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**May 13, 2025**  
**Council Meeting @6:00 PM**  
**Council Chambers**  
***\*Work Session to immediately Follow\****

**PRESENT**

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

**MEDIA PRESENT**

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**INVOCATION:** Mayor Barry Whitley

**OPENING STATEMENT:** Vicki Wainwright

**OLD BUSINESS:**

**Approval of the April 8, 2025 Regular Council Meeting Minutes:**

A motion was made to approve the April 8th Regular Council Meeting Minutes was made by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins and seconded by Councilperson Rodrick Flowers. The vote was unanimous.

**NEW BUSINESS:**

**Library Board Appointment:**

City Clerk Vicki Wainwright informed the Council that the seat held on the Library Board that is currently held by Lisa Beavers would be open and she would like a motion to appoint Gay Taunton to fill the position. The term would be from July 1, 2025, through June 30, 2028. A motion to appoint Gay Taunton to the Taylor County Library Board of Trustees was made by



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**FLOCK Camera System:** This agenda item will be discussed in the work session to immediately follow regular meeting.

## **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS**

**Chief of Police Matthew Woodard** said that the report from last month is in the binder.

Chief Woodard asked the Mayor and Council to increase the Technology Fee that is added to the state citations from \$15.00 per ticket to \$25.00 per citation. He also asked to add the Technology Fee to the City Ordinance Citations, as there is currently no Technology Fee on those citations.

Attorney Jack Nichols recommended that an Ordinance be created to cover adding the Technology Fee to City Ordinance Citations before implementing the fee.

A motion to increase the State Citations Technology fee from \$15.00 per citation to \$25.00 per citation was made by Mayor Pro-Tem, Ed Guinn and a second was made by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins. The vote was unanimous.

Mayor Pro-Tem Ed Guinn asked about the Blitz that the Police Department held last month and said that he has seen many vehicles without lights or proper equipment to operate. He wants to make sure that those people are stopped as well. He stated that if we are going to do this zero tolerance Blitz, we need to be fair and do it to everyone.

Councilperson Deborah Williams inquired about ATVS, Side x Sides and Golf Carts traveling on the roads. Chief Woodard stated that as long as they are street legal with lights, etc. they can operate on City and County roads, but they are not allowed on State Highways.



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**Public Works Director David Windham** reminded the Mayor and Council that the City's offices will be closed on May 26<sup>th</sup> for the Memorial Day Holiday. Garbage pick-up for that week will be on Saturday, May 31<sup>st</sup>. He said that the city would put a notice regarding this in the paper.

He said that the sidewalk project is moving slowly, as there have been some kinks in the job, but those have been resolved. He said they are running into unforeseen issues was expected.

He informed them that it has been reported that there are some erosion issues in the Venus/Bell Street areas that the City is aware of. He said that there has been trouble trying to get grass established in this area, but the city is trying.

**Fire Coordinator Brandon Maddox** said that the Butler Fire Department ran 24 calls last month. Those calls were one person stabbed, one person shot, four traffic accidents with entrapment, seven accidents with injuries, three structure fires, one vehicle fire, one wildland fire, one pursuit in progress, one trouble unknown, one fire alarm, one gas leak, one sick person, and one service call.

**ADJOURN**

With nothing further to discuss, a motion was made by Councilperson Jacob Hopkins to adjourn and a second was made by Councilperson Deborah Williams. The vote was unanimous.

*\*Work Session to Immediately Follow\**

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ATTEST

