



**GARDINER CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
GARDINER CITY COUNCIL CHAMBERS
June 11, 2025 @6:00PM**

1. ROLL CALL / PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

In attendance: Councilor Cone, Councilor Greenleaf, Councilor Cusick, Mayor Hart, Councilor Kimball, Councilor Babcock, Councilor Dolley.

Absent: Councilor Grant

2. PUBLIC COMMENT (anything not on the Agenda)

Anne Cough introduced herself and spoke about her work coordinating flag placement for Memorial Day at Oak Grove, Old St. Joseph's, Cannard, and Plaisted Cemeteries. On Thursday May 22nd, the volunteers met up in Oak Grove. Beatrice Clark, Pam Dorner, Anita Folckemer, Pat Greenleaf, Jeff Hanley, Sally Hanley, Cynthia Hartofelis, George Hopkins, Tricia Hopkins, Kerry Hughes, George Hunt, Danny Jamison, Johnna Jamison, Katie Labbe, Wesley Labbe, Vicki Lawry and Judy MacDonald assisted in this event.

Earlier in the week, Kathryn Alexander and I marked out the sections in Oak Grove. This aids the crew in knowing where to begin and end in their area. Also, Vicki and Anne put flags out in the park around the two war monuments. John Cameron, Mike and Mike from Public Works Department delivered the flags. More flags were ordered, have arrived and are being placed.

If you see any of the flag helpers, why not thank them? All of these residents gave time to Remember, Honor and recognize the veterans who served our country, and we deeply appreciate their help.

3. PETITIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS PETITIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS

- a) Public Hearing regarding the first read of the FY26 City of Gardiner Budget
Mayor Hart opened the Public Hearing at 6:04pm. There being no comment, the Mayor closed the Public Hearing at 6:04pm

4. NEW BUSINESS

- a) First read of the FY26 City of Gardiner Budget
Motion to move the FY26 City of Gardiner Budget to a Second read made by Councilor Babcock, seconded by Councilor Cone, Unanimously moved to Second read
- b) Consideration of accepting Robert Peabody's Resignation

Mayor Hart read City Manager Peabody's resignation letter. Motion to accept the resignation of City Manager Peabody made by Councilor Cusick, seconded by Councilor Greenleaf, Unanimous vote to accept.

- c) Consideration of appointment of Denise Brown to Interim City Manager

Motion to appoint Finance Director Denise Brown as Interim City Manager made Councilor Cusick, seconded by Councilor Kimball, Unanimous vote to approve. City Clerk Cutler will swear Denise in as ICM.

5. CITY MANAGER REPORT **No meeting on July 2, 2025**

6. COUNCIL REPORT/COMMITTEE UPDATES **Councilor Cusick asked if Interim City Manager Brown can ask the Water District to get the hole paved at the top of Church Street. Interim City Manager Brown said she will check with Zach Lovely.**

7. ADJOURN **Meeting adjourned at 6:13**

After adjournment Councilor Cone asked Interim City Manager Brown to look into getting the monuments cleaned at the Common. She will check with PW Director.