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COUNCIL:

January 9, 2024 Council Meeting @6:00 PM Council Chambers

PRESENT

MEDIA PRESENT TC NEWS

Mayor Barry Whitley Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn Councilperson Jacob Hopkins Councilperson Glenn Harris Councilperson Deborah Williams Councilperson Rodrick Flowers

INVOCATION: Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn

OPENING STATEMENT: Vicki Wainwright

OLD BUSINESS:

Approval of the December 12th, 2023 Regular Council Meeting & Work Session Minutes:

A motion to accept and approve the minutes of the December 12, 2023 Regular Council Meeting & Work Session Minutes was made by Councilmember Glenn Harris and a second was made by Councilmember Rodrick Flowers. The vote was unanimous.

NEW BUSINESS:

Oath of Office: Judge Dianne Renfroe gave the Oath of Office to Mayor Barry Whitley, Councilperson Deborah Williams and Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn to begin their terms of office.

February 2024 Council Meeting Re-Scheduled:

City Clerk Vicki Wainwright requested that the already scheduled February 13th Council Meeting be rescheduled to be held on Thursday, February 15th. She said that the Taylor County Chamber will hold their Annual Chamber Dinner on the 13th, and feels that the City of Butler should attend that in support of the Chamber. A motion to change the date of the February meeting was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn and seconded by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins. The motion was unanimous.

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2024 Appointments: Mayor Barry Whitley read the 2024 Appointments:

Mayor Pro-Tem Municipal Court Judge City Attorney Auditor Election Superintendent Fire Chief Police Chief City Clerk/City Administrator Public Works Director Fire Coordinator Ed Guinn Wayne Jernigan James Bates Brannan Groover LLP Mauldin & Jenkins Vicki Wainwright David Windham Matthew Woodard Vicki Wainwright David Windham Eddie Moulton

Councilperson Glenn Harris made a motion to approve, Councilperson Deborah Williams seconded the motion. The vote was unanimous.

2024 Department Oversight Appointments

Water/Wastewater	
Chair	
Co-Chair	
Public Safety	
Chair	
Co-Chair	
Streets	
Chair	
Co-Chair	
Administrative	
Chair	
Co-Chair	
Buildings/Property	
Chair	
Co-Chair	

Deborah Williams Ed Guinn Ed Guinn Jacob Hopkins Jacob Hopkins Glenn Harris

Rodrick Flowers Deborah Williams

Glenn Harris Rodrick Flowers



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Appointments (Continued)

Interview Committee Deborah William Jacob Hopkins **Department Head

A motion to approve the Oversight Appointments for 2024 was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn and a second was made by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins. The vote was unanimous.

Adoption of Amended Alcohol Ordinance:

The current alcohol ordinance has been amended to reflect the referendums that passed in the election of November 2023. Those include:

- 1. Retail consumption dealer of distilled spirits for pouring on premises.
- 2. Retail consumption dealer of alcoholic beverages for pouring on premises, including malt beverages, wine, and distilled spirits.
- 3. Sunday sale retail consumption
- 4. Sunday sale retail package dealer

A motion to adopt the amendments of the alcohol license to reflect the changes was made by Councilperson Rodrick Flowers, and a second was made by Councilperson Deborah Williams. The vote was unanimous.

Event Ordinance Resolution:

A Special Events and Gathering Ordinance has been proposed to the City Council. This ordinance was proposed with the intent to ensure that the City of Butler has adequate advance notice of special events for planning, recouping costs of city services, and to promote and encourage events for the greater good and diversity of the City of Butler. This ordinance is to help conserve and allocate resources, both in terms of personnel and of the natural areas and infrastructure, and to adequately protect public safety and the safety, health and welfare of event participants, neighboring property owners, residents and businesses, and to regulate the use of the city's parks and streets by those desiring to hold special events on public property, and to regulate large special events on private property. A motion to adopt the Event Ordinance resolution and ordinance was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn and seconded by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins. The vote was unanimous.



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Mobile Food Vendor Ordinance: A ordinance to address food trucks has been requested amid concerns from brick and mortar businesses within Butler. The City of Butler finds that allowing food truck vendors to set up inside the city limits is in the best interest of the city of Butler and its citizens, however some guidelines need to be in place. Most notably, an annual Mobile Food Permit Vendor Permit is required and the current cost of that will be \$150.00. Each permit application must include the following: Name of mobile food vendor; make, model and license plate of vending vehicle; owners contact information; operators contact information; proof of insurance; copy of approved permit from health department; list of operating locations and times; signatures from property owners indicating consent for the use of their property if applicable; signature of applicant indicating agreement of the listed requirements. Mobile food truck vendors cannot operate between the hours of 10:00 PM and 7:00 AM. Also, at the end of each day the mobile vendor shall remove the mobile food vendor vehicle and all associated materials from the premises.

A motion to adopt the Mobile Food Vendor Ordinance was made by Councilperson Glenn Harris and a second was made by Councilperson Deborah Williams. The vote was unanimous.

DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS

Public Works Director David Windham informed the Mayor and Council that a change order for the project on Venus/Gloria Street area is in the process of being completed and that paving for that area should begin within the next month. He reminded the Mayor and Council that the offices of the City of Butler will be closed on Monday, January 15th in observance of Martin Luther King Jr. Day.

Chief of Police Matthew Woodard gave the Council a report that shows the calls from December. 131 citations were issued during that timeframe. He also informed the Mayor and Council that he will be away from the office in February for one week on orders from the military. Officer Parker will be in charge during that time.

Fire Coordinator Eddie Moulton stated that the Butler Fire Department responded to 13 calls in December. Those calls were one (1) person shot, one (1) traffic accident with entrapment, five (5) traffic accidents with injuries, one (1) roadblocked with obstruction call, one (1)



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structure fire, one (1) machine fire, one (1) illegal or controlled burn, and one (1) fall over six feet. He also said that the Butler Fire Department will have a Fire Fighter Class starting in on January 23^{rd} and will last about four months.

ADJOURN

With no further issues to discuss a motion was made by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins to adjourn the meeting. A second was issued by Councilperson Glenn Harris. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Barry Whitley

ATTEST

