



**Gardendale Council Meeting
Tuesday January 23, 2024 12:00 pm**

The Gardendale City council met on Tuesday January 23, 2023, at 12:00 pm for a regularly scheduled council meeting that was postponed and noticed posted changing the meeting from January 16, 2024 due to inclement weather. Councilor Currington presided over the meeting and Melissa Honeycutt acted as recording secretary.

Council President Currington called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m. Councilor Berendt led the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Bryan Knox delivered the devotional.

Melissa Honeycutt called roll and asked for a voice response from those in attendance.

Members present were as follows:

Bryan Knox
Adam Berendt
Alvin Currington
Greg Colvert
Will Hardman

Also Attending: Mayor Stan Hogeland, City Attorney Ken Thompson

Councilor Currington called for a motion for approval of Minutes from the January 2 and January 9, 2024 meetings. Councilor Berendt made a motion to approve as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Hardman and upon a voice vote was approved by all council members.

Visitors: none

Correspondence/Announcements: none

Councilor Currington called for a motion to approve the payment of bills as listed on the bill list. Councilor Knox made a motion of approval. Councilor Berendt seconded the motion and upon a voice vote passed unanimously.

Report from Council Members: Councilor Currington called for councilmember reports. No members had verbal reports at this time.

Councilor Currington called for Reports from Department Heads as follows:

Administration Dept. Melissa Honeycutt, City Clerk/Finance Director stated that license renewals are continuing and all have until January 31, 2024 to renew without penalty and interest being applies.

Fire & Rescue Dept. Joe Thomas had no report

Police Dept. Scott Banks asked everyone be aware of surroundings in retail areas, please take personal items with you. Are seeing transient business such as asphalt and pine straw businesses coming into the city without licensing and upping the price once job is complete.

Inspections Dept. Blake Castleberry had no report

Public Works Dept. Daniel Wallace has no report.

Parks & Rec. Dept. Dale Hyche, Director New Bucket truck being used to remove Christmas decorations and currently preparing for spring sports.

Civic Center Dept. Keith Mosley, Director reminded everyone that the Civic Center has indoor Pickleball courts available.

Senior Center Georgiann Pickens, Director had no report

Library Dept Connie Smith, Director stated the Arts Council has Feb 17 Dinner Mystery Show.

Bill Noble Park Jesse Newsome working with Parks Dept to get park ready for spring sports. Spring sport registrations are getting close to their close dates and evaluations will occur the first week of February.

Chamber of Commerce Roz Jackson Annual Banquet on January 25th at 6pm at the Club, Next Chamber Lunch will be February 8, 2024.

Old Business: none

New Business:

Ordinances:

Second Reading Ordinance 2024-003 to Amend Zoning Ordinance 2013-02 to allow Moving Companies as a conditional use in C-2 and C-3. The ordinance was read by councilor Currington and made a motion for approval. Councilor Hardman seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote passed unanimously. Mayor asked if this was permissive or conditional. Mr. Currington stated it would be conditional use not permissive.

1st Reading Ordinance 2024-005 Accept Streets in Turnberry Phases 5, 6, 7 was read by councilor Currington. This is a first Reading of the ordinance and the second reading will occur February 5, 2024. Councilor Currington asked Daniel Wallace if Public Works was in

agreement, Mr. Wallace stated yes they are ready for acceptance.

Resolutions:

Resolution 2024-005 Local School Funding was read by councilor Knox who made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by councilor Hardman and upon a voice vote passed unanimously.

Resolution 2024-007 Hire Johnathon Ryan Peterson as a Police Officer was read by councilor Knox who made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by councilor Colvert and upon a voice vote passed unanimously. Chief Banks introduced Officer Peterson who was present and stated he is anxious to get out in the city and support the city. Mayor Hogeland stated he is coming to us from another agency and his background matches well with the city operations.

Resolution 2024-008 Install Fire Hydrants 250 City St was read by councilor Hardman who made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by councilor Berendt and upon a voice vote passed unanimously.

Resolution 2024-009 Award Fire Station 3 Construction Contract to Parker Building Services was read by councilor Knox who made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by councilor Hardman and upon a voice vote passed unanimously.

Resolution 2024-010 Budget Amendment FY2024 General Fund was read by councilor Currington who made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by councilor Knox and upon a voice vote passed unanimously.

Resolution 2024-011 Contact with TTL for City Engineering Services was read by councilor Hardman who made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by councilor Berendt and upon a voice vote passed unanimously.

Resolution 2024-012 Surplus Items was read by councilor Berendt who made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by councilor Knox and upon a voice vote passed unanimously.

Resolution 2024-013 Authorize Hurst towing and recovery was read by Councilor Currington made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by councilor Berendt. With 3 Aye votes from Currington, Berendt, and Hardman and Councilor Knox Abstaining and Councilor Colvert Abstaining, the motion passed and resolution was adopted.

Councilor Currington recognized Mayor Hogeland for Mayor Comments as follows: Mayor Hogeland stated Alabama Power has begun working on the interstate lighting this week. As work is completed and the city will then have maintenance and do repairs in partnership with Alabama Power. Proud we are announcing the building of Fire Station 3. Mayor sated Keith has the gym floor refinished every year prior to the Basketball season. The invoice was higher than approved so this will be coming back before the council for approval. Glad to see John Sparks with SFC in attendance. Jesse presented an update on Park operations last night to council. There are rumors in town about a new restaurant, the city is often unable to confirm or deny a


tenant as they will often backout if released in advance of their timeline. Appreciate everyone on council for their time and attention to city operations. The city departments meet every wed to recap plans. Stan stated proud and honored that Pam Huff will be the guest speaker at the 2024 Mayor's Prayer Breakfast. She has fought cancer in the past year and we are honored she will be speaking to us. The breakfast is held on the last Friday in February of each year beginning at 6:30. Thank you to Will for helping arrange the 2025 speaker for the event.

With no Public Comments & Other Business, the meeting was adjourned.

Submitted:


Melissa Honeycutt, City Clerk

Approved:


Alvin Currington, Council President