

# City of Mertzson

City Council Meeting Minutes

April 22, 2019

## Regular Meeting

### Those Present:

#### Mayor:

Lisa Hight

#### Mayor Pro-Tem:

Melissa Matthews

#### Council Members:

Charlene Holland  
Bill Taylor

Danny Crutchfield

#### Employees:

Sheri Benson, City Administrator  
Steve Thompson, Supervisor

#### Attorney: Jeff Betty

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Hight, with quorum present. Opening prayer, Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Texas Flag were recited by everyone present.

**Public Comments:** None.

**Storm Water Run Off:** Mr. George Noelke addressed the council regarding his concerns with increased flooding due to storm water run-off for property located near Irion County School District. Discussion only.

**Executive Session:** Council went into executive session at 7:33p.m. No minutes were kept during discussion on the following, subject to Section 551.072 of the Texas Government Code; deliberation regarding real property. Active minutes were kept during discussion on the following, subject to Section 551.074 of the Texas Government Code: any personnel matters that council has.

**Return to Open Session:** Council returned from executive session at 8:21p.m.

- (a) Councilman Taylor made a motion to approve the Transfer of Park Property Agreement. Councilman Matthews seconded. All in favor; motion passed.
- (b) Mayor Hight asked for a motion for alley closure on Blk:143; 1-8,9-16. No motion made.
- (c) Councilman Matthews made a motion to increase employee Forgas' wage to \$10.00 per hour. Councilman Crutchfield seconded. Councilman Taylor not in favor. Councilman Holland in favor. Motion passed.

**Prior Meeting Minutes:** Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve April 1, 2019, minutes as written. Councilman Holland seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

**Financial Documents:** Councilman Holland made a motion to approve all financial documents. Councilman Matthews seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

**City Administrator's Report:** Information presented by Administrator Benson.

1. Accounts payables were submitted for review and initialed by each council member.
2. Bank account balances were presented.
3. A current Sick Policy is in the Employee Policy but needs updating and will be available at next council meeting.
4. A meeting was held with Sheriff Estes regarding the local gaming center. City of Eden's gaming ordinance was sent to Jeff Betty for review and template to create an ordinance for Mertzson.
5. Scott Hay with Enprotec, Hibbs and Todd, Inc. asked for confirmation for the 50ft easement behind Blk: 120; Lots 1 and 8. His records reflect there is no approval of easement. A call has been placed with Texas Pacifico for verification.
6. Forty-two (42) animals were registered with the city during the rabies clinic on Saturday, April 20, 2019.
7. Total auction revenue was \$10,492.99
8. Employee Thompson will take his Class C Wastewater Treatment test next week.

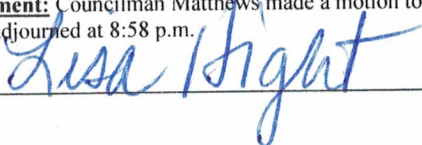
**Daily Operations Update:** Information presented by Supervisor Thompson.

1. City Wide Clean-up was held on April 13, 2019, and was the largest in attendance, requiring an additional roll-off to be delivered. Guidelines will need to be set before next cleanup due to items being dumped.
2. Repaired three (3) water leaks and two (2) sewer problems.
3. Aerators at the waste water plant needed repairs and were cleaned from debris
4. Dog in kennel was taken to veterinarian for rabies vaccine.
5. Repaired John Deer tractor
6. Mowed at baseball field, creek, island, irrigation field and park.
7. Trash pickup at park and creek.

**Items from the Council:** Check meter box at baseball field. Fill in holes inside the large baseball field.

**Adjournment:** Councilman Matthews made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Holland seconded. All in favor; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

Signed:  
Mayor



Signed:  
City Administrator

