

CITY OF GIRARD
AGENDA
MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 25, 2025
5:00 PM
A Great Place to Call Home...



CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Mickey Pyle called 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:

Johanna O'Brien, City Administrator
Heather A. Ryan, Deputy City Clerk

INVOCATION

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 Darrell Westhoff to accept the agenda with changing item B in consent agenda to say Aug 11, 2025, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Approval of Appropriations Ordinance 2025- 17 \$861,633.54
 - Purchases over \$10,000.00
 - Crawford Co Sheriff (Law Enforcement Coverage) \$48,000
 - Mission Construction (CDBG Sidewalk Pymt Request #6) \$145,025.05
 - Earls Engineering (Sidewalk post design April-May) \$51,958.00
 - KMEA/EMP3 (Operating Account) \$127,194.00
 - KMEA Mid States (CAT Generator) \$34,393.36
 - Midwest Engineering (Waterline Project/WTP) \$45,520.08
 - Strukel Electric (K-7 Hwy Project-Rock Drill) \$12,000.00
 - State Treasurer (Series 2021 Bond principle/interest) \$337,959.38
- B. Approve council minutes of July 28, 2025
- C. Approve Abbie Brooksher for \$0.50 raise for positive 6-month recommendation
- D. Approve Lyle Grandy as a volunteer firefighter
- Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to accept the consent agenda as presented with the correction to item B to say Aug 11, 2025, motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

- Janet Lang spoke about her dog almost getting attacked by the neighbor's dog running loose with nobody watching it. She would like to see if our police department could fine them or if we can do something about the issue with the dogs running at large.

REGULAR BUSINESS

- A. Schedule Combined Budget and Revenue Neutral Rate Hearing for September 8
 - Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to schedule the Combined Budget and Revenue Neutral Rate hearing for September 8th, motion carried.
- B. Approve July Judges Report showing total collected \$767.20, with total to city \$391.70.
 - Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve July Judges report showing total collected \$767.20 with total to city \$391.70, motion carried.
- C. Consider common consumption ordinance
 - Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to approve common consumption ordinance 1396 from 10am to 8pm with no glass containers, with Lanessa Arthur opposed, motion carried.
- D. Approve street closer for fall festival
 - Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve street closer for fall festival from 7am to 7pm, motion carried.
- E. Review draft fire ordinance
 - City Administrator will be writing about other options, A, B & C, to consider and revisit at a later meeting.
- F. Approve Ordinance 1395 special assessments
 - Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Lanessa Arthur to approve special assessments ordinance 1395, motion carried.
- G. Choose two voting delegates for League Conference and two alternates
 - Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to approve Mickey Pyle and Dennis Everett as voting delegates at League Conference and for Lucas Stansbury and Darrell Westhoff as alternates, motion carried.
- H. Update on CAT invoice, electric projects and Alliance invoice
 - CAT generator invoice was turned in to be paid, has already been approved.
 - Solar, September 9th or 18th will be down to test drill holes.
 - Alliance invoice was over city administrators spending authority, talked with Mayor Mickey Pyle and approved to get order in as this was for the emergency repair pump for the east tower.
 - Bid documents should go live in the morning for waterline and treatment plant and the pre-bid conference will be on September 17th.
 - Opening for bids will be September 30th.
 - Phase 2 of the highway and sidewalk project will be bid in January.
- I. Executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss employee evaluation and hiring
 - a. Recommend 15-minute session to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Deputy City Clerk on-call, Police Chief on-call
 - Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to go to executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss employee evaluation, and hiring recommended 15 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Deputy City Clerk on-call, Police Chief on-call, motion carried.
 - Mayor Mickey Pyle brought the meeting back to order.
 - Motion by Lanessa Arthur, seconded by Dennis Everett to go to executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss employee evaluation, and hiring recommended 10 minutes to include Mayor,

Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Deputy City Clerk on-call, Police Chief on-call, motion carried.

- Mayor Mickey Pyle called the meeting back to order.
- No motion was made

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

Council Member Lanessa Arthur:

Following up on trash service, making sure all has been changed over, and it has all been switched to 4-State Sanitation. School has started, so use immunities as they will be closing. Remember to shop locally. Suggestion to secure the burn boxes behind the fire station. Watch out for kids and animals.

Council Member Lucas Stansbury:

Eco's Lanessa. Wanted to highlight the new volunteer firefighter as he likes to see it when others step up to help our community. Thanks, the individuals from the chamber for coming in and talking about the fall festival and other activities that Girard has to offer. It is getting colder, and summer was hot but wanted to make sure that Cliff ordered the fuel for winter and that Jackie has ordered the salt for our roads, and both have done so. Thanks to everyone in the city for all the work that they do. Encourages individuals within the community to get involved or come to meetings.

Council Member Dennis Everett:

Thank you again to Spencer Gabehart for his eagle scout project he completed at Winston Park on restoring the barbecue grills, as they look fantastic and it brings our park up to snuff.

Council President Darrell Westhoff:

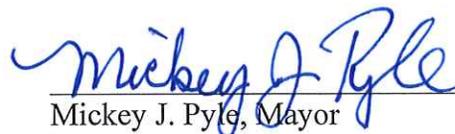
Thank you to all the employees for all the work that they do.

Mayor Mickey Pyle:

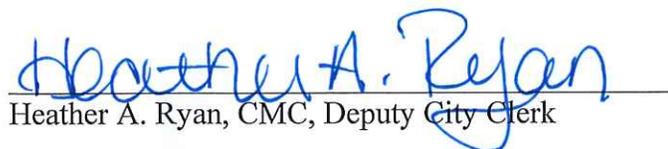
Went out to the park and presented Spencer with the proclamation plaque as he had no idea about, so he was surprised. Thanks, all city employees for what they are doing. Things are getting busy and working on getting things on track, we are getting there.

ADJOURNMENT

- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to adjourn at 6:54p.m., motion carried.


Mickey J. Pyle, Mayor

Attest:


Heather A. Ryan, CMC, Deputy City Clerk

