

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

July 12, 2021

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Ray Schultz
Mayor Pro tem Lori Shierry
Councilwomen Sherrie Williams and Stephanie Wooten
Councilmen Jeffrey Pogatshnik and Brad Wynn

MEMBERS ABSENT: None

PERSONNEL: Jerry Flemming, City Manager
David Sherrill, Public Works Director
Steve Davis, Police Chief
Jason Griffin, Parks and Recreation Director
David Owen, Economic Development Director
Amie Schultz, Library Director
Becky Ferguson, Director of Finance
Dustin Arledge, Police Office
Janice Newman, City Secretary

VISITORS: Dolores Hamilton Shealeigh Arledge
Kathy Arledge Coby Arledge

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order.

The Mayor called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Invocation.

The City Manager gave the invocation.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Recognition of Special Guest(s)/Action(s).

There were no recognitions at this time.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Citizens' Input.

No individuals registered to participate in the citizens' input.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: General Consent.

A. Acceptance and Approval of the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of June 28, 2021.

- B. Acceptance and Approval of the Minutes of the Special City Council Meeting of July 6, 2021.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Wooten accepting and approving the general consent agenda as presented. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Oath of Office.

- A. Administer Oath of Office to City Council Place 3 Jeffrey Pogatshnik.

The City Secretary administered the Oath of Office to City Council Place 3 Jeffrey Pogatshnik.

- B. Administer Oath of Office of Police Officer Dustin Arledge.

The City Secretary administered the Oath of Office to Police Officer Dustin Arledge.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: Resolution.

- A. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Tenth Amendment to the Wholesale Water Purchase Contract Between the City of Iowa Park, Texas and the City of Electra, Texas.
- B. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Sixteenth Amendment to the Wholesale Water Purchase Contract Between the City of Iowa Park, Texas and the Wichita Valley Water Supply Corporation.
- C. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Eighteenth Amendment to the Wholesale Water Purchase Contract Between the City of Iowa Park, Texas and the Horseshoe Bend Estates Homeowners' Association.
- D. A Resolution of the City Council of the City of Iowa Park, Texas Authorizing the Mayor to Execute the Twelfth Amendment to the Wholesale Water Purchase Contract Between the City of Iowa Park, Texas and the Iowa Park Consolidated Independent School District.

The City Manager explained that he has received the water rate study from the City of Wichita Falls. Based on the study, there will be a water rate increase of approximately 4.81%. This increase will be passed on to the wholesale water customers as follows:

<u>Customer</u>	<u>Current</u>	<u>Proposed (per 1,000 gallons)</u>
City of Electra	\$4.99	\$5.23
Wichita Valley	\$7.23	\$7.59
Horseshoe Bend	\$7.23	\$7.59
Iowa Park CISD	\$10.20	\$10.70

Motion was made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Wooten approving and adopting Resolution Numbers 21-09, 21-10, 21-11 and 21-12 amending the wholesale water purchase contracts between the City of Iowa Park and the City of Electra, Wichita Valley Water Supply Corporation, Horseshoe Bend Estates Homeowners' Association and the Iowa Park Consolidated Independent School District. Motion carried with five ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 8: City Manager's Report.

A. Receive a Tom Burnett Memorial Library Budget Report.

The Library Director presented her proposed 2021-2022 budget request.

She began by first giving a quick year in review. She pointed out that the Library never shut down operations throughout COVID. They provided services remotely and offered curbside pickup. Activities and programs were on Facebook live and through zoom. They posted their Wifi password on front door and window of the library and Facebook as well as giving it to the school so kids that did not have internet access at home could go to the library and sit on the front porch or in the parking lot to do their homework on their Chromebooks when the school went to online learning.

She presented before and after pictures of the improvements made to the upstairs ballroom which included flooring, paint, ceiling fans and blackout curtains.

The future needs include paint stairwell, upstairs landing, hall and bathrooms to complete the upstairs renovations. Cost estimate is \$11,700.00. The Library has a total of five computers, three are public use, one at the front desk and one for the director. One of the public use computers is not working. She received an estimate to paint the downstairs at an estimate of \$33,500.00. This needs to be done in stages so that the Library does not have to shut down. Other items needed but no cost estimates yet are new flooring for downstairs, shelving and furniture and lighting upgrades to LED. Regular line item considerations include pay increases, increase to special events, electronic materials and printed materials.

She also would like to see the City update their website, which she manages. The current website will not allow videos to be posted on the site. She received a quote from another host two years ago and it was approximately \$5,000.00 for an all new City website.

B. Receive an Economic Development Budget Report.

The Economic Development Director presented his proposed 2021-2022 budget request, which he stated would remain static.

He thanked the City and the Community Development Corporation for the 4th of July fireworks display, which he said was better than the City of Wichita Falls show.

He briefed the Council on several things he has been working on. The senior complex by Mr. Mark Temple is still in the works. Mr. Temple has found some investors and he is also looking at more land.

The building and property located behind Hop In. is receiving a lot of inquiries.

He has been working with three men from Burkburnett that are looking to bring a business to Iowa Park.

He and Randy Catlin have been working a deal on the 7.32 acres located at FM 368 and the Access Road just south of Callie Lane.

He believes that with the way the market is, now is a great time for the City to sell any surplus property they own.

Taco Bell is in negotiations with a perspective buyer of the lot between Taco Bell and McDonald's. Upon direction from the 4A Board, he met with a General Contractor about a possible spec building.

C. Discuss and Consider Authorizing the City Manager to Publish an Invitation to bid on Surplus Commercial Property at 711 W Highway St.

The City Manager put together an invitation to bid on the former Friendship Cable property located at 711 West Highway. Minimum bid is set for \$50,000.00 with bid opening date set for August 18, 2021, or if no bids are received by that date, bids will be accepted for thirty days following receipt of the first bid. Motion was made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Shierry authorizing the City Manager to publish an invitation to bid on surplus commercial property at 711 West Highway Street. Motion carried with five ayes. (Unanimous)

D. Discuss and Consider the Local State of Disaster for Public Health Emergency Adopted by City Council on March 23, 2020.

The City Manager noted an uptick in the recent weeks of COVID-19 cases. As of Friday, there were eighty-eight active cases in the County with seven in the 76367 zip code.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 9: Executive Session.

A. Pursuant to the Texas Government Code, Section 551.072 of the Texas Open Meetings Act for the Purpose of Deliberations About the Purchase, Exchange, Lease, or Value of Real Property; and More Specifically, to Discuss the Disposition of Surplus Real Property Owned by the City of Iowa Park.

The Council entered into executive session at 7:41 p.m.

The Council reconvened in open session at 8:15 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 10: Action as a Result of Executive Session.

A. Discuss and Consider the Disposition of Surplus Real Property
Owned by the City of Iowa Park.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Williams and seconded by Councilwoman Wooten authorizing the City Manager to replat the lot on West Highway that is being used as truck parking (former Barbour pipe yard). Motion carried with five ayes. (Unanimous)

The meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 26th day of July, 2021.

Mayor Ray Schultz

ATTEST:

City Secretary Janice Newman