

CITY OF GIRARD
AGENDA
MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
January 26, 2026
5:00 PM
A Great Place to Call Home...



CALL MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Nick Cheney called the meeting to order

ROLL CALL

Present:

Morgan Johnson, 1st Ward

Lucas Stansbury, 2nd Ward

John Leigh, 3rd Ward

Darrell Westhoff, 4th Ward

Also Present:

Steve Angermayer, City Attorney

Johanna O'Brien, City Administrator

Heather Ryan, City Clerk

INVOCATION

The invocation was given by Mayor Nick Cheney

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all

ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA

- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to accept agenda as presented, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Appropriations Ordinance 2026-02 \$1,132,724.12

- Purchases over \$10,000.00

Alliance Pump (Well #3 Electric motor & Soft Start) \$22,073.50

Bo's 1 Stop (Culvert Inventory Stock) \$26,613.20

Girard Library (Ad Val) \$124,403.99

KMIT (Worker's Comp Insurance 2026) \$31,511.00

KMEA GRDA (Operating Account) \$74,498.00

KMEA EMP3 (Operating Account) \$86,285.00

Midwest Engineering (Inv#18-WTP Water Treatment project) \$12,189.80

Iron Pipe (WTP Supply Waterline Project-pay app 1 & change order 2) \$597,893.10

B. Approve council minutes of January 12, 2026

C. Approve a \$0.50 increase for Gary Coen for completion of KLETC and \$0.50 for positive 6 month evaluation per Chief recommendation

D. Approve moving Malachi Melton from volunteer to part-time firefighter status due to completion of all requirements and Chief recommendation

- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Morgan Johnson to approve consent agenda as presented, motion carried.

PUBLIC FORUM

- There was no-one that spoke during public forum.

REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Proclamation FBLA Week

- Mayor Nick Cheney presented students with proclamation plaque for FBLA week.

- B. Consider approving KDOT agreement for South Summit project
 - Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Morgan Johnson to approve KDOT agreement for the S. Summit project, motion carried.
- C. Approve December 2025 judges report showing total collected \$2,880.50, with total to city \$2,301.00
 - Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve December 2025 judges report showing total collected \$2,880.50, with total to city \$2,301.00, motion carried.
- D. Discuss potentially changing meeting times
 - Discussion to possibly change meeting time to be at 5:30p.m.
 - City Administrator and City Attorney will revise current ordinance to reflect recommendation on new meeting time and will bring new revised ordinance to next meeting to be voted on.
- E. Consider golf course recommendation for purchasing a block building for pump house and selling building that was already bought
 - Discussion on block building for pump house at the golf course verses a wooden building
 - Check with insurance on liability for volunteers
 - Consensus on block building at golf course for pump house.
 - Consider surplus wooden building or possibly use somewhere else within the city
- F. Consider golf course recommendations to explore pricing to purchase 10-12 new golf carts
 - Tabled for a later time
 - Possibly try and sell used carts outright vs trade in value
- G. Consider golf course recommendations to open clubhouse on March 2, 2026
 - Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by John Leigh to open clubhouse on March 2nd, 2026, motion carried.
- H. Executive session for contractual to discuss proposal for website rebuild
 - a. Recommend 15-minute session to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator and City Clerk
 - Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to go into executive session for contractual to discuss proposal for website rebuild recommended 15 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator and City Clerk, motion carried.
 - Mayor Nick Cheney called the meeting back to order
 - Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to go into executive session for contractual to discuss proposal for website rebuild recommended 10 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator and City Clerk, motion carried.
 - Mayor Nick Cheney called the meeting back to order
 - No Motion was made
- I. Executive session for contractual to discuss easement negotiation for water line
 - a. Recommend 10-minute session to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator and Public Works Director
 - Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to go into executive session for contractual to discuss easement negotiation for water line recommended 10 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator and Public Works Director, motion carried.
 - Mayor Nick Cheney called the meeting back to order
 - Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Morgan Johnson to go into executive session for contractual to discuss easement negotiation for water line recommended 6 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator and Public Works Director, motion carried.
 - Mayor Nick Cheney called the meeting back to order
 - No motion was made
- J. Executive session for contractual to discuss resident neighborhood revitalization agreement
 - a. Recommend 5- minute session to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator and City Clerk
 - Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to go into executive session for contractual to discuss resident neighborhood revitalization agreement recommended 5 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator and City Clerk, motion carried.

- Mayor Nick Cheney called the meeting back to order
- No motion was made

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

- Council Member Morgan Johnson:

Thank you to all city employees that have been out working in this weather, it's been brutal. If there is anyone in my ward that needs anything, please reach out and I will do my best to help.

- Council President Lucas Stansbury:

Eco's what Morgan said. I know others were upset with Doug Heady as the weather amounts came in lower than was expected, but happy that it was less snow than it could have been as it was less taxing on our guys in and out doing their job. That includes everyone in the city as we all make ourselves available even when weather is like this. It's a new year looking forward to what's in store, still a lot of work to be done but I know day in and day out the new council have been doing their diligence, living and learning quite a bit, studying and trying to figure out how the city works not just publicly but behind the scenes. I am excited to have new council members here and working with us to get stuff the citizens need, like Morgan said wants to hear from you, wants to know how you feel and will do his best he can to listen.

- Council Member John Leigh:

If there is anybody in Ward 3 having any issues, please call my number is in the phone book and I will try to do what I can. I am happy with the city and cleaning off the roads, they did a really good job. We are dealing with a lot of stuff behind the scenes right now like Lucas said, trying to get to the bottom of things. I think it is going to be a productive year so give us some time and make some changes and I think it all will be good.

- Council President Darrell Westhoff:

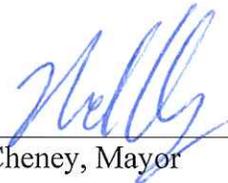
Thank you to all city employees. Happy to see the snow plows out, some of the ones we missed last snowstorm we got this time as I went out and checked. Very happy about what the city has done, Cliff in the electric department were happy we didn't have any major power issues this time around so good job by all. Everyone stay warm and in about a week it will be fifty.

- Mayor Nick Cheney:

Thank you to all city employees for all their hard work. We are still working on some transparency things with the website and social media as it's going to take longer than we would like but we are working on stuff behind the scenes and hopefully we will have some more direction within a month or so.

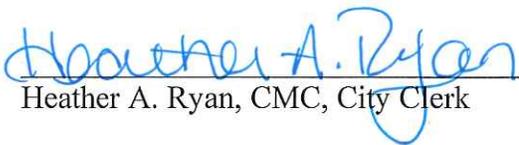
ADJOURNMENT

Motion by Morgan Johnson, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to adjourn at 6:31p.m., motion carried.



Nick Cheney, Mayor

Attest:



Heather A. Ryan, CMC, City Clerk

