

MINUTES  
COUNCIL MEETING  
CITY OF COLEMAN  
CITY HALL  
THURSDAY, May 14, 2015  
6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Pro Tem Gary Payne, Councilman Johnny Needham, Councilman Danny Jameson, City Manager Paul Catoe, City Attorney Pat Chesser and City Secretary Karen Langley.

ABSENT: Mayor Kay Joffrion

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Pro Tem Gary Payne

INVOCATION: Mayor Pro Tem Gary Payne

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME OF VISITORS AND GUESTS: Mayor Pro Tem Gary Payne

HEARING OF VISITORS CONCERNING MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

Jody Payne – Thanked the old council members and the new council member for the willing to serve, and spoke of concerns at meetings.

Jeannie Moss – Welcomed and congratulated the new council members and read a part of Ms. Merriman's statement in paper encouraging everyone to work together to make Coleman a place everyone wants to be.

Nancy Emmert read a statement by Eric Joffrion concerning openness by citizen involvement.

Ross Jones – encourage the Council to follow through on the track they have started.

LeMoine Knox – commented rules are very important and agrees with what we are trying to do. And congratulate those who were elected.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions to approve the Canvass of the City Officers Election conducted on May 9, 2015 and the Special Election to fill the vacancy in the North Ward which was also conducted on May 9, 2015 – Mayor Kay Joffrion and City Secretary Karen Langley. City Secretary Langley read the results of the recent elections. There were seven provisional vote with one counting.

Mayor Nick Poldrack – 878

Councilmember Place 2, West Ward – Carolyn Merriman – 534

Jeannie Moss – 445

Councilmember Place 3, East Ward – Gary Payne – 803

Councilmember Place 1, North Ward – Gordon Jeter – 730

A motion was made by Councilman Jameson to approve the canvass of the election. Councilman Needham seconded the motion. The motion carried 2-0.

2. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions authorizing the City Secretary Karen Langley to swear in the newly elected member of the City Council – Mayor Kay Joffrion and City Secretary Karen Langley. City Secretary Langley sworn in the newly elected officials.
3. The newly elected City Officers shall assume their seats on the City Council.
4. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions to appoint the Mayor Pro Tem for the next one year period as per Section 2.08 of the City Charter – Nick Poldrack, Mayor, City of Coleman. A motion was made by Councilwoman Merriman to re-appoint Gary Payne as Mayor Pro Tem. Councilman Jeter seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
5. The City Council may consider, discuss, and or take actions to appoint City Attorney, Pat Chesser for a two year term to run concurrent with the term of the Mayor as per Section 2.10 of the City Charter – Nick Poldrack, Mayor, City of Coleman. A motion was made by Councilman Jameson to re-appoint Attorney, Pat Chesser for a two year term. Councilwoman Merriman seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
6. The City Council may consider, discuss, and or take action to appoint Robert J. Nash as the Municipal Court Judge and Karen Langley as the Alternate Judge with 2 year terms to run concurrent with that of the Mayor as per Section 6.02 of the City Charter – Nick Poldrack, Mayor of the City of Coleman and Pat Chesser, City Attorney. A motion was

made by Mayor Pro Tem Payne to re-appoint Robert J. Nash as the Municipal Court Judge and Karen Langley as the Alternate Judge with 2 year terms. Councilman Jeter seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

7. The City Council may consider, discuss, and or take actions to approve of a Resolution to adopt revised rules and procedures for the conduct of City Council Meetings as authorized by Section 2.12 of the City Charter – Nick Poldrack, Mayor of the City of Coleman and Pat Chesser, City Attorney. A motion was made by Councilman Jameson to approve Resolution 15-04 to adopt revised rules and procedures for the conduct of City Council Meetings. Mayor Pro Tem Payne seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

STAFF COMMENTS:

None

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

Welcoming remarks regarding newly elected City Officials – Nick Poldrack, Mayor, City of Coleman. Each of the Councilmembers commented they appreciated the citizen vote of confidence and they will do their bests for the citizens and the City of Coleman.

With no further business a motion was made by Councilwoman Merriman to adjourn the meeting at 6:35 p.m. Councilman Jameson seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

  
MAYOR

  
CITY SECRETARY