

**MINUTES
GOSHEN CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
March 26, 2019**

1. CALL TO ORDER: Cathy Oliver, Mayor, called the special meeting of the Goshen City Council to order on March 26, 2019 at 6:30 p.m. at Goshen City Hall.

2. ROLL CALL AND DECLARATION OF QUORUM: Paula Anderson, Angie Driver, Bill Hewat, Colton Martin and John Vaillancourt were present, and a quorum was declared. Brian Hogue, Interim City Attorney, was also present. Birch Wright, Alderman, and Sharon Baggett, Recorder/Treasurer, were absent.

3. APPROVAL OF AGENDA: Bill Hewat made a motion, with a second by John Vaillancourt, to approve the agenda. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

4. CITY BUSINESS:

A. CAPITAL EXPENDITURE FOR NEW POLICE VEHICLE: Mike Ball, Police Chief, presented quotes from a state bid from Red River Dodge for a new 2019 Dodge Durango. After some discussion, a motion was made by Bill Hewat, with a second by John Vaillancourt, to approve the purchase of a 2019 Dodge Durango, AWD, V8, plus Fleet Safety upfit/graphics/radar for a total price of \$44,218.44. Public input was given regarding the motion that had been made. Bill Hewat then amended his motion to say that the cost of the vehicle will be approximately \$44,218.44. John Vaillancourt seconded the motion. There was no additional public comment. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

B. EXPENDITURE FOR EQUIPMENT FOR NEW POLICE OFFICER: Mike Ball presented a list of expenses for equipment for the new police officer. John Vaillancourt made a motion to approve the expenditures for the new officer as listed in the amount of approximately \$4,000. Paula Anderson seconded the motion. There was no public input. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

C. ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE 45 (ALLOCATION OF PUBLIC INPUT): Brian Hogue explained the purpose of this proposed ordinance. He then read the ordinance. Paula Anderson made a motion, with a second by John Vaillancourt, to waive the second and third readings of the ordinance. A voice vote was taken. All voted in favor and the motion carried. The public then made comments regarding putting a time limit on each individual providing input and the maximum total amount of time allowed for public input. After further discussion, a motion was made by John Vaillancourt, with a second by Angie Driver, to adopt the ordinance. A voice vote was taken. All voted in favor and the motion carried. A motion was made by Angie Driver, with a second by Paula Anderson, to enact the emergency clause. A voice vote was taken. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

D. ORDINANCE REQUIRING NOTIFICATION TO CITY COUNCIL REGARDING EMPLOYMENT CHANGES: Brian Hogue explained the purpose of the proposed ordinance. A motion was made by Angie Driver, with a second by Bill Hewat, to waive the second and third readings of the ordinance. A voice vote was taken. All voted in favor and the motion carried. Brian Hogue then read the ordinance. Public input was then allowed. John Vaillancourt made a motion, with a second by Bill Hewat, to approve the

ordinance. A voice vote was taken. All voted in favor and the motion carried. Bill Hewat made a motion, with a second by John Vaillancourt, to approve the emergency clause. A voice vote was taken. All voted in favor and the motion carried.

E. DISCUSSION REGARDING CITY HALL FACILITIES: Paula Anderson reported on the certificates of deposit that would be maturing in April, 2019. There was considerable discussion by the Council and the public regarding whether to cash in the CD's, for what purposes the proceeds could be used and what constituted a capital expense. Discussion then ensued regarding what type of facilities that would best suit the City's needs and whether to pursue remodeling the existing building, building a new building or a combination of both. There was also discussion regarding the feasibility of building on property currently owned by the City and adjacent to City Hall or purchasing additional property on which to build new facilities. It was recommended that it would be prudent to investigate the possibilities of purchasing property for this purpose. It was also recommended that the specific needs of the City should be defined and agreed upon before engaging an architect to assist with the plans to remodel or build a new building. The consensus of the Council was to move Council meetings to the Community Building in the meantime. Cathy Oliver stated that she, Sharon Baggett, Mike Ball and others in the office could meet to outline the needs for office space and bring suggestions back to the next Council meeting.

Russell Stroud reported that he had received two bids for street cleanup for Blue Springs, Wyman and Tuttle Roads. He stated that one of the estimates was from Shear Outdoor Services in the amount of \$5,600, and that their estimate included hauling off the stumps. He stated that the other bid was from Antonio's Tree Service in the amount of \$6,000, which did not include hauling off the stumps. Paula Anderson made a motion to approve the expenditure of \$5,600 to Shear Outdoor Services for clearing out debris from the ditches on rights-of-way of Blue Springs, Wyman and Tuttle Roads. Angie Driver seconded the motion. When asked, Russell Stroud stated that the bid included trimming a couple of trees that hung over the road that were low enough to touch vehicles. Russell Stroud stated that he planned to prepare a spreadsheet to maintain updated information on improvements and inspections to all city streets, bridges and culverts. Going back to the motion duly made and seconded regarding the bid for street cleanup, all voted in favor and the motion carried. There was then public input on the statement of qualifications from engineers for street projects.

Discussion then went back to improvements for City facilities and security of certain areas for the Police Department. Paula Anderson then summarized earlier discussions and the consensus of the Council for follow-up.

5. REPORTS/COMMENTS BY MAYOR, CITY COUNCIL, CITY ATTORNEY OR RECORDER/TREASURER:


There were no additional comments.

6. PUBLIC INPUT: There was no additional public input.

7. ADJOURNMENT: There being no further business, a motion was made by and seconded by to adjourn the meeting. All voted in favor and the meeting adjourned at 8:10 p.m.



Sharon Baggett
Recorder / Treasurer



Cathy Oliver
Mayor