City of Mertzon

City Council Meeting Minutes August 19, 2019

Regular City Council Meeting

Those Present: Mayor:

Lisa Hight

Mayor Pro-Tem: Melissa Matthews **Council Members:**

Bill Taylor Celica Belcher Charlene Holland Danny Crutchfield **Employees:**

Sheri Benson, City Administrator Steve Thompson, Supervisor

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

Ordinance #19.02-Stop Signs at Intersection of Commerce Street and Main Avenue: Councilman Belcher made a motion to table. Councilman Matthews seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Proposed Tax Rate for 2019 Year: Councilman Matthews made a motion to not add in the I&S rate and remain with the previously approved tax rate from the August 5, 2019, meeting as, .551850 per \$100 valuation. Councilman Holland seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Proposed 2019/2020 General Fund and Water/Sewer Fund Budgets: Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve the updated 2019/2020 General Fund and Water/Sewer Fund Proposed Budgets. Councilman Belcher seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Purchase of Maintainer: Councilman Holland made a motion to purchase the proposed maintainer from Tri-Tex Sales for \$24,500.00. Councilman Belcher seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Prior meeting minutes: Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve August 12, 2019, minutes as written. Councilman Belcher seconded. All in favor; motion passed

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

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

- Accounts payables were submitted for review and initialed by each council member.
- Bank account balances were submitted for review. 2.
- A representative with Schertz Landscaping is compiling an estimate for tree replacement at the islands that were damaged by previous wreck. 3.
- The city has received a "Pet Chip Reader" to better locate owners. 4.
- The "No Parking" signs along Third street were removed. 5.
- The city received a violation from TCEQ for not having a matching label on the HMO double wall container, and the city is currently working with Enprotec/ Hibbs & Todd, Inc., to resubmit corrected information...
- Irion County agreed to partner with the city to repair the parking lot at the Irion County Park; the city will provide the material needed and the county will provide the labor.

Daily Operations Update: Information presented by Administrator Benson.

- Repaired four (4) water leaks.
- Worked on aerators at the wastewater treatment plant.
- Mowed and landscaped around islands and cleared brush within city right-of-ways. 3
- Hauled fourteen (14) loads to burn pit.
- Worked on city work truck #1 and loaded city work truck #2 with parts.
- Patched holes and put up street signs.

Items from the Council:

- Compile a list of employee wage and benefit information from similar municipalities to review at future meeting. 1.
- Repair Fifth street potholes. 2.
- Request from TXDOT when grates are scheduled for cleanout along Highway 67 and Highway 2469.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

Signed: Mayor

City Administrator