



Town council meeting May 5, 2025

Present: Mayor Chris Lelle; Councilmen, Tommy Buchanan, Sharon Johnson, Eric Dailey Doug Koestel and Sally Brown, Clerk, Kathy Bridges, Attorney, Jack Samuels

Visitors: Beth Buchanan; Angela Yarman

The meeting opened at 7:04 with the Pledge of Allegiance.

The Mayor asked for a motion to approve the April 28 meeting minutes. Tommy Buchanan made the motion to approve, Sally Brown seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Sally Brown made a motion to add a standing item for the business meetings: a review of the financials. Eric Dailey seconded the motion, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

The Mayor said he was not able to meet with CPL about the estimate for road work bid preparation.

The council discussed credit card processing through GovCard. Eric Dailey said the process has to be PCI compliant (payment card industry data security standard). A report must be filed yearly. Sharon Johnson made the motion to allow the Mayor to authorize an agreement with GovCard for a 1-year contract with a 30-day opt out. Doug Koestel seconded the motion, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Sally Brown gave an update on the Welcome to Bethlehem signs. She said Select Signs was doing the estimate since Paul Inneken was trying to retire. She suggested the 316 signs be 4 x 5 feet set in brick and the smaller signs would be 17x 20 inches. She was getting prices on raised and flat lettering for a white background wooden sign.

The Mayor pointed out that the next work meeting would fall on Memorial Day. Sally Brown made the motion to discuss the calendar; Eric Dailey seconded, and the motion passed by unanimous vote.

Doug Koestel said he would like to skip the work session and meet on June 2 for the regular meeting. Everyone agreed. Sharon Johnson said she would be absent from the July meeting.

The meeting ended at 7:40.