

**Minutes of the Regular Meeting of the Combine City Council
Monday, November 28, 2016, at 7:00 p.m. at Combine City Hall**

The meeting was called to order at 7:02 p.m. with said majority present:

Council Member	Christi E. Smith
Council Member	Konni Hughes
Mayor Pro Tem	Sharon Carrier
Mayor	Tim Ratcliff

Absent:

Council Member	Del MacLaren
Council Member	Patrick Stepp

City Staff Present:

Jack Gilbert – Chief of Police

Larry Settles – Chief of Fire Department

Robin Price – City Secretary/Treasurer/Court Clerk

1. PLEDGE AND INVOCATION: Mayor, Tim Ratcliff
2. CITIZEN'S COMMENTS: There were no citizen comments.
3. REPORTS:

Combine Police Department - monthly report was given by Jack Gilbert
Combine Fire Department - monthly report was given by Larry Settles
Combine Municipal Court – monthly report was given by Robin Price
Planning & Zoning – There was nothing to report for the month of October
4. TREASURER'S REPORT: Review & approve Treasurer's Report for October 2016. Christi Smith made a motion to accept the October 24, 2016 Treasurer's Report. Konni Hughes seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.
5. MINUTES: Review & approve the October 24, 2016 Regular meeting minutes. Christi Smith made a motion to accept the minutes of the October 24, 2016 Regular meeting. Konni Hughes seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.
6. **DISCUSSION AND ACTION:** Discuss and take appropriate action on hiring a third Police Officer. Chief Gilbert asked to increase the starting officer's salary by \$500/year to make it \$30,000.00 so that the city can be more competitive with other cities. He discussed applicant, Jim Glover. Officer Glover has 30 years of experience as a patrol officer and the Chief worked 20 of those years with him in Balch Springs. He wants to hire him as a third City of Combine Police officer to take the place of Joseph Riccelli that left in July 2016. The Chief believes he will fit the current needs of the city. He will start January 2, 2017. Konni Hughes made a motion to increase the starting salary for a police officer by \$500/year making it \$30,000.00 and to hire Jim Glover as a third police officer for the City of Combine. Christi Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.
7. **DISCUSSION and ACTION:** Discuss and take appropriate action on allowing the City Secretary to accept credit cards as payment for building permit fees, contractor registration fees and solicitor permit fees. Christ Smith made a motion to allow The Payment Group to process any credit card payments for permits at no cost to the city. Konni Hughes seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0.

8. Konni Hughes made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Christi Smith seconded the motion. Motion passed 3-0-0. Meeting adjourned at 7:33 p.m.

CERTIFICATION

I hereby certify that these minutes are true and correct to the best of my knowledge.

Robin Price

Robin Price, City Secretary/Treasurer