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**City Clerk Renette Yancey**

**Council Members**  
**P1 - Dean Freese**  
**P2 – Eddie Sheppard**  
**P3 - William Malcom**  
**P4 - Joshua Jameson**  
**P5 - David Mullis, Jr.**

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**Good Hope City Council Minutes**  
**September 12, 2016**

1. Mayor Guthrie called the meeting to order. Councilman Josh Jameson led the invocation. Councilman David Mullis led the pledge.
2. Roll Call was performed by City Clerk Renette Yancey: All members were present.
3. Approval of Agenda: Councilman David Mullis made a motion to accept the agenda. Councilman William Malcom seconded. All approved and the motion was passed.
4. Approval of previous meetings' minutes: Councilman Dean Freese made the motion to accept the minutes. Councilman Josh Jameson seconded. All approved and the motion passed.
5. Public Forum: There was no Public Forum
6. Executive Session: The Mayor and Councilmen went into Mayor Guthrie's office to discuss a personnel matter. They returned 15 minutes later to resume the meeting.
7. Committee Reports and updates:
  - A - City Park: Mayor Guthrie has been in touch with Jody Johnson regarding the installation of benches and Frisbee nets. He has also spoken with Steve Chandler about the possibility of pouring a concrete walkway leading from the parking lot to the play area. There is also the possibility of having a walking path poured around City Property.
  - B - City Hall Floors: Councilman Dean Freese has been in touch with Britts about the dissatisfaction with the floors that were installed. The floor scratches any time you roll a table or slide a chair across it. Alan from Britts and a representative from the manufacturer came to look and take pictures of the floor. As of now they don't seem to want to work with us by providing the quality floor we were expecting. Councilman Freese will follow through and report any new activity pertaining to the floors.
  - C – Safety: Councilman Josh Jameson presented the Loss Control/Safety Policy. He asked that the Council read the policy and email with him with any changes. Twelve months after adopting the policy, the City will be able to apply for Safety Grants. This will enable the City to purchase equipment which will help keep the citizens of Good Hope safer.
  - D – Budget Report – Mayor Guthrie presented the 2016 Year-to-Date report. As of now the City is on track with most of the budget spending that was adopted for 2016.
  - E – Agreed Upon Procedures: We have received our 2016 audit and a copy was given to each of the councilmen.
  - F – Blight Ordinance – A Blight Ordinance is still in the works. This ordinance will ensure the elimination of all run down structures in the city. The ordinance will be one that can be easily enforced.
8. Unfinished Business: No unfinished business

9. New Business: Personnel Matter: Councilman William Malcom said that it was decided in the Executive Session that the City Clerks hourly salary be raised to \$10.50 per hour with an annual cap of \$4,000.00. Councilman Dean Freese made a motion to accept the decision. Councilman Eddie Sheppard seconded. All approved and the motion was passed.

10. Council Discussion Items:

A - LDO: Final changes are being made to the LDO. The plan is for it to be completed by the year's end.

B - 2017 Budget: Mayor Guthrie gave the Council a 2017 budget worksheet to begin making notes regarding the budget for next year. The 2017 budget will be prepared next month.

C- Sympathy Cards: It was brought to the councils' attention that it would be appropriate to send a card to members of the Walton Municipal Association or others in the Community in the event of sickness or death. The City Clerk Renette Yancey will be responsible for this. She asked that the information be texted to her in a timely manner.

11. Mayor Guthrie called for a motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilman David Mullis made the motion, Councilman Eddie Sheppard seconded. All approved. Motion passed.

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Mayor

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Clerk