

## **REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Thursday, October 3, 2024, 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 prayer by Andy Brzozowski followed by the council and audience reciting the Pledge of Allegiance.

**PRESENT:** Mayor Lance Smiga, Councilperson District 2 Wayne Callis, Councilperson District 3 Chris Jackson, Councilperson District 4 Mike Dodds, Councilperson District 5 Amanda Friedrich were present. City Manager Gary Broz, Investigator Derrick Bermea, Street Superintendent Andy Brzozowski, Utility Director Brad Ryan, Code Enforcer Sam Idlett and City Secretary LaSonya Robinson were also present. Councilperson District 1 Cipriano Palacios was absent. City Secretary Robinson recorded the minutes.

### **APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 19, 2024:**

Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve the September 19, 2024, minutes. Councilperson Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**VISITORS:** Beth Foley- Jackson Hearld, Mike Jordan, Doug -White Trash, Malachi

### **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.*

**Mike Jordan stated that the Rise Broadband hit a water line and the culvert in now plugged at W. Church and Robinson. He was worried about his garage flooding if we had a lot of rain.**

### **CONSIDER THE REQUEST FROM JACKSON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE FOR FUNDING FOR THE HUNTING EVENT AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:**

Carolina Jalufka with the Chamber was not able to attend the meeting. Councilperson Jackson asked how much was budgeted for the Chamber of Commerce this year. City Manager Gary Broz stated \$3000.00. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve \$3000 for the Chamber of Commerce. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

### **RECEIVE PRESENTATION FROM WHITE TRASH SERVICES ON PROPOSAL FOR BRUSH SERVICES IN THE CITY AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:**

City Manager stated that Texas Disposal Service will refund .90 cents per resident for brush pick up. Broz stated he has had a couple meeting with Doug about our brush problem. Doug with White Trash stated they would come and pick up the brush. Doug went over the three options on the proposal handout. Doug stated that the first option is exactly there .90 per resident that TDS is willing to refund. City Manager stated he will work on amending the contract with TDS for brush pickup and getting the .90 refunded.

### **CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2024-12 AN APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXSTAR INVESTMENT POOL:**

City Manager Gary Broz stated that we need approval to process applications to put our money in TexStar. Broz stated there are two funds TexStar and Logic. TexStar is paying a little over 5%. Broz stated that we are trying to gain as much as possible on the \$5.5 million. Broz stated we have listed this in our Investment Policy. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve resolution 2024-12. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**CONSIDER RESOLUTION 2024-13 AN APPLICATION FOR PARTICIPATION IN LOGIC INVESTMENT POOL:**

City Manager Gary Broz stated that Logic and TexStar are side by side. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to approve resolution 2024-13, an application for participation in Logic Investment Pool. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BUDGET AMENDMENTS:**

No action taken.

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

The City Manager stated that we need to pay bills totaling \$372,019.37. Councilperson Jackson made a motion to approve paying bills totaling \$372,019.37. Councilperson Dodds made a motion to second. 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-Victoria Economic Development; City Secretary-public information."*

City Manager Broz stated he is working on closeout of FY 2023/2024, met with auditor on Tuesday, the slab has been poured at Shelby Park for the building, the 8-5 has stated at City Hall, distributed evaluation forms to dept heads, had court on Tuesday had 10 cased and 2 showed, working with team on finalizing all our accounts at Prosperity Bank, software moving ahead, still waiting on the 55 water meters to arrive, working with Civilcorp on finalizing the plans for the '24 CO project couple of drainage details working out, will receive the 2018 grant generators in November for Kleas and Guadalupe, contractor doing work in preparation for their arrival, waiting on the contract for the GCRPC/MIT grant for drainage in Dist. 2, working on new application with TDEM on police building generator and drainage projects, received favorable recommendation on the Post Oak Branch Drainage Project FEMA is requesting more information, Rise Broadband is continuing to install fiber, continuing to get 2 to 3 call a week, rise is working out the problem, Saturday is fair parade meet at Police Station at 9:30 to ride on fire truck.

Street Superintendent Andy Brozowski stated they removed over 36 piles of limbs from city streets and burned them, mowed and trimmed the sidewalks, removed advertisement signs posted in the City ROWs, we are about ¾ finished sweeping streets with curbs, patched potholes, helped with a water leak on SH 111 (Wells Street), sealed some areas on S. East St., installed a driveway on Colorado St., installed some signs on Gilbert RD at Glendale, started leveling debris dump at the wastewater treatment plant.

Director of Utilities Brad Ryan stated that they are reading meters, cleaned clarifier and orbital, worked on lead & copper survey information, repaired water leak at Vanderbilt & Sunset ST., water tap on Buttercup, repaired 12' water leak at 111 Texaco, repaired water leak on Harlem, and S. Allen, repaired sewer on Hurst St., installed new sewer tap on Cottonwood St., cleaned old drying beds at sewer plant.

**Investigator Derrick Bermea stated they have been working on sexual assaults cases, threats at schools, they will be having movie night at Shelby Park, went to Industrial School to give presentation about drug abuse.**

**ADJOURN:**

Councilperson Dodds made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:29 p.m. Councilperson Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

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Lance Smiga, Mayor

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LaSonya Robinson, City Secretary