

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, November 30, 2023, in council chambers at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Lance Smiga called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The council stood for a moment of silence, Andy Brzozowski said a prayer, followed by the council and audience reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilperson District 1 Cipriano Palacios, Councilperson District 2 Wayne Callis, Councilperson District 3 Chris Jackson, Councilperson District 4 Mike Dodds, and Councilperson District 5 Johnny Vasquez were present, City Manager Gary Broz, Street Supervisor Andy Brzozowski, Director of Utilities Brad Ryan, Investigator Derrick Berma, Finance Director Diane Pierce, Parks Supervisor Jaime Liepe, and City Secretary Sonya Robinson were also present. Street Superintendent. The minutes were recorded by City Secretary Robinson.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD NOVEMBER 2, 2023:

Councilperson Jackson made the motion to approve the minutes of the city council meeting held November 2, 2023. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS: Shannon Parker W/TDEM, Veronica Crabb, Matthew Glaze

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

"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. The council may not take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda." Please limit-two minutes.

No action taken.

CONSIDER AND AWARD BID FOR GENERATORS FOR WATER & WASTEWATER FACILITIES HAZARD MITIGATION GRANT PROGRAM (HMGP) DR 4332-1122.:

City Manager Gary Broz informed everyone that the bid is from the 2018 and 2019 mitigation grants from Harvey. Broz stated that we had to get different bids and the project will be half of what it initially started at. Matthew Glaze went over the pricing. He stated the base bid including Hickory water well improvement and Kleas lift station and alternate bid was for portable generators. Base bid was \$242,971.00, and alt bid \$56,583.00. Broz stated that we are \$9,554.00 short and would like to add that so it can be completed. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve the bid for generator water and wastewater facilities Hazard Mitigation Grant and add the \$9,554.00. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER ADOPTING A RECORD MANAGEMENT POLICY AND APPOINTING CITY SECRETARY AS RECORDS MANAGEMENT OFFICER AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Broz stated we need approval for the record management policy and approval for the City Secretary to be the record management officer. Councilperson Callis made a motion to appoint the City Secretary as records management officer. Councilperson Palacios seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

HAVE A DISCUSSION WITH THE CITY COUNCIL AS TO HOW THE CITY SHOULD OPERATE SHELBY PARK ATHLETE'S FIELDS:

Mayor Smiga stated that earlier this week with Councilperson Palacios, Councilperson Callis, City Manager Broz, and himself met with Mr. OConner about the baseball fields out at Shelby Park. Smiga and Broz also met with the Little League on Tuesday with a similar conversation. Smiga stated that there

is not a plan, but it is easier for the school and Edna Little League to invest money in the fields. Smiga stated that everyone wants the same thing we are just working on how to achieve that. Councilperson Palacios asked if we are putting a hold on the building of the restrooms. City Manager Broz stated yes, there will be a hold on the restrooms.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

Pass

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

Councilperson Jackson made the motion to approve the payment of current bills in the amount of \$287,896.25. Councilperson Callis seconded the 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: City Manager-grants, projects, public information; Finance Director-finance & department reports; Police Department-grant updates, police reports; Director of Utilities-park reports, water & sewer updates; Street Department-repairs/projects; Code Enforcement-progress reports; Jonas Titus-Vice Economic Development; City Secretary-public information." No formal action taken on these items.

Gary Broz, City Manager, stated that we have received 12 pallets of water meters delivered. Broz stated he will meet with the installer next week. Software is still moving. Gilbert road has started pouring concrete. Received \$100,000 through Golden Crescent from the GLO will be about \$85,000 will be pipe in the ground. Have finished picking up limbs. 1123 N. Kleas is looking good on the outside. CenterPoint Energy will have a rate increase. Saturday from 4-8 will be Christmas events and they are asking for council to volunteer for gingerbread house competition.

Finance Director Diane Pierce stated that she has been working on an audit.

Street Supervisor Andy Brzozowski stated they have been hauling limbs, shredding trying to get the deep ditches cleaned up. Brzozowski states he only has two full-time employees, so if you know of someone that wants to work let him know.

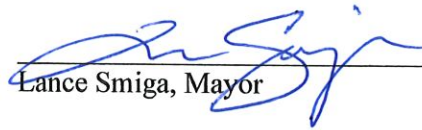
Parks Supervisor Jaime Liepe stated that they have been working on Christmas lights. Liepe has also been getting bids for Shelby Park storm damage. Flagpole is ordered but will be a while before we receive it.

Director of Utilities Brad Ryan stated they have just been keeping busy.

Investigator Derrick Berma stated they will have Tip a Cop on December 5, 2023. The Lone Star grant was approved. Berma stated that there has been a fentanyl death here in Edna and they are investigating. Berma states stating active at night due to break ins.

ADJOURN:

Councilperson Jackson made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.



Lance Smiga, Mayor



LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary