**THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GARRETT, TEXAS**

**Special Meeting**

**October 22, 2015**

**7:00 p.m.**

**Council Chambers**

**208 N. Ferris Street, Garrett Texas, 75119**

**MINUTES**

1. Call special City Council meeting to order. Roll Call.

**Diane Jasso (present) Michelle Rogers (present)**

**Cynthia Martinez (present) Jami Rogers (present)**

**Matt Newsom (present) Dan Cepak (present)**

1. Determination of Quorum. Invocation, Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Announcements

**No announcements**

City Council Announcements

**Councilman Jami Rogers asked fellow council members to please notify us prior to meetings if they will be unable to attend.**

Public Comments

**No public present**

1. Motion to approve Minutes of previous September meetings.

**First: Jami Rogers Second: Cynthia Martinez All were in favor.**

1. **Departmental Reports**

Police Report: Activity for month of September 2015

**Chief Nelson spoke about spending the grant money awarded to police department on new radios and body cams. He also told the council of the new badges purchased by the officers. Chief Nelson presented the new reserve officer Jacob Houston’s resume to the council. Training requirements for new officers were discussed. Chief Nelson stated there were new training procedures for officers fresh out of the academy.**

Fire Report: Activity for month of September 2015

**The attorney, Larry Jackson is reviewing and counseling with Garrett Rural’s Fire Chief Randy concerning the ordinance GRVFD requested to have signed.**

Court Report: Activity for month of September 2015

**Mayor Newsom told the City Council that court clerk Joni Braddock would be paid for a full week while she was away at Court Clerk School. The council was in agreement.**

Public Works: Activity for month of September 2015

**Don Lewis reported that ditch projects have been going for about two weeks. There has been a few issues and resident complaints.**

Administrative Report: Financials:

**No comments**

1. Consider and take action pass a resolution Adopting the “Ellis County Hazard Mitigation Action Plan, October 2015”

**First: Diane Jasso Second: Jami Rogers All were in favor**

1. Mayor’s Monarch Pledge presentation

Councilman Jami Rogers briefly gave a review on the presentation she had given concerning the butterflies the previous week.

1. Motion to move into an Executive Section pursuant to (Section 551.074 of the Open Meetings Act, regarding Personnel Matters), to wit: “to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal” of the following city employee:  Chief Chad Nelson, Chief of Police.

**First: Diane Jasso Second: Cynthia Martinez All were in favor**

**Motion to Close Executive Section: First: Diane Jasso Second: Cynthia Martinez All were in favor**

1. Motion to move back into regular City Council Session.

**First: Diane Jasso Second: Dan Cepak All were in favor**

1. Adjournment

First: Jami Rogers Second: Dan Cepak All were in favor