

City Council Meeting Minutes

Wednesday, November 13th, 2024

ELECTED OFFICIALS PRESENT:		CITY STAFF MEMBERS PRESENT:		GUESTS PRESENT:
X	Jeremy Blackwill, Mayor/Office Manager	X	Daryl Havlas, City Administrator	Nickole Byers
Х	Sue Machen, Council President	Х	Marissa Haffner, City Clerk/Court Clerk/ AP/Utility Billing	Jim Powers
Χ	Kirk Zerr, Council Member via phone	X	Kelly Rummel, City Marshal	
Χ	Dan Chupp, Council Member	Х	Eric Rucker, Parks & Rec Director	
	Matt Havlas, Council Member			
Χ	Giovani Caasi, Council Member			

OPENING

Call to Order: The meeting began at 7:00PM call to order by Blackwill.

AGENDA MOTION: Machen to Chupp to approve the amended agenda. Motion carried 4-0.

MINUTES

Minutes Approval - October 28th

MOTION: Machen to Caasi to approve the presented October 28th minutes. Motion carries 3-0. Zerr abstained.

GUESTS

Jim Powers - Consideration of Storage Containers in the Business District

Consensus to allow – must bring in building permit

DEPARTMENTS

Mayor - Jeremy Blackwill

Presented the drafted budget report.

Rec - Eric Rucker

Presented a draft itinerary of activities and events for the 2025 Quinter High School All School Reunion.
Consensus of \$6000.00 to be allocated out of the 2025 budget for inflatables and prizes.

OLD BUSINESS

Sponsorship of 2025 QHS All School Reunion

Covered in Rec department report

Eric Rucker & Kelly Rummel left the meeting at 7:32PM.

NEW BUSINESS

City Expenses

Motion: Zerr moves Chupp seconds to approve checks 011767-011790 along with the automatic payments. Motion carries 4-0.

Jim Powers left the meeting at 7:38PM.

Consider Sponsorship of the Main Street Media (Gove County Advocate) Coloring Book

MOTION: Machen to Zerr to approve sponsoring \$75.00 for Main Street Media's Christmas Coloring book. Motion carries 4-0.

Insurance Review

• Kirk Zerr started the conversation about the recent claims that were alleged against the City of Quinter. Council began discussing and wished to have it on the record, that though the city had to pay a deductible of \$1,500 to retain legal representation from EMC Insurance, the council did not approve and strongly opposed EMC's decision of a settlement payout for the alleged claims. Council further discussed ideas on what steps to take to protect the city in the future, Zerr's suggestion was transitioning to an insurance company who will fight lawsuits.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

MOTION: Machen to Chupp to move into Executive Session for 10 minutes at 8:14PM to discuss non-elected personnel. Motion carries 4-0.





Nickole Byers left the meeting at 8:14PM. Marissa Haffner left the meeting at 8:15PM.

Out of Executive Session at 8:24PM no motions made.

ADJOURNMENT

MOTION: There being no further business, Chupp moves Caasi seconds to adjourn the meeting at 8:24PM. Motion carries 4-0.

ATTEST:

Jeremy Blackwill, Mayor

Marissa Haffner, City Clerk

SEAL:

