



**Gardendale Council Meeting
Monday February 5, 2024 6:00 pm**

The Gardendale City council met in work session at 5:30 p.m. on February 5, 2024, at City Hall located at 925 Main Street to discuss general business relating to City operations and reviewing the agenda. Alvin Currington, President called the meeting to order, and Melissa Honeycutt acted as recording secretary.

Members present were as follows:

Alvin Currington
Bryan Knox
Adam Berendt
Greg Colvert
Will Hardman

Also Attending: Mayor Stan Hogeland

City Attorney Ken Thompson was also present.

The council will not have an additional work session following the meeting tonight. Will volunteered to stay and meet if needed.

With no further items, the work session closed at 5:44pm

The Gardendale City council met on Monday February 5, 2023, at 6:00 pm for a regularly scheduled council meeting. Councilor Currington presided over the meeting and Melissa Honeycutt acted as recording secretary.

Council President Currington called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Councilor Hardman led the pledge of allegiance.

Mr. Allen Davis delivered the devotional.

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

Members present were as follows:

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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 16, 2023 Council meeting and January 22, 2024 and January 23, 2024 Work Sessions. Councilor Knox made a motion to approve as presented. The motion was seconded by Councilor Berendt 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 Hardman made a motion of approval. Councilor Berendt seconded the motion and upon a voice vote passed unanimously.

Report from Council Members:

Bryan Knox – not a lot tonight just it is apparent from the crazy weather that we have to keep our eyes on the streets and it caused some issues in roadways, public works is on top of it.

Adam Berendt - no report

Alvin Currington – continues to be lots of requests for travelers on Tarrant Road as to when the 31 and New Castle patches will be repaired by Birmingham Water Works. We began conversations 2 weeks ago and I have called again today as well as our public works reaching out. It is a road hazard in the area it is in as in an intersection. We have not received a response as of 5pm today. Mayor asked Paul if he observed that spot today, has it changed since Friday. No, don't think it has changed since Friday. Mayor will speak with Derrick tonight. Councilor Currington thinks the New Castle Patch has a pothole that showed up this weekend. Paul stated he will look at that. We did place a patch to fill the road and contacted BWW for repair.

Greg Colvert – No report

Will Hardman – received a text from neighbor who was trimming bushes and was shocked the quick turn around Public Works has for picking up brush

Report from Department Heads:

Administration Dept. Melissa Honeycutt, City Clerk/Finance Director – no report

Fire & Rescue Dept. Joe Thomas no report

Police Dept. Scott Banks no report, were involved in a pursuit out of Fultondale through to Cullman.

Inspections Dept. Blake Castleberry no report

Public Works Dept. Paul Tidwell no report

Parks & Rec. Dept. Dale Hyché still prepping for spring sports. Bill Noble Park looking good.

Civic Center Dept. Keith Mosley Art will have Dinner Theatre on Feb 17th tickets are available at the library

Senior Center Georgiann Pickens no report

Library Dept Connie Smith sent council report to Mr. Currington due to her emergency absence. She reminded all of the Dinner Show on the Feb 17th. ACT Prep course begins at Library Feb 25th and runs for 6 weeks on Sunday afternoons from 2-4. Cost of class is \$300 per Mayor Hogeland.

Bill Noble Park Jesse Newsom 375 kids signup for base and softball, excited about this, started practice tonight. Have Valentine Day Kids Cooking Class coming up Friday at 6pm.

Chamber of Commerce Roz Jackson Thursday Feb 8 is luncheon with Jesse Newsom. Feb 9 at 8am is Dunkin Donuts Ribbon Cutting.

Mayor Hogeland asked that Mr. Jim Parola to be recognized as face of Gardendale's Farmers Market. This year will be at Bill Noble Park on Thursdays and partnering with Chamber and SFC to advertise and push notifications during the season. The first farmers market will open May 16th.

Bill Casaday stated Mayor's Prayer Breakfast is last Friday in February. Tickets available now at Civic Center, Library and City Hall in the Mayors Office.

Old Business: none

New Business: none

Ordinances:

Second Reading Ordinance 2024-005 Accept Streets in Turnberry Phases 5, 6, 7 was read by Councilor Knox who made a motion to adopt. Councilor Berendt seconded the motion and upon a roll call vote the ordinance passed unanimously. Public Works and Inspections stated they have reviewed and signed off on the acceptance of the roadways

Resolutions:

Resolution 2024-014 Promote Veronica Hambric to Admin Asst at Public Works was read by councilor Hardman who made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by councilor Colvert and upon a voice vote passed unanimously. Paul introduced Ms. Hambric who thanked the mayor and council and Paul Tidwell for this opportunity. Mayor stated Veronica is a long term employee and proud we can promote her and am comfortable that she will rise to the occasion. Also Patricia Northcutt has moved to City Hall in the front office and will be working for the Mayor as a liaison with Chamber and first point of contact for visitors to City Hall.

Resolution 2024-015 Hire Braden Hodges as PT Laborer at Civic Center 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. Braden was introduced by Keith who stated he has a bright future. Braden thanked everyone for the opportunity and is excited to start work. Mayor stated he did well I interview and hopes we can keep him for a while and welcome you to the city.

Resolution 2024-016 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 2024-017 5th Amendment to PSA with TDG Gardendale LLC to Extend Due Diligence was read by councilor Berendt who made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by councilor Hardman and upon a voice vote passed unanimously.

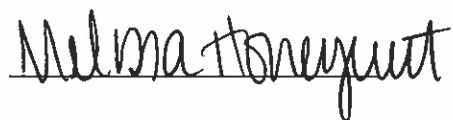
Resolution 2024-018 Budget Amendment FY2024 General Fund was read by councilor Currington who made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by Colvert and upon a voice vote passed unanimously. Mayor asked if the Civic Center flooring increase was on the resolution, city clerk responded no that it would be handled at the next meeting by resolution.

Resolution 2024-019 Surplus Items no longer needed was read by councilor Colvert who made a motion to approve the resolution. The motion was seconded by councilor Hardman and upon a voice vote passed unanimously.

Councilor Currington recognized Mayor Hogeland for Mayor Comments as follows: Mayor Hogeland stated this coming Thursday night will be a planning and zoning meeting and as the council to be aware and attend if possible, Main street townhomes, billboard at Mt Olive Blvd. and 31 and conditional use of the moving company on Main street. Mayor does plan to attend as it is an important meeting. Councilor Currington will be there. Mayor stated that the TVs will be used. The Audio/Video in this room will be updated in the next few months. The TDG Group contract is a big thing for is, the extension is due to non compactable dirt. Mayor does have a meeting scheduled with them this week. Magnolia Festival will be April 19 and April 20th. Monthly Leadership training is tomorrow at 10am. Mayor said about videos, it is not just about recruiting but also about retention and recruit those to replace the one we lose in the business community. It is really important and his theory is want everyone to know what he does about the city. Is a great place to live and work. We do have a lot of good things. Change is coming whether it is liked or not. Will be discussing planning and infrastructure in the coming months leading the state of the city address. Continue to help make the city a better place. Would like everyone to attend the Mayor's Prayer Breakfast if they can, is on the last Friday in February.

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

Submitted:



Melissa Honeycutt, City Clerk

Approved:


Greg Colvert, President Protempore

