

June 12, 2017 Regularly Stated Meeting

Present: Mayor Jack Coleman

Council Members: Roger Keck, Ricky Speer, Albert Dickson Jr., Sherrye Stallings Mills, Penny Jones

Mayor called Meeting to Order at 7 pm.

Invocation given by Roger.

Minutes to April 10th's Regular meeting were read by Teresa Johnson. Minutes to April 10th's Meeting were Approved as read.

Minutes to Called Meeting on April 24th, 2017 were read by Teresa Johnson. Minutes were Approved as read.

May 9th, 2017 no quorum present.

Minutes to Called Meeting on May 15th, 2017 were read by Teresa Johnson. Change to the Hwy being Hwy 193 coming from Mingus into Gordon. Minutes were Approved with the Change.

Old Business:

Steve Larison with the Sewer Leak on Jefferson Rd, in Dec 2016. Steve presented a brief summary of the leakage for Council Members some were unaware of the situation. And asked for a reduction of his Water Bill of \$100, to offset the loss of future Property Value until he were to sell the property. Kenneth gave his understanding on situation. More research needs to be done to figure out what needs to be done. – Tabled

Austin St. Closure – John Sizemore

John had Petition, paperwork from the school showing their approval of the Petition through their Board meeting and a schematic of a drawing of a house plan of a house that John was to wanting to build on the land. Discussion on Pros and Cons of the closure from council members that led to the Motion by Roger to Close Austin St, with all costs going to John Sizemore, and John being the one to file necessary paperwork to the county. Then there was an amendment to the Motion that there be a 10 ft easement added to the middle of the street per property Owner, added by Penny Jones. Motion and amendment was clarified, then all voted for. Motion with amendment Carried.

Trash Transition – Progressive Waste, has not picked up all the old green dumpsters. Take them all out to the Water Treatment Plant .Knox Waste Service driver drove over scales behind garage – bakery. Suzanne said that they were talking back and forth, seemed to be going good.

New Business:

Closure of Alley behind Roger Keck & Penny Jones (Kyle Owens owns Long Estate) Survey was given to all Council Members showing the Alleyway and fence lines that this survey shows and where sewer lines are on Owens property. Discussion led to more research into Evaluations of Easements & Alleyways – and more for this Alley – Tabled.

Barton Water Contract – Barton Water did not agree with the Increased Rate. Discussion led to the Motion made by Albert to fill contract with the Rate of \$6.21, 2nd by Roger, All Voted For, Motion Carried.

Discuss & Approve In-Line Meters – like from Gordon to Bar- B, from City limits to see if there will be leaks. Discussion lead to more research for cost effectiveness. – Tabled

4th of July Celebration – Ice Cream 10 gallons order from Mingus Quick Stop, Hot Dogs (400) from Sams.

Discussion & Approval of Employee Meals – Everyday meal if employee were in town were they were in town should it be approved to get meals paid? Motion made by Sherrye to permit \$20 per month and \$10 per meal, for 2 out of town meals and not carried over, Voted 2 for and 3 against. Motion failed.

Discuss & Approve City Website & Google Domain - \$5 per employee / per user per month or Premium is \$10 per employee per user per month to be able to have ability to have an event page and edit one page. EDC should be able to do this. – Tabled

Discuss & Approve Paying Bills by the 10th of Month – Bills that are due on or before the 10th, Roger made the Motion to pay the bills by the 10th of the Month, 2nd by Sherrye. 3 Voted for 1 obtained. Motion Carried.

Discuss & Approve Meters at all Unmetered Locations – City Hall, Fire Department, Community Center. Meters run about \$54.95 each. Dropped.

Discuss & Approve Tablet & Square Purchase for City Hall to Accept Credit Card payment – 2.75 % charge on Credit Cards that swiped and 3.25% charge on Credit Cards that are not present. Ricky Made Motion to purchase iPad and Square around \$300 - \$500 for the ability to accept Credit Card as payments for Water Bills, 2nd by Penny. All Voted for. Motion Carried.

Discuss & Approve Health & Liability Insurance Increase and Renewal – Renewal of Health Insurance this year will include \$102.18 per employee totaling \$6,130.80 yearly TML Liability Insurance 1.25% Increase from last year. Sherrye made Motion to Accept Insurance Increase and Renewal, 2nd by Ricky. All Voted for. Motion Carried.

Discuss & Approve Acrobat Purchase – Discussion led to not getting DC, which was monthly fee. And looking into Hard copy. About \$400 - \$600, - Tabled.

Discuss Budget 2017-2018 Workshop date – June 26th 7 pm. , Public Hearing on July 10th @ 6pm, @ Community Center before the Council Meeting.

Discuss & Approve Changing of Office Hours – Mon – Thurs 7:30-4:30, Fr 8-11 giving Teresa 35 hours weekly. Motion Made by Penny to change Office Hours and giving Secretary 35 hours weekly. 2nd by Roger. All Voted. Motion Carried.

Discuss & Approve Municipal Classes fir Certification thru UNT - Classes and Seminars and Exams with a opportunity after completion Certification. Penny Made Motion and Sherrye 2nd for City Secretary to start Municipal Classes. All Voted for. Motion Carried.

Discuss & Approve to replace Park Light fixture- \$344 for Replacement of the Park light fixture with a switch in the Box. Albert made Motion to Replace the Fixture, Penny 2nd, All Voted For. Motion Carried.

Discuss & Approve Palo Pinto County Tax Collection - Ricky made Motion to Approve the Tax Collection from the County, 2nd by Sherrye, All Voted For, Motion Carried.

Albert made motion to pay all Bills, 2nd by Penny. All Voted for. Motion Carried.
Meeting Closed @ 10:20 pm.

Teresa Johnson, City Secretary

Jack Coleman, Mayor