

## **MINUTES OF JULY 8, 2024, REGULAR MEETING**

On this, the 8<sup>th</sup> day of July 2024, beginning at 6:00 p.m., the City Council convened in regular session in the City Council Room. The meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting having been given as prescribed by Chapter 51 of the Government Code with the following being present and in attendance to wit:

Mayor Joe Davis, Council Members Ray Dickson, David Gilbert, C.W. Ivey, Lloyd Roberts, and Woody Richardson. Employees present were City Secretary Cindy Woodard, Municipal Court Judge David Aleman, Public Works Director Junior Casas, Administrative Assistant Amalia Gaxiola, and Fireman Nick Narvaez. Others present were Kim Cloyd, Melissa Hibbitts, and Jill Cromwell.

Absent: Council Members Ed Bailey, Melisa McIntosh, and Leslie Ivey

### **CALL TO ORDER AND INVOCATION**

Mayor Davis called the regular meeting to order and noted a quorum present. He welcomed all in attendance and asked Alderman Richardson to voice the invocation. The following items were presented.

### **PUBLIC COMMENT**

No comments were made

### **APPROVE CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS**

The consent agenda items were presented for approval: the regular meeting minutes from June 10, 2024, special meeting minutes from June 24, 2024, accept collections and pay expenditures for June 2024, and Quarterly Investment Report ending June 2024. Alderman Gilbert moved to approve the consent agenda items, seconded by Alderman Roberts. The vote was unanimous in favor.

### **GOVERNMENT CAPITAL FUNDING OPTIONS PRESENTATION – DREW WORTHINGTON**

Drew Worthington explained how Government Capital offers financing to cities following the local government code on issuing debt. Secretary Woodard stated the project needing funding will be the water line relocation on Noel Street and estimated construction will start October or November. Drew presented several finance options and scenarios. He took questions and will send Secretary Woodard the Municipal Advisor agreement.

### **DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS ON MONTHLY ACTIVITIES**

Public Works Director Junior Casas reported the front-end loader is still in Amarillo and will be fixed soon. The smaller shredder tractor has been repaired, but the larger tractor that needs

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repairing will have to be added to the budget. They will be starting alley cleanup and use millings to fill alleyways. He has received a 5-gallon bucket of different street sealer that will be tested. They sprayed the park which was not effective on careless weeds but helped with goat head stickers. Mayor Davis inquired about a sit down to plan a cleanup day. Casas advised the torn down house on Morningside will be cleaned up when the loader is back. The building on 9<sup>th</sup> street will be torn down and cleaned up afterwards. With the increase in mosquito spraying, only two will be done with one done before July 4<sup>th</sup> and the next one before Hall County Picnic.

Municipal Judge Aleman presented his written report. No questions.

Fireman Nick Narvaez presented his written report. June was slow and it is continuing to stay green so there have not been many fires. The fireworks show went good with no incidents. He reported all equipment is running well. A Canyon fire school is coming up in September that several volunteers will attend. Alderman Gilbert questioned how many volunteers they have. Narvaez reported 20 and the limit is 33. Mayor Davis asked if the garage door got fixed and Nick stated a company out of Pampa fixed it.

Police Chief Rex Plant was absent and his written report was presented.

Secretary Cindy Woodard reported that Librarian Jackie Owens is out sick. Kay McCarty has been covering but they are closing the library on Saturdays this month. She reported that Melissa Hibbitts started her teacher externship and it was going well. She gave information of the upcoming TML Region 2 meeting and training session on July 18<sup>th</sup>. Total Alloy is going to Sheriff sale for delinquent property taxes on August 6<sup>th</sup>. The EDC and Revolving Loan board met on June 26<sup>th</sup> and will start foreclosure proceedings against Total Alloy due to lack of payment and shut down of Foundry.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF TYPE B ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR TWO-YEAR TERMS IN SEATS 1, 3, AND 5**

Secretary Woodard reported the EDC Board of Directors whose terms are up are Georgia Brauer in Seat 1, Kindra Davis in Seat 3 and Mark Montgomery in Set 5. All three have agreed to serve another two-year term. Alderman Roberts moved to approve the Type B Economic Development Corporation Board of Directors two-year terms in Seats 1,3, and 5 as presented, seconded by Alderman Gilbert. The vote was unanimous in favor.

**CONSIDER APPROVAL OF REVISED POLICY AND PROCEDURE MANUAL**

Secretary Woodard stated under benefits they need to add wording for the health insurance benefit. Alderman Ivey discussed the benefit of sewer and trash services for employee should also be added if they continue with this benefit. Alderman Ivey moved to table for further research, seconded by Alderman Gilbert. The vote was unanimous in favor.



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**CONSIDER ACCEPTING BID FOR 1020 W. BRADFORD OLD LAUNDRY MAT PROPERTY**

Mayor Davis opened the only bid received. Alderman Richardson moved to accept the bid of \$1,756.00 received from W. Renfro, seconded by Alderman Gilbert. The vote was unanimous in favor.

**CONSIDER BEAUTIFICATION PROJECT FOR CITY PARK**

Secretary Woodard presented a potential playground equipment project for the park using money Mr. Sexton wanted to donate in memory of his late wife. Mayor Davis reporting presenting to the EDC board about pitching in on this project. No action was taken.

**DISCUSS REVENUE INCRESASES FOR 2024/2025**

Discussion was held on some areas of revenue to increase. A budget meeting was set for 6:00 p.m. on July 22, 2024.

**MAYOR AND COUNCIL ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST**

No comments were made.

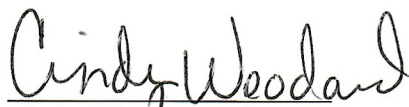
**ADJOURN**

Alderman Gilbert moved to adjourn the meeting, seconded by Alderman Roberts. The vote was unanimous in favor. The meeting was adjourned at 7:50 p.m.

Approved:

  
Joe Davis, Mayor

Attest:

  
Cindy Woodard, City Secretary