CITY OF GIRARD
AGENDA
MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL
OCTOBER 5, 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:
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
Absent:
Morgan Johnson, 1st Ward
INVOCATION
The invocation was given by Mayor Nick Cheney
PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
The Pledge of Allegiance was given by Mayor Nick Cheney
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- 20 $506,063.53
    - Purchases over $10,000.00

Anitxter Inc (Phase 3 URD Wire) $10,356.42
BCBS (Insurance Premium) $38,061.13
Girard Library (Library Board Approp. Ad Val) $23,084.77
KMEA GRDA (Operating Account) $28,585.00
Midwest Engineering (Engineering services waterline project Inv # 20) $42,095.20
GN Bank Visa (June & July Statement) $18,673.96
Shoemaker & Sons (Pay app #4-Waterline project) $291,438.50
Stella Jones (CL4 Poles) $17,423.52)

B. Approve council minutes of September 21, 2026
C. Accept resignation of Nolan Wall effective October 7th 2026
D. Accept resignation of Cody Zook effective October 13th 2026
E. Approve Deputy City Clerk wage of $25/hour effective October 7, 2026
F. Approve Carol Marcan-Venson as clubhouse attendant at $12/hour upon successful completion of new hire paperwork.
G. Approve Kylie Smith as police officer at $17.44/hour contingent upon successful completion of new hire paperwork

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

PUBLIC FORUM

- Greg Scott presented council with the diamonds being placed around the square with the anti-skid on them like they had requested prior for approval.
- Council, Jackie and Eric all approved for them to move forward with the project.

REGULAR BUSINESS

A. Public Hearing for SRF application and approval of paperwork and Resolution

- Mayor Nick Cheney opened the public meeting, and after reasonable time the mayor closed the public meeting.
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- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to approve resolution 2026-18, motion carried.
- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to allow mayor to have authority to sign documents presented by Brytnee for the KDHE project, motion carried.

B. Bid Opening

- Radell Construction for the water plant slab is $13,975.00 and for the golf slab is $9,625.00 for a total bid $23,600.
- Mission Construction for the water plant slab is $8,700 and for the golf slab is $4,000.00 for a total bid $12,700.00
- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to accept bid from Mission Construction, motion carried.

C. USDA project Change Order 2

- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to accept the change order for boring the 3 crossings, 12-inch casing & surface area restoration, insurance, bonding and mobilization and to deduct the bid item #25 and defer the days until a later date, motion carried.

D. Discuss authority for field changes – consider allowing authority for changes up to construction contract amount + budgeted contingency

- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by John Leigh to approve Eric Bailey and Jackie Messer to make field changes upon approval from Mayor, City Administrator and City Clerk for USDA if amount not approved by above, then must be presented to city council, motion carried.

E. Approve August 2026 judges report showing total collected $2,680.00, with total to city $,2384.00

- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve the August 2026 judges report showing total collected $2,680.00, with total to city $2,384.00, motion carried.

F. Discuss fireworks at football games

- Council approves for fireworks to be shot off during such events.

G. Executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss filling vacated positions and employee raise
    a. Recommend 15-minute session to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Electric Director, City Clerk

- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to go into executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss filling vacated positions and employee raise recommended 15 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Electric Director, 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 nonelected personnel to discuss filling vacated positions and employee raise recommended 15 minutes to include Mayor, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, City Clerk, motion carried.
- Mayor Nick Cheney called the meeting back to order

- Motion by Darrell Westhoff, seconded by Lucas Stansbury to approve new pay scales, updated job description, and commensurately adjust wages of seasonal part-time employees', motion carried.

H. Executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss salary employee fringe benefit for call out and contract
   a. Recommend 10-minute session to include, Council, City Attorney, City Administrator, Public Works Director

- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by John Leigh to go into executive session for nonelected personnel to discuss salary employee fringe benefit for call out and contract 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

I. Executive session for contractual to discuss railroad permit agreement
   a. Recommend 5-minute session to include Council, city Attorney, City Administrator, Public Works Director, Project Manager

- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to table executive session for contractual to discuss railroad permit agreement until next meeting, motion carried.

J. Consider Pay Scales with COLA adjustment

- Added a 2.8% COLA adjustment to the top and lower ends which was discussed when discussing employees in executive session which council approved during executive session.

K. Consider quote for boring under Power Plant

- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by Darrell Westhoff to approve boring quote from Radell Underground in the amount of $14,804.54, motion carried.

GOVERNING BODY COMMENTS

- Council Member Morgan Johnson
- Council Member Lucas Stansbury

No comments

- Council Member John Leigh

No comments

- Council President Darrell Westhoff

Thank you to all the employees. Fall is coming so we know winter is coming up. I'm sure we got all the appropriate things to be ready for ice and snow. One other thing, it's kind of a personal thing, whoever the person is that is taking the political signs out of my yard, I don't want to catch you in my yard, this is for anybody out there listening, I don't care who you are for or who you are against you can put 100 signs in your yard, I'm not going to touch yours so you don't touch mine.

- Mayor Nick Cheney

New website for the golf course, crawfordhillsgolf.com. One place is easier to find for the golf and restaurant. The bump-outs are trying to get cleaned up before the fall festival on the 16th or 17th to burn the dead grass and then smooth them out pending the skid steer getting back.

ADJOURNMENT

- Motion by Lucas Stansbury, seconded by John Leigh to adjourn at 7:13p.m., motion carried.

Nick Cheney, Mayor

Attest:

Heather A. Ryan, CMC, City Clerk