City of Mertzon

City Council Meeting Minutes September 9, 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 was led by Pastor Mark Krause.

Pledge of Allegiance and Salute to the Texas Flag were recited by everyone present.

Public comments: None

Resident Flores for Pet Zeus: Councilman Taylor made a motion that no waiving of kenneling fees be made due to consistent owner negligence. Councilman Holland seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Roberts and McGee, CPA Contract: Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve Roberts and McGee, CPA's contract to perform the 2019 yearly audit. Councilman Belcher seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Resolution #19-09-27R: Mayor Hight read aloud Resolution #19-09-27R Hornet Homecoming Parade Road Closure. Councilman Holland made a motion to approve Resolution #19-09-27R as written and move to adopt. Councilman Belcher seconded. All in favor; motion passed.

Ordinance #4.01 Right-of-Way Sanitary Controls Near Public Water Wells: Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve Ordinance #4.01 with one correction on page 5 of ordinance. Councilman Belcher seconded. All in favor; motion passed. Ordinance #4.01 available for audience to review during first reading.

Ordinance #8.01 Franchise Fee-Republic Services, Inc.: Councilman Holland made a motion to approve Ordinance #8.01 as written. Councilman Belcher seconded. All in favor; motion passed. Ordinance #8.01 available for audience to review during first reading.

Ordinance #8.02 Franchise Fee-Texas Disposal Systems: Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve Ordinance #8.02 as written. Councilman Belcher seconded. All in favor; motion passed. Ordinance #8.02 available for audience to review during first reading.

Ordinance #3.01 Compensation for Members of City Council: Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve Ordinance #3.01 with one correction on page 1 of ordinance. Councilman Belcher seconded. All in favor; motion passed. Ordinance #3.01 available for audience to review during first reading.

Prior meeting minutes: Councilman Matthews made a motion to approve August 19, August 23 and August 26, 2019, minutes as written. Councilman Belcher seconded. All in favor; motion passed

Financial documents: Councilman Taylor made a motion to approve all financial documents with correction to O'Reilly's invoice. Councilman Belcher 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.
- Bank account balances were submitted for review.
- Follow up on residential account #970, one payment has been made for \$160. 3.
- An email was sent out to various cities requesting employee wages and benefits offered.
- 5. One (1) of two (2) Sanitary Control Easement regarding the Robertson well has been received.
- Ingress and regress easements with Texas Pacifico Railroad will need to be evaluated for current contractual obligations.
- MIC has received a copy of approved gaming laboratories per Ordinance 15.03. 7.
- City Wide Cleanup is scheduled for October 12, 2019 at 9:00am.
- Towing companies in San Angelo will not assist with junked vehicles per Ordinance #13.02; other towing companies will be contacted.
- 10. Employee Forgus will be attending Basic Water Operation training next week.
- 11. Upcoming ordinances to address will be water rates and sales tax.
- 12. An electrician will be contacted due to electrical problems at city hall.
- 13. An increase of water usage contributing to high water bills has been addressed by many residents. Office personnel will evaluate water trends during the next billing cycle and update council.

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

- Repaired five (5) water leaks and replaced two (2) meters.
- Water and wastewater labs were submitted.
- 3. Mowed islands, parks, Hwy 2469 and Broadway.
- 4. Assisted Irion County with repair to parking lot at football field and county park.
- Worked on HMO distribution at water treatment plant.
- Repaired wet well at wastewater treatment plant.
- Locating lines connecting the north and south effluent ponds per request of EHT/ Hibbs and Todd, Inc.
- Patched holes on various streets.

<b>Adjournment:</b> Councilman Holland made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Matthews seconded.	Al	l in f	avor; motion passed.
Meeting adjourned at 2:47 p.m.	1	0	

Signed: Mayor

City Administrator