

**CITY OF GIRARD**  
**MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL**  
**January 4, 2021**  
**5:00 PM**  
*A Great Place to Call Home...*

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**CALL MEETING TO ORDER**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Mickey Pyle

**ROLL CALL**

Present:

- Sheldon DeLange, 1<sup>st</sup> Ward
- Lucas Stansbury, 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward
- Bill Huston, 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward
- Jeff Leslie, 4<sup>th</sup> Ward

Also present:

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

**INVOCATION**

Invocation was given by Sheldon DeLange, 1<sup>st</sup> Ward Council

**PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Pledge of Allegiance was recited by all.

**ACCEPTANCE OF THE AGENDA**

Motion by Sheldon DeLange, seconded by Jeff Leslie to accept the agenda, except Move letter "J" to be after letter "B". Motion carried.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

Motion by Sheldon DeLange, seconded by Bill Huston to accept the consent agenda as presented. Motion carried.

- A. Approval of Appropriations Ordinance 2021-01
- B. Approval of Appropriations Ordinance 2020-26A
- C. Approval of Appropriations Ordinance 2020-26B
  - Purchases over \$10,000.00
  - BCBS \$28,484.45
  - BCBS \$29,956.37
  - KMEA \$67,943.14
- D. Approval of meeting minutes of December 21, 2020.

**PUBLIC FORUM**

**REGULAR BUSINESS**

- A. Public Meeting for USDA grant
  - Mayor Mickey Pyle opened the meeting to the public for any questions or comments regarding the application for an USDA grant. No comments or questions were asked.
  - Mayor closed the public meeting at 5:10 p.m. and re-opened regular session.
- B. Approval of submission of USDA grant

- Motion by Jeff Leslie, seconded by Sheldon DeLange to authorize application for USDA grant for Police truck and Fire Department merchandise including saws and large fans. Motion carried.
- J. Discuss burning brush behind Challengers on East St John St
- Mr. Kevin Hueber was present to explain his request for burning trees located behind Challenger at 415 E St John St. The interim Fire Chief, Daulton, will get with Mr. Hueber and give him the requirements of burning. No motion was made.
- C. Sandy Hallacy to speak about Raymond Community Home
- Ms Hallacy was not in person or on telephone to speak regarding the Raymond Community Home. The phone was checked periodically throughout the rest of the meeting.
- D. Consider debt refinancing
- Motion by Sheldon DeLange, seconded by Jeff Leslie to schedule a special meeting in order to discuss possible refinancing the city's debts with a guest speaker from Raymond James at noon on Friday January 8, 2021 at the Council Chambers. Motion carried.
- E. Consider City Attorneys suggested amendment to bonus policy
- Motion by Jeff Leslie, seconded by Sheldon DeLange, to amend annual bonus policy, Letter F, to be based on performance. Motion carried.
- F. Consider City Clerk suggested amendment to bereavement leave policy
- Motion by Sheldon DeLange, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to change the bereavement from one day to three days and to allow a pall bearer one day of bereavement leave as long as an funeral program as documentation. Motion carried.
- G. Consider amendment to holiday policy
- Motion by Sheldon DeLange, seconded by Jeff Leslie to include Christmas Eve as a recognized City holiday with pay. Motion carried.
- H. Approve County Elderly Fund request
- Motion by Jeff Leslie, seconded by Bill Huston to allow the City to request for Elderly Funds to be used for the elderly.
- I. Approve County Parks and Recreation request
- Motion by Sheldon DeLange, seconded by Jeff Leslie to request County Parks and Recreation grant. Motion carried.

## **GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS**

Council Member Sheldon DeLange

No comments.

Council Lucas Stansbury

No comments.

Council President Member Bill Huston

Would like to send a Thank You to Brumback company for putting a sign say "Welcome to Girard" on the side of the building.

Council Member Jeffrey Leslie

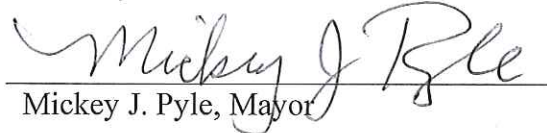
Thank you to the employees of the city for the excellent jobs and keep up the good work.

Mayor Mickey Pyle

Echoes Jeff Leslie's comment regarding the employees adding keep moving forward.

**ADJOURNMENT**

The meeting was adjourned at 5:44 p.m. with a motion by Sheldon DeLange, seconded by Jeff Leslie. Motion carried.

  
Mickey J. Pyle, Mayor

Attest:

  
Karen E. Buck, CMC, CPM, City Clerk

