

## City of Butler

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Council:  
Edward Guinn  
Mayor, Pro-Tem,  
Chas Gasset  
Glenn Harris  
Amanzie Jenkins  
Deborah Williams

## October 8, 2019 Council Meeting 7:00 PM

### **Present:**

Mayor Barry Whitley  
Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn  
Councilperson Deborah Williams  
Councilman Lance Bernard  
Councilperson Glenn Harris  
Councilperson Amanzie Jenkins  
Vicki Wainwright  
Joel Sherlock

### **Media Present:**

Taylor Co News

**INVOCATION:** Mayor Barry Whitley

**OPENING STATEMENT:** City Clerk Vicki Wainwright

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Approval of September 10, 2019 Regular Meeting:** A motion to approve the minutes of the September 10<sup>th</sup>, 2019 Council Meetings was made by Councilman Amanzie Jenkins and a second was made by Councilman Lance Bernard. The vote was unanimous.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**CDBG 2019 Engineering Contract:** Public Works Director David Windham asked the Mayor and Council to approve the Engineering Contract from Carter and Sloope for the 2019 CDBG. A

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motion to accept the engineering contract was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn and a second was made by Councilman Glenn Harris. The vote was unanimous.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading and Adoption of Abandoned Vehicle Ordinance:** Attorney Joel Sherlock asked if the Council wanted to waive the reading, as there were very few changes from the first reading, mostly punctuation and the noise section had been removed at Councilwoman William's request. Councilwoman William's addressed some concern for the 72 hour time-frame to remove the vehicle (Section 34-055) because she said that some of her constituents may not be able to fix their vehicles in that time. Attorney Sherlock said that there is some discretion involved from the officer that would address that. A vehicle that is your every day vehicle that you depend on to get to work and has mechanical issues will not be sitting there for months and be considered an abandoned vehicle. After some discussion a motion to adopt the Abandoned Vehicle Ordinance as is was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn and a second was made by Councilman Glenn Harris. The vote was unanimous.

**Taylor County Recreation Department:** Dane Smith, a representative with the Recreation Board, came before the Council to give updates on the activities going on at the Recreation Department. The Council informed him that any in-kind help that the City can offer, they would be glad to help the Recreation Department.

**Library and Fire Department Repairs: SPLOST:** Public Works Director David Windham informed the Mayor and Council that repairs are needed at the Butler Public Library to re-do the bathrooms, and that there are necessary repairs needed at the Butler Fire Department. He asked to be able to pay for those repairs with SPLOST funds. A motion was made by Councilwoman Deborah Williams to pay for the Library repairs and the Fire Department repairs with SPLOST funds, and a second was made by Councilman Lance Bernard. The vote was unanimous.

**DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:**

**Public Works Director David Windham** said that the 2017 CDBG work is still going on and that things have slowed down due to the ground being so dry. He also said that the City is excited to begin work on the 2019 CDBG in the next year.

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He reminded the Council that the Office would be closed on October 14<sup>th</sup> due to the Columbus Day Holiday.

December 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2019 will be the City of Butler's Annual Christmas Tree Lighting on the Courthouse Square and invited everyone to attend and support this event. This event will be at 6:30 PM.

**Fire Coordinator Eddie Moulton** reported that the Butler Fire Department responded to 26 calls last month. Those calls included 1 unknown trouble call, 3 vehicle fires, 4 vehicle accidents, 2 structure fires, 11 wildland fires, 2 calls cancelled en-route, 1 vehicle extrication, and 2 assist EMS calls. He also said that their annual pump tests are scheduled for November 8<sup>th</sup> and 9<sup>th</sup>.

**ADJOURN:**

With no other issues to discuss, a motion to adjourn from the Council Meeting was made by Councilman Amanzie Jenkins and a second was made by Councilman Lance Bernard. A short work session will follow the Council Meeting. The vote was unanimous, and the meeting was adjourned.

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Mayor Whitley

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