

# City of Mertzon

City Council Meeting Minutes

May 17, 2021

## Regular Called City Council Meeting

### Those Present:

**Mayor:** Bill Taylor

### Mayor Pro-Tem:

Melissa Matthews

### Council Members:

Jayton Lindley  
Aubrey Stewart  
Danny Crutchfield  
Charlene Holland

### Employees:

Michele Wardlaw, City Administrator  
Steve Thompson, Supervisor

The meeting was called to order at 6:31 p.m. by Mayor Bill Taylor, with quorum present. Opening prayer was given by Pastor Mark Kraus. Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Texas Flag were recited by all in attendance.

**PUBLIC COMMENTS:** Nate Padilla addressed the council with a concern regarding the old effluent pond smelling after rainfall. George Noelke addressed the council with his concerns about the council discussing raising the Sales and Use Tax by 1%. Mr. Noelke also addressed the council about concerns of the City posting about City property available for lease and his continued concerns for construction the school is doing on Fourth Street and the football field.

**CITYWIDE CLEANUP:** Councilman Holland made a motion to finalize all details for the Citywide Cleanup. With details being 8 a.m.-12:30 p.m. on Saturday June 12, 2021. Councilman Stewart seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

**LEASING OF CITY OWNED LAND:** Councilman Crutchfield made a motion to make a public posting that Blk 105 on the South side of Mertzon is available for leasing. Councilman Lindley seconded. All in favor. Motion passed.

**ANIMAL CONTROL ORDINANCE 6.01:** Council discussed Ordinance 6.01 and made 2 changes to be reviewed at next meeting.

**SALES TAX INCREASE:** Council discussed raising the Sales and Use tax rate 1% from 7.25% to 8.25% to be used in the general fund.

**EQUIPMENT PURCHASE:** Council decided to use the \$8,000.00 set aside for equipment purchases on 3 generators that were available through Federal Surplus Property. No action needed.

**PRIOR MEETING MINUTES:** Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve minutes for May 3, 2021 as written. Councilman Lindley seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

**FINANCIAL DOCUMENTS:** Councilman Stewart made a motion to approve all financial documents. Councilman Holland seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

**DAILY OPERATIONS UPDATE:** Information presented by Supervisor Steve Thompson

1. Locate shut off on Juanita and 5<sup>th</sup> Street, Fayette and 5<sup>th</sup> Street and Sherwood and 5<sup>th</sup> Street
2. Cleaned Kennels
3. Installed 4 new sprinklers at sprinkler field
4. Mowed at Island, Baseball Park, Park, Water plant, Duncan, Spring Creek, Sprinkler field
5. Patched holes
6. Water samples to the lab
7. Hauled trash from creek
8. Worked on creek mowing, raking and hauling brush
9. Fixed water leak at tennis courts, 316 W. Juanita and Wool & Mohair building

**ITEMS FROM COUNCIL:** None

**ADJOURNMENT:** Councilman Matthews made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Lindley seconded. All in favor; motion passed. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.

Signed:  
Mayor



Signed:  
City Administrator

