3 million, minus tax credit to city. Drive has to be separate.
 - (CCLIP) North Hwy 7 starting at the 4-way intersection going north to the city limits in concrete. Awaiting design.
 - (KDOT TA) Access city sidewalks. Waiting on design with bidding this year. This is a 100% grant.
 - (CDBG Sidewalks) Almost complete
 - (CDBG Small Facilities) Resolutions approved at tonight's council meeting.
 - (CAT Generator) Will pour pad mid to late summer. City will pay costs for the concrete pad.
- F. Consider personnel policy updates
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to table the personnel policy updates for two weeks until next council meeting. Motion carried.
- G. Partial road closure
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to do a temporary road closure at the intersection of South Osage and West Forest going south on South Osage to the Library parking lot entrance on June 21, 2025 starting at noon and ending at 10:00 p.m. Motion carried.
- H. Approve May 2025 judges report total collected \$2,262.83, with total to city \$665.50.
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to approve May 2025 judges report total collected \$2,262.83 with the total to the city \$665.50. Motion carried.
- I. Executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss employee status and pay. Recommend 10-minute session to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, City Clerk on-call, Fire Chief on-call.
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to go into executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss employee status and pay for 10 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, City Clerk, on call and Fire Chief, on call. Motion carried.
 - Mayor Mickey Pyle brought the meeting back to regular session.
 - Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve the part-time pay scale as presented. Motion carried.
 - Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Dennis Everett to authorize Heather Ryan to apply for a City credit card at a local bank up to \$51,000.00 credit limit. Motion carried.

J. Executive session for attorney-client privilege to discuss residential sewer utility issue. Recommend 10-minute session to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Public Works Director.

- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to go into executive session for attorney-client privilege to discuss residential sewer utility issue for 10 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator and Public Works Director. Motion carried.
 - Mayor Mickey Pyle brought the meeting back to regular session.
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to go into executive session for attorney-client privilege to discuss residential sewer utility issue for 10 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator and Public Works Director. Motion carried.
 - Mayor Mickey Pyle brought the meeting back to regular session.
- No motion was made.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

Council Member Lanessa Arthur

Wants to remind everyone to use the facilities during the summer. Keep your dollars local by shopping local which helps the public safety department. Thank you to the Chief regarding getting grants to help utilize the grants to help tax monies to go further.

Water/grants help the community and infrastructure but we can't fix the roads until the projects are completed.

Reminder, it is summer and please watch for children and care for your animals.

Council Member Lucas Stansbury

Echo Lanessa's comments.

Splash pad looks good at the swimming pool.

Reminder: Girard has a leash law so make sure dogs are on a leash.

Council Member Dennis Everett

Reminder: Girard Library has many activities for children during the summer months.

Thank you to the City of Girard for perseverance regarding the water project.

Council President Darrell Westhoff

No comments.

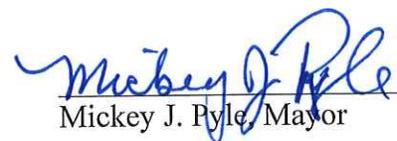
Mayor Mickey Pyle

Echo's everyone else.

Be safe.

ADJOURNMENT

The meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m. with a motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Dennis Everett. Motion carried.


Mickey J. Pyle, Mayor

Attest:


Karen E. Buck, MMC, CPM, City Clerk

