

**City of Temple  
Monthly Council Meeting  
March 28, 2017, 5:00PM  
Temple City Hall**

**Call to Order:**

The meeting was called to order at 5:00pm by Mayor Lester Harmon.

**Council Members present constituting a quorum:**

Lester Harmon, Mayor  
Richard Bracknell  
Todd Rothwell  
William Simmons  
Howard Walden

**Council Members Absent:**

Penny Ransom

**Approve the published agenda of this date's City Council Meeting, as presented-** Motion to approve by Councilmember Bracknell, second by Councilmember Walden. Vote 4-0.

**New Business:**

1. Approve the Mayor's appointment of a new police officer to fill a vacant Patrol Officer position in the City of Temple Police Department and provide for a reimbursement payment of \$5,500.00 to the City of Carrollton Police Department to cover a portion of the costs of Mandate Training for this individual to obtain his law enforcement certification.

Mayor Harmon stated that he would like to make his appointment for a new police officer to fill a vacant position as Mr. Alazar. Both City Administrator Bill Osborne and Chief Creig Lee reported on the qualifications and background of the candidate. Councilmember Walden asked if he could ask questions of the candidate. Mayor Harmon stated that because of questions that some council members made that could have gotten us sued, Carter Crawford developed a list of questions that we ask to every applicant and the Mayor did not know whether Mr. Walden's question was legal or not and maybe he could whisper it in the attorney's ear and he could tell me if it was legal or not. The City Attorney stated that there would need to be a motion and a second to appoint him to the position, and then there could be discussion. Councilmember Simmons said that he would like to know what the discussion is, so he'd like to make this motion, second by Councilmember Rothwell. The motion is to allow the discussion from Mr. Walden about the appointment. Vote 4-0. After a discussion, there was a motion by Councilmember Walden to disapprove the appointment of a new police officer to fill a vacant patrol position, second by Councilmember Rothwell. Vote 4-0.

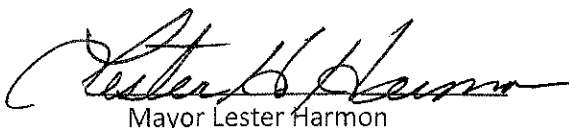
2. Adopt a resolution providing for an increase of \$2.00 in the hourly rate of pay for City of Temple employees in the position of Public Works Technician once an individual in said position successfully has completed his/her six month probationary period.

After a lengthy discussion, this item died for lack of a motion.

**Adjournment:**

Motion to adjourn by Councilmember Bracknell, second By Councilmember Walden. Vote 4-0.

Meeting adjourned at 5:40PM.

  
Mayor Lester Harmon

  
City Clerk