

City of Mertzson

City Council Meeting Minutes

August 5, 2019

Regular Meeting

Those Present:

Mayor:

Council Members:

Bill Taylor

Employees:

Sheri Benson, City Administrator
Steve Thompson, Supervisor

Mayor Pro-Tem:

Melissa Matthews

Charlene Holland

Danny Crutchfield

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

Public comments: None

Proposed Tax Rate for 2019 year: Councilman Taylor made a motion to approve the \$.551850 per \$100 valuation proposed tax rate for the 2019 year. Councilman Crutchfield seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Irion County's contract for assessing and collection of taxes: Councilman Holland made a motion to approve Irion County's contract with a reimbursement amount of \$629.00. Councilman Taylor seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Animal Control protocols: Discussion only.

Water usage rate increase: Councilman Taylor made a motion to approve the increase of water rates usage to .25¢ per existing water usage breakdown listed in current ordinance #06-05-07. Councilman Holland seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Stop sign at intersection of Commerce Street and Main Avenue – Ordinance #19-01: Councilman Taylor made a motion to approve Ordinance #19-01 to include one stop sign located on the East side of the intersection of Commerce Street and Main Avenue. Councilman Crutchfield seconded. All in favor; motion passed. Ordinance #19.01 was approved and adopted.

Prior meeting minutes. (a) Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve June 22, 2019, minutes as written. Councilman Holland seconded. All in favor; motion passed. (b) Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve June 29, 2019, minutes as written. Councilman Holland seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Financial documents: Councilman Taylor 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. Enprotec, Hibbs and Todd, Inc. received the approval letter from TCEQ to begin the south pond expansion.
4. A hydrologist with the Upper Colorado River Authority along with Judge Criner met at city hall to discuss stormwater runoff and potential disbursement options.
5. TXDOT will assist in material for road repairs.
6. M.I.C. submitted their gaming license application and payment.
7. TXDOT is planning on resurfacing Hwy 2469 this week.
8. The pit bull Junior has been in the kennel for 16 days and we are looking for adoption or fostering options.
9. The FUTA ordinance will be available at the next meeting for review.

Daily Operations Update: Information presented by Supervisor Thompson.

1. Repaired eight (8) water leaks, three (3) new meters and three (3) new meter boxes.
2. The new Ford F250 pickup is at Ivy Motors in Robert Lee getting worked on.
3. TCEQ's inspection of the Wastewater Sewer Plant was conducted on July 23, 2019, that concluded with two (2) confirmed violation and one (1) violation under review.
4. Mowed islands and along Broadway Street.

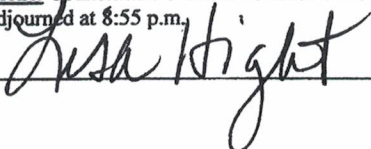
2019/2020 yearly budget working session: Discussion only.

Items from the Council: Review employee beginning rates and pay schedule as part of the Employee Handbook during the next council meeting.

Adjournment: Councilman Crutchfield made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Holland seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:55 p.m.

Signed:
Mayor



Signed:
City Administrator

