

CITY OF GIRARD
AGENDA
MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
AUGUST 24, 2026
5:30 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 Morgan Johnson, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to amend agenda adding letter N fall garage sale Sept 11th & 12th waiving permit fee, motion carried.
- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Morgan Johnson to accept the amended agenda as presented, motion carried.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Approval of Appropriations Ordinance 2026-17 \$2,780,703.44

- Purchases over \$10,000.00

BCBS (Insurance Premium) \$32,330.58

Priority Power (Solar Project) \$1,735,501.85

Earls Engineering (Field Check 90% Paving S. Summit) \$11,900.00

KMEA GRDA (Operating Account) \$35,991.00

KMEA EMP3 (Operating Account) \$176,597.00

Midwest Engineering (Engineering Service Inv#20-Waterline Project) \$32,013.60

State Treasurer (GO Bond Series 2021 Principle & Interest Pymt) \$353,984.38

Shoemaker & Sons (Pay Request #3-Waterline Project) \$347,935.62

B. Approve council minutes of Aug 10, 2026

C. Approve Malachi Melton as full-time firefighter at contingent on successful completion of pre-employment paperwork

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

PUBLIC FORUM

- The was no one that spoke during public forum

REGULAR BUSINESS

- A. Notice of Combine Public Hearing for RNR and Budget to be held on September 8th and to be published in Hometown Girard and the website by August 27th (at least 10 days prior to Hearing)
- Motion by Morgan Johnson, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve the combine public hearing for RNR and Budget to be held on September 8th and to be published in the Hometown Girard and website by Aug 27th (at least 10 days prior to hearing), motion carried.
- B. Proclamation
- Mayor Nick Cheney presented a proclamation plaque to first responders
- C. Discuss allowing the Basauri family to place a memorial bench at the basketball courts
- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Morgan Johnson to approve Basauri family to place memorial bench at the basketball courts with approval from public works department on bench type and placement, motion carried
- D. Golf committee meeting report and golf cart presentation
- Brian with Clear Creek golf carts spoke on 2023 Lithium battery golf carts
 - Another option available is 2022 carts that came from Highland Springs golf course in Springfield
 - Currently have 2011 gas carts, still have life in them but will need to deal with at some point in time. Typically see the life span on carts are 8 to 10 years.
 - Finance options are available
 - Trade in value \$1500 per cart
 - Fungus on some greens
 - Need cart paths repaired and carts
 - Would like to get more pricing on other carts available and then relook at where we stand once information is gathered.
- E. Accept KDOT TA grant award of \$561,000 for sidewalks and approve for Mayoral signature
- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Morgan Johnson to accept KDOT TA grant for \$561,000 for sidewalks, motion carried.
- F. Consider High School's request for a road closure on August 31, 2026 from 4:30 to 7:30 for Rock the Block
- a. 100 block of East Maple Street from 47hwy to Ozark Street
- Motion by Morgan Johnson, seconded by John Leigh to approve road closure on August 31st for Rock the Block, motion carried.
- G. Consider request for a road closure on September 12, 2026 from 9:30 to 11:30 for Blessing of First Responder
- a. 100 block of East Forest in front of Court House
- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Morgan Johnson to approve road closure for Blessing of First Responders on September 12th, motion carried.
- H. Consider SEKRPC agreement
- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Morgan Johnson to approve agreement with SEKRPC subject to city suggestion modification to agreement not allowing either party to take each other to court, motion carried.
- I. Approve Resolution 2026-12 condemnation 213 S Logan St
- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve resolution 2026-12 condemnation 213 S Logan St, motion carried.

J. Approve Resolution 2026-13 condemnation 414 W Antelope St

- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Morgan Johnson to approve resolution 2026-13 condemnation 414 W. Antelope St, motion carried.

K. Approve Ordinance 1406 Special Assessments

- Motion by Morgan Johnson, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to approve ordinance 1406 Special Assessments, motion carried.

L. Executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss employee responsibility/job audit

- a. Recommend 15-minute session to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Public Works Director
- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Morgan Johnson to go into executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss employee responsibility/job audit recommended 15 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, 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 nonelected personnel to discuss employee responsibility/job audit recommended 10 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Public Works Director, motion carried.
 - Mayor Nick Cheney called the meeting back to order
 - No motion was made

M. Executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss Deputy Fire Chief position

- a. Recommend 10-minute session to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Fire Chief, Mark McAtee on-call
- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Morgan Johnson to go into execution session for nonelected personnel to discuss Deputy Fire Chief position recommended 10 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Fire Chief, Mark McAtee on-call, motion carried.
 - Mayor Nick Cheney called the meeting back to order
 - Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve Mark McAtee as Deputy Fire Chief, motion carried.

N. Fall City Wide Garage Sale

- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Morgan Johnson to approve fall city wide garage sale September 11th & 12th and to have it published in the paper, motion carried.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

- Council Member Morgan Johnson

No comments

- Council Member Lucas Stansbury

Thank you to all city employees. Congrats to Mark McAtee on Deputy Fire Chief position. Waterline project is still going strong. Remember to use the amenities the city offers and keep them neat and tidy.

- Council Member John Leigh

Thank you to the city for doing everything they can to make Girard great again. People are talking about the waterlines and the streets. Hopefully everyone can go out to the golf course and restaurant and help support that. School has started so get ready for Paint the town gold.

- Council President Darrell Westhoff

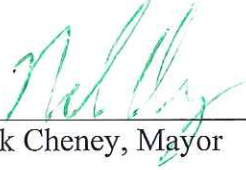
Thank you to all the city employees, police department, fire department, city hall for the jobs they do as sometime the circumstances are the greatest. Have had a lot of comments regarding the installation of cameras out at the golf course and want to reiterate that I was not a fan of them and want it to be public record that way I don't have to answer all the dang questions anymore. I think things are going well, especially with the water project and if anyone has any questions, always available.

- Mayor Nick Cheney

Public Works are continuing to work on the roads. They also worked on the 4-way stop trying to repair the waves in the road but will have go back and finish as it got too hot to lay asphalt. The grill out at the golf course is open and its open year-round and it's not just for golfers; it's for anyone in the community or surrounding area to come and enjoy. Trying to turn into a sports bar atmosphere by adding 8 tv's. Hopefully by tomorrow or by the end of this week the website will have a button in the top right to be able to be able to get information regarding hours, menu and also availability to order online along with a scannable QR code. We have also implemented a new point of sale system. In September we will be having a couple of nights of specials, on Tuesdays will be tacos and on Fridays will be nachos and will broadcast any local sports games. There is a full menu served every day and night. Monday-Friday lunch will be served from 11:00 to 1:00 and dinner 5:00 to close and on Saturday 11:00 to close. Also doing some routine maintenance in the clubhouse and trying to apply for a grant to help get some outside seating and fencing. In September there will be a one time 10% off coupon to use at the restaurant.

ADJOURNMENT

- Motion by Morgan Johnson, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to adjourn at 6:59p.m., motion carried.



Nick Cheney, Mayor

Attest:



Heather A. Ryan, CMC, City Clerk