

**City of Temple  
Monthly Council Meeting  
June 1, 2015  
Temple City Hall**

**Council Members present constituting a quorum:**

Lester Harmon, Mayor  
Penny Ransom  
Howard Walden  
Hiley Miller  
William Simmons

**Council Members absent:**

Richard Bracknell

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Harmon.

**Invocation:**

The invocation was given by Mayor Harmon.

**Minutes:**

1. May 4, 2015: Motion to approve made by Council Member Simmons, second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0.
2. May 11, 2015: Motion to approve made by Council Member Simmons, second by Council Member Miller. Vote 4-0.

**Old Business:**

None.

**New Business:**

1. Hire Sarah Hefty for City Clerk/Finance Director: A motion to approve was made by Council Member Simmons with a second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0. Motion to approve the annual salary of \$55,400 by Council Member Miller with a second by Council Member Simmons. Council Member Miller stated that we need to include this with budget amendments. Vote 4-0.
2. Buckley Brown, PC Invoice: Invoice received from Buckley Brown, PC for legal work regarding a harassment complaint. The total invoice due is \$16,062.56. After some discussion, a motion to table the item until clarification can be received was made by

Council Member Miller with a second by Council Member Simmons. Vote 3-0. Council Member Ransom abstained.

3. Approve Costs to Move to New City Hall: Two quotes were received to set up phones and computers at the new City Hall. After some discussion, a motion to approve the quote from Allteck for \$560 was made by Council Member Simmons with a second by Council Member Miller. Vote 4-0. One quote was received for carpentry work to be done at the new City Hall. A motion to approve the quote from Mr. Harrison for \$800 was made by Council Member Simmons with a second by Council Member Miller. Vote 4-0.
4. Commercial Sewer Rates need to be Reviewed: Mr. Crawford recommended contacting the Rural Water Association about a rate review. After some discussion, there was no action taken.
5. Declare Bank Deposit Boxes Surplus and sell on GovBids: After some discussion, a motion to declare the safety deposit boxes surplus was made by Council Member Walden with a second by Council Member Simmons. Vote 4-0.
6. Discuss Purchase of Tractor with Mower Attachment: Mr. Crawford presented various quotes for used tractors. He recommended looking into the price of new tractors with a financing option. After some discussion, there was no action taken.
7. Waste Industries, Service Concerns: Mr. Walden presented some concerns regarding trash containers for new customers. After some discussion, no action was taken.

#### **Department Heads:**

Sandra Stillwell announced that two grants had been received for the Senior Center. One is \$2,700.00 (the second half of the original \$5,400.00 grant from Trinka Davis). The other is \$500 from Power-of-Purse. Both grants originated from the Community Foundation of West Georgia.

Chief Thorn requested that the safety deposit boxes be removed. Secondly, he requested that he be able to donate uniform pants that are no longer in use. A motion to approve Chief's requests was made by Council Member Miller with a second by Council Member Simmons. Vote 4-0.

Major Lee informed the Council that communications had been running smoothly at the new police department. He noted that the bars had been installed at the police department for less than \$500, and the temporary sign had been hung as well.

Mayor Harmon referenced Tommy Freeman's resignation. Tommy stated that he would be here for 30 more days.

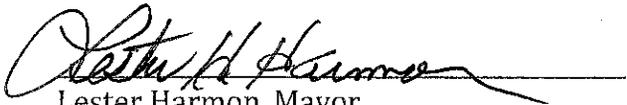
#### **Council Comments:**

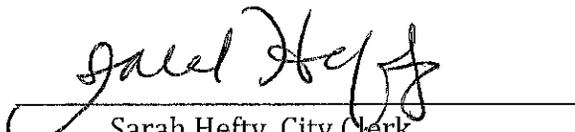
Council Member Simmons asked if any money had been allocated for Body Cameras for the Police Department. Mayor Harmon responded that Mr. Crawford has recommended that

we need to do the amendments for the 2014 budget and then revamp the 2015 before an allocation can be considered.

**Adjournment:**

There being no further business to discuss the meeting was adjourned on a motion by Council Member Simmons with a second by Council Member Walden. Vote 4-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:15 PM.

  
Lester Harmon, Mayor

  
Sarah Hefty, City Clerk