

**MINUTES  
CITY OF GAINESVILLE  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
200 South Rusk  
Gainesville, Texas 76240  
May 15, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on May 15, 2018 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Jim Goldsworthy, Keith Clegg, Carolyn Hendricks, Steve Gordon, Mary Jo Dollar, Tommy Moore

**MEMBERS ABSENT:** Ken Keeler

**STAFF PRESENT:** Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Bill Harris, City Attorney; Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary; Kevin Phillips, Chief of Police; J. I. Johnson, Finance Director; Chris Cypert, Municipal Court Judge; Arleene Loyd, Gainesville Economic Development Director; Ron Sellman, Public Works Director

**OTHERS PRESENT:** Tony Smith, Michael Mendoza, Mike Gordon, Dolores Hennesy, Erica Garcia, Jonathon Munoz, Dee Robinson, Jeff Barger, Jill Buckner, Debbie Faulkner, Dean Smith, Rod Tyler, Megan Gray-Hatfield, Nikki King, Daniel Thompson, Joel McLain, Tony Dresser (Videographer)

**CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Jim Goldsworthy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

City Manager Barry Sullivan gave the invocation. Mayor Jim Goldsworthy led the pledge to the flag.

**OATH OF OFFICE TO NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS**

Cooke County Court at Law Judge John Morris administered the Oath of Office to newly elected City officials: Keith Clegg, Councilmember Ward 3; Tommy Moore, Councilmember Ward 5; and Mary Jo Dollar, Councilmember Ward 6; Chris Cypert, Municipal Court Judge. Mayor Goldsworthy thanked Judge Morris for taking the time to administer the oaths, and further thanked the Council members and Judge Cypert for their dedicated service to the community.

**ELECTION OF MAYOR PRO TEM**

Mayor Goldsworthy called for nominations for Mayor Pro Tem for the next Council year, May 2017 to May 2018. Councilmember Moore nominated Keith Clegg for Mayor Pro Tem, and Councilmember Gordon seconded the nomination. Nominations ceased and Mayor Pro Tem was elected by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Keeler).

**PROCLAMATIONS & COMMENDATIONS**

**Employee of the Month, May 2018**

Michael Mendoza was awarded Employee of the Month for May 2018 in recognition and appreciation for continued dedication to the citizens of Gainesville. In February, Michael was promoted to Crew Leader. Even though Michael has received on the job training, most of his training has been self-taught. The City of Gainesville has received several calls about how he is a

nice, well-mannered employee and how he goes beyond his normal duties to help the citizens. Michael is always willing to help wherever he is needed. His positive attitude and great work ethic is a huge asset to the City of Gainesville and a great example for all of our employees. City Manager Barry Sullivan read and presented the recognition certificate to Mendoza along with a certificate for an additional one day of vacation. Mayor Goldsworthy commended Mendoza for being a quality employee.

### **Manufacturing Spotlight, Zodiac Seats US, LLC**

The Gainesville Economic Development Corporation recently launched their Manufacturing Matters Program, where they focus on manufacturing businesses located in Gainesville. Zodiac Seats US, LLC is the third business to be “spotlighted.” Mayor Goldsworthy read and presented a proclamation noting Zodiac’s long history in the city of Gainesville and their status as the premier manufacturer of airline seats. Zodiac is Gainesville’s largest employer with more than 1,000 employees. Zodiac employees were commended for their participation in the ZSUS Community Involvement Program, where a portion of their income is donated to area charitable organizations. Mayor Goldsworthy thanked Zodiac for their contribution to the community.

### **Mental Health Month, May 2018**

Mayor Goldsworthy read and presented a proclamation naming May 2018 as Mental Health Month in Gainesville. The proclamation promoted the importance of accessible and quality treatment of mental illness and the recognition of Texoma Community Center as the Mental Health Authority for the Texoma Region. Citizens were urged to take steps to learn about mental health and get involved in the local dialogue and collaborations happening here in the Texoma community around mental health issues.

## **REPORTS**

### **Texoma Community Center Report, Daniel Thompson, CEO**

Mr. Thompson reported on recent legislation and the financial impacts to agencies like Texoma Community Center, formerly MHMR. Texoma Community Center has also worked with local agency Abigail’s Arms. Thompson provided statistics such as patient intakes and hours spent for the Gainesville locations, where patient numbers have increased by an average of ten per month. He discussed jail diversion efforts and competency hearings. He concluded by indicating the center was looking for a permanent residence in Gainesville as they currently lease two locations and asked City Council members to call with compliments or complaints.

## **CONSENT AGENDA**

Council reviewed the Minutes of the City Council regularly scheduled City Council Meeting of May 1, 2018 and approved them as written.

Councilmember Dollar **moved to approve the consent agenda**, seconded by Councilmember Moore, the motion carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Keeler).

## **RESOLUTION 05-15-2018 – PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL COMPENSATION FOR THE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE.**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS PROVIDING FOR ANNUAL COMPENSATION FOR THE MUNICIPAL COURT JUDGE OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH ARTICLE IV, SECTION 4.05, OF THE CHARTER OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS.

Council approved a six (6%) percent increase in annual compensation for the Municipal Court Judge. Under the City Charter, the City Council sets the compensation for the Municipal Judge,

which is an elected position. Chris Cypert has served as Municipal Court Judge since being elected to the position in 2001. Mayor Goldsworthy thanked Cypert for his outstanding performance for the past 17 years in his position.

Councilmember Clegg **moved to approve the resolution with a six percent increase and retroactive pay to May 5, 2018.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Dollar and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Keeler).

**RESOLUTION 05-15-2018 A – AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH PATRICIA ADAMS FOR MUNICIPAL COURT ATTORNEY SERVICES.**

CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO EXECUTE AN AGREEMENT WITH PATRICIA ADAMS FOR MUNICIPAL COURT ATTORNEY SERVICES.

Council approved renewal of the contract with Patricia Adams for Municipal Court Attorney services. Sullivan said the prosecutor contract is \$1,000 per month for two years and is set up to run concurrently with the Municipal Judge’s elected term. Municipal Court Judge Chris Cypert added that in the twelve years Adams has contracted with the City, she has never increased her rates.

Councilmember Gordon **moved to approve the resolution.** The motion was seconded by Councilmember Moore and carried by vote of 6 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, 1 Absent (Keeler).

**ADJOURN**

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

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**Caitlyn Huddleston, City Secretary**

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**Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor**