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Good Hope City Council Minutes

December 4, 2023

1. **Call to order:** Mayor Randy Garrett called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm, Councilmember Keith Prather led the invocation and Councilmember Kelsey Malcom led the pledge.
2. **Roll Call:** Performed by City Clerk Missy Daigle, councilmembers William Malcom, Keith Prather, and Kelsey Malcom were present, Councilmembers David Mullis, Jr. and John Robison, Jr. was absent.
3. **Approval of agenda:** There were no amendments to be added, Councilmember Keith Prather made a motion to accept the agenda, Councilmember William Malcom seconded and all approved.
4. **Approval of previous meeting's minutes:** Councilmember William Malcom made a motion to accept November Council minutes and Councilmember Keith Prather seconded, all approved, motion passed and minutes were recorded.
5. **Public Forum:** There were no visitors present.
6. **Committee Reports/Updates:**
 - A. **Budget Update:** The council was presented with a year-to-date report. Councilmember William Malcom made a motion to accept the budget report and Councilmember Keith Prather seconded the motion. All were in favor and the budget report was approved.
 - B. **City Hall rentals:** Nothing new to report.
 - C. **Display Case for Memorabilia:** The contractors that Councilmembers Keith Prather and William Malcom had previously spoken to have not responded, the two councilmembers will be reaching out to other contractors.
 - D. **Good Hope Together:** Councilmember Kelsey Malcom spoke about the Santa workshop that was held on December 2. She stated that there were 25 families that had photos with Santa and participated in the workshop and that the Holiday Market was rescheduled for December 9, 2023 due to the weather. The Market will be held at Good Hope Christian Church.
7. **Unfinished business:**
 - A. **Salary Resolution; from motion on November 6, 2023:** Mayor Randy Garrett read a resolution to the council that stated there would be an increase in both the Mayor and Councilmembers salaries beginning January 1, 2025. The resolution was signed by the Mayor, all Councilmembers that were present, and the Clerk.
8. **New Business:**
 - A. **2024 Operational Budget:** A public hearing was held from 6:00 PM-6:30 PM at the City Hall for anyone who had questions or concerns about the proposed 2024 Operational Budget, with no one having any questions. Councilmember Keith Prather made a motion to approve the 2024 Operational Budget, Councilmember William Malcom seconded the motion, all were in favor and the motion passed 100%.
 - B. **Reschedule January 2024 Council Meeting:** There was discussion on changing the date of the January meeting to January 8, 2024 due to the holiday. Councilmember Keith Prather made a motion to reschedule the January meeting due to the New Year's Day holiday, Councilmember Kelsey Malcom seconded the motion, all were in favor and the motion passed 100%.
 - C. **Good Hope Citizen of the Year Nominations:** The council discussed several businesses and people for the award, this will be voted on in the January meeting.
9. **Council Discussion Items for the good of the order:** There was no discussion.
10. **Adjourn:** Councilmember William Malcom made a motion to adjourn the meeting, Councilmember Keith Prather seconded, all approved and the meeting was adjourned at 6:52 pm.