

The regular meeting of the Rule City Council was called to order at 5:32 P.M. In attendance were Mayor Delle Watkins, Kimberly Eaton, Bob Clark, Sandy Flores, Kyle Kittley and Marshall Bradford. Also In attendance was Hugh Brady, Joyce Ramirez, Tamara Smart and Doris Williams.

Bob Clark started the meeting with the Prayer followed by the Pledge of Allegiance.

The meeting started with swearing in the new and returning council members. Mayor Delle Watkins, Kimberly Eaton, and Marshall Bradford.

MUNICIPAL COURT-Tamara didn't have anything to report. She did speak with Kenny Thompson on how to get around not having a code enforcer. He gave her a nuisance form that we could fill out and return to Kenny and Kris Fouts. Since there is no fire marshal to condemn a house, this could be a way. Fill it out and send supporting pictures and Haskell might be able to demolish the house. The interlocal agreement for housing of people in the jail and serving our warrants will be on their next commissioner court on the 13th. Clerk school will be at the end of July, and she will discuss this at the July council meeting.

Approving the minutes from the May meeting. Kyle Kittley made the motion to approve the minutes and Sandy Flore seconded. All in favor.

There were no public or written comments.

PUBLIC WORKS- Hugh gave his report. The bypass at the water tower was completed and vaults set around the meters and valves. TECQ inspected the wastewater plant. They did write us up for not having complete paperwork from 2022, the dirt piles and cattails. This can be resolved with a letter when the send us the notice. Mowed around town and the baseball field, 4 dogs were picked up, Meet with TXDOT about the intersections and drainage problems. They are going to resolve these issues in the coming year. Fixed leak on 10th and Sunny and put a new water tap. Discussed spraying for mosquitos. It was decided to start next week. Once a week on Wednesdays. Speed bump locations were discussed. It was decided to place them after the intersection of Adams and Eight St and intersection of Eight St and Pawnee. Water Tower maintenance has started the rehab on the water tower.

CEMETERY REPORT- Cemetery has been mowed twice, weed eated once. Going to start spraying this weekend depending on the weather.

FIRE DEPT. REPORT- Assisted Rochester with a structure fire twice, grass fire 3 miles of town on 380, assisted Haskell on a grass fire southwest of Haskell, 18-wheeler roll over full of cows west on Hwy. 6 towards Sagerton, Haskell assisted, travel trailer fire 3 miles west of Stamford on Hwy. 6, Haskell assisted. Mention the Fundraiser this Saturday at the Wild Horse Prairie Days.

Approving the bills. Kyle Kittley made the motion to approve the bills and Bob Clark seconded. All in favor.

City park projects were discussed. Bob wants to have the sprinkler systems repaired. Sandy Flores made the motion to have someone come and give an estimate on the repair, Bob Clark seconded. All in favor.

Personal Policy on City Manager duties were reviewed. Kyle Kittley made the motion to approved and Kimberly Eaton seconded. All in favor.

Contracting Sherman to fix the cemetery roads will be tabled until the next meeting.

Water Tower maintenance has offered to give a break on the price of painting the outside if he can do it all while he is here. Sandy Flores made the motion to have him paint the outside and Kimberly Eaton seconded. All in favor.

Discuss the bid that came in for the lift station. The bid came in at \$593,000.00. This is way more than was expected. The city has rejected this offer. Kimberly Eaton made the motion to reject the offer and Bob Clark seconded. All in Favor.

Merit Raise- The Council went into Executive session.

7:42 back to regular session. – It was approved to give the 2 full time workers a raise.

Sandy Flores made the motion to adjourn, and Kimberly Eaton seconded. All in favor

Meeting adjourned at 7:43.