

Council Minutes  
City of Gordon  
May 7, 2018

The Council of the City of Gordon held a meeting on Monday, May 7, 2018 at 7:30 p.m. at the Gordon City Hall located at 115 College Street. Members present were Mayor Kenneth Turner and Council Members Bruce Daniel, Freddie Densley, Terry Eady, Rose Lawrence, Phyllis Payne, and George Wynn.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Turner.

Mayor Turner welcomed all present and asked if anyone present would like to be on the agenda that was not already on the agenda. Hearing no response, the agenda remained as posted.

A motion was made by Council Member Payne and seconded by Councilman Densley to approve the April 16, 2018 Council Minutes as presented. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Council Member Lawrence and seconded by Councilman Wynn to approve the April 24, 2018 Work Shop Minutes as presented. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilman Eady and seconded by Council Member Lawrence to approve the latest Intergovernmental Agreement between the City of Gordon and the City of Ivey. (Copy of FIRST AMENDMENT TO INTERGOVERNMENTAL AGREEMENT attached.) Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

Johnathan Jackson was present and gave update on the sewage pre-treatment system being installed by Zschimmer & Schwarz at a cost of 2.5 million dollars to protect the City of Gordon's Treatment Plant.

Mayor Turner acknowledged Mayor of Ivey Brenda Broach and Glenn Kester, a candidate for District 1 County Commission seat.

Supt. Lawrence presented two quotes for a Chevrolet Silverado 1500. The quotes were as follows:

Hamby Automotive Network - \$37,665.00  
Five Star Chevrolet Cadillac Buick GMC - \$34,255.32

(Copy of quotes attached.)

A motion was made by Councilman Wynn and seconded by Councilman Eady to accept the bid from Five Star Chevrolet Cadillac Buick GMC for \$34,255.32. Voting for the motion were 6

ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

Supt. Lawrence stated when he gets this new vehicle then his old vehicle will be driven by Taylor Aviles. He also reported that Taylor is scheduled to take her wastewater test this Wednesday.

Supt. Lawrence presented a quote from Kenny's Repair Service, Inc. in the amount of \$7223.16 for a scag mower. (Copy of quote attached.) A motion was made by Councilman Densley and seconded by Council Member Payne to purchase the scag mower as presented. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nay. Motion carried.

Glen Kester introduced himself and gave background on himself and his move to Georgia and his candidacy for a county commissioner seat.

City Clerk Towana Brown presented her request to be paid for 180.45 hours worked in lieu of comp time due to extenuating circumstances over the last four years. (Copy of written request attached.) After discussion, a motion was made by Councilman Eady and seconded by Council Member Lawrence to pay Towana as requested and to amend the budget to include \$4588.84 in order to settle up with Towana. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

City Clerk thanked Council for the pay in lieu of comp time and expressed thanks for still having a job and that everything is now running smooth.

Mayor hopes to have a six month budget review soon and expressed the need to have a Work Shop on meter reading soon.

Councilman Eady gave update on several options the city has explored concerning automated meter reading systems. He also felt that a Work Shop needs to be held so that some of these company's can come in and give presentations and dollar amounts on different options for automated meter reading systems.

Changing out meters throughout the city was discussed. Councilman Wynn reported that a few were changed out before he retired, but all the meters need to be changed.

Mayor reported on a call he received from the state department asking Gordon and Ivey to host, for a day, ten mayor's from small towns in China. Representative Epps will accompany the group. Hearing no opposition from Council, this event will take place on May 21<sup>st</sup>.

Mayor reported that Graves is evaluating the city's two wells to see what needs to be done to check the pumping rate.

Chief Hall reported that the grant for the bullet proof vests was approved and explained how this would work. He also reported on problems experienced with the new body cams. These body cams are to be replaced with LE5 Lights which are cheaper, therefore the city will be getting a few thousand dollars back due to cost differences between the two cameras.

Water samples were discussed. Supt. Lawrence reported that there is a set of samples at the lab now but it will probably be a couple of weeks before we get the results from those samples because other cities are submitting their samples at the same time.

Supt. Lawrence reported that the County is letting the city borrow a dump truck on Thursday in order to get asphalt to finish patching potholes, etc.

Council Member Lawrence expressed concern over trash not being picked up before grass is mowed in the area past Texaco and before you get on Hwy. 18, the steep hill. After discussion, it was determined that the state cuts that area.

Attorney Green stated that the Gordon Development Authority is not operating anymore, but it is still showing active through the Secretary of States Office. After discussion, hearing no opposition, Attorney Green to do the necessary documents to dissolve the Gordon Development Authority. Any and all records pertaining to the Gordon Development Authority to be turned over to Attorney Green to be dissolved.

Roy Mixon, representing Main Street Gordon, reported that a plaque presentation was held on April 27, 2018 with about 50 people in attendance and it was enjoyed by all. He also reported that the Fall Line Festival will be held on October 12 & 13. Approximately \$5000.00 in donations have been pledged for the festival, if it is held as planned. Another \$1000.00 in donations have already been received. He expressed concern over no electricity at the stage area. Electricity is needed for the band.

Council Member Lawrence inquired as to who was going to repair the stage.

Chris Martin has volunteered to repair the stage at MLK Park.

Electrical issues at MLK Park were discussed.

Councilman Eady informed the Council that Lonza Adams, Phil Adams daddy passed away this morning and that Dupree Blankenship has had a mini stroke. He also gave update on Glen Bevins who is still in the hospital and asked for prayer for all these families.

Council Member Lawrence said that retired school teacher Annie Todd passed away yesterday morning.

Having no further business to discuss, a motion was made by Council Member Payne and seconded by Councilman Wynn to adjourn at 8:07 p.m. Voting for the motion were 6 ayes and 0 nays. Motion carried.

May 21, 2018  
Approved & Adopted

Kenneth L. Turner  
Mayor

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City Clerk