

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council in regular session on Thursday June 2, 2022, in council chambers at 6:00 p. m.

CALL TO ORDER: In the absence of Mayor Lance Smiga, Mayor Pro-Tem Wayne Callis called meeting to order at 6:00p.m. The council stood for the moment of silence, followed by the council and audience reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilperson District 2 Wayne Callis, Councilperson District 3 Chris Jackson, Councilperson District 4 Mike Dodds, and Councilperson District 5 Johnny Vasquez were present. Councilperson District 1 Dustin Muncrief was absent. City Manager Gary Broz, Chief of Police Rick Boone, Finance Director Diane Pierce, Director of Utilities Brad Ryan and Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski were also present. Minutes were recorded by City Secretary Becky Miska.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD MAY 19, 2022:

Councilperson Dobb made the motion to approve the minutes of the city council meeting held May 19, 2022. Councilperson Jackson seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS: Jessica Coleman- Jackson County Herald Tribune, Ben Galvan- CivilCorp, Claude and Lillian Prince, Melissa Braunholz-representing the Edna ISD Project Graduation 2022

HEARING OF VISITORS:

“During the council meeting, as each item is addressed, the council shall also allow the audience to speak on any subject matter that is posted on the agenda in accordance with HB 2840.” Please limit comments - two minutes.

Melissa Braunholz- Edna ISD Project Graduation 2022 thanked the Council for the use of Shelby Park. She stated out of 102 graduates 73 attended. Braunholz also thanked Chief of Police Boone and Officer Martinez for their assistance and security with the project.

APPROVAL OF CHANGE ORDER NUMBER 4 FOR THE CITY’S CONTRACT WITH SUPAK CONSTRUCTION ON GRANT # 20-065-03-C109. THIS CHANGE ORDER REMOVES WORK ON WASHINGTON STREET AND ADDS ADDITIONAL WORK ON ASH STREET AND ON THE ALLEY BETWEEN KLEAS STREET AND N. EAST STREET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$83,356.00:

City Manager Gary Broz reported that the project started on Washington Street, but pvc pipe was already installed therefore the pipe did not need to be replaced. Change order number 4 is for Ash and Wells to Williams. Councilperson Dodds made motion to approve. Councilperson Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER ENGAGEMENT LETTER FROM OLSON & OLSON, L. L. P. FOR GENERAL LEGAL SERVICES:

City Manager Gary Broz reported that legal services with Olson and Olson would be an addition to our City Attorney. Olson and Olson are good with municipal employment. Councilperson Vasquez made motion to approve the Engagement Letter from Olson and Olson, L. L. P. for General Legal Services. Councilperson Dodds second the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS TCEQ WASTEWATER TREATMENT PLANT PENALTY AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Gary Broz stated that the city received a surprise letter from TCEQ for a \$36,600 penalty. SPE Agreement with cost of repairs will cover penalty amount. Letter stated ammonia was too high for

three months in a row. Corrections have been put in place. Councilperson Dodds made motion to continue with corrective procedures. Councilperson Vasquez seconded. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS ENTERING INTO A SSO AGREEMENT WITH TCEQ AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Broz explained the SSO Agreement with TCEQ and what it entails. If signed the city will be in commitment with TCEQ for ten years. Councilperson Jackson made motion to take any action deemed necessary with TCEQ to do repairs but will not be assessed and administrative penalty. Councilperson Vasquez seconded motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS BID FOR THE GILBERT ROAD DRAINAGE PROJECT AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

Ben Galvan with CivilCorp reported bids were advertised for two weeks in May along with emails sent to various contractors. One bid was received for 2 million plus. CivilCorp worked on bids to get it to 1.7 million dollars. City Manager Broz asked the council to consider and approve a 1.7-million-dollar cap, and if necessary, will come back to council. This approval will allow equipment and supplies to be secured for the project. Councilperson Callis asked if we can try to keep it lower than 1.7 million dollars. Councilperson Jackson made motion to approve the 1.7 million. Councilperson Dodds seconded motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:

City Manager Broz reviewed the bills with council. Councilperson Dodds made motion to approve the payment of bills in the amount of \$61,873.51 Councilperson Vasquez seconded motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CITY STAFF REPORTS:

“At this time, City Council will hear reports/updates on all committees or department assignments, which may include, but is not limited to the following: Police Department-grant updates, police reports; Director of Utilities-park reports, water & sewer updates; Street Department-repairs/projects; Code Enforcement-progress reports; City Manager & City Secretary-public information.” **No formal action can be taken on these items.**

City Manager Gary Broz reported he is continuing with the GLO audit on Wastewater project. Working with Finance Director Diane Pierce on reports for budget workshops.

The statue is getting closer to completion.

Chance with AllTime Tech will be setting up a time for phones/email accessibility.

Chance will also be working Friday and Saturday on the office phones system and sonic walls.

Moving forward with 22 Certificate of Deposits Project.

Standards and Poor rating next week for CO's.

Received grant from Golden Crescent for recycling oil.

Victoria Economic Development will be on the next agenda to report on their plan of action.

Diane Pierce is moving forward learning new duties.

Finalizing paperwork on body camera grant.

Owner of Edna Theatre called to say the theatre is under contract.

Hurricane seasons began yesterday.

YRA Rodeo Finals will be at Brackenridge Main Event Center June 15-18: estimated 3500 people will be our county.

Meeting with Judge Jill Sklar regarding Economic Develop Study interviews in July. We will be looking at the City's Drought Contingency Plan.

Finance Director Diane Pierce noted she is absorbing as much as possible; Olga Salomon is coming in twice a week to continue with training.

Working with Gary on proposed budget.

Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski reported they have been busy cleaning ditches and driveway repairs.

Limbs and brush have been cleared on Trinity and Dugger, Fourth and Bryan Street.

Director of Utilities Brad Ryan stated with the lack of rain, water leaks continue; there were three leaks repaired today. Sewer plant looks good. Wayne James approved to test for B license.

Chief of Police Rick Boone murder trial finished up last week; this was the second one for the year; both received life sentences.

Dog pound passed inspection; a finish coat was recommended.

Now that the trials are finished, we will be back to other duties.

Edna PD, EISD and Sheriff Department had Alert Training; 18 teachers are armed with firearms; will be putting something out to support the public.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Dodds made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilperson Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

APPROVED: _____
Wayne Callis, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST: _____
Becky Miska, City Secretary