

March 13, 2017

Present: Mayor Jack Coleman

Council Members: Sherry Pierce, Roger Keck, Ricky Speer, Albert Dickson Jr.

Absent: Morgan Clark

Mayor called Meeting to Order at 7 pm.

Invocation given by Roger

Minutes to February's meeting were read by Teresa Johnson with Addition of 4 Rolling Dumpsters added to the Knox Wastes' Proposals. The Minutes were Accepted with Additions.

Public Comments:

Penny Jones addressed Council with concerns over "talk" that Mayor was saying negative comments to others about a City employee's job was in jeopardy. She was showing concerns with wanting the issues to be resolved. Mayor and Council voiced their concerns over the issue also.

Derek Turner gave update TWDB Loan with a handout showing the Project Budget and with 2 options for Water Price Increases to analysis to cover cost of loan payment and any other improvements that are wanting to be done at that time he will be back in April with final numbers from the TWDB Grant/Loan for City Council to make decision.

Ricky gave an update on the EDC future property purchase for the clinic. There were concerns with the Driveway & fence. After survey they should proceed with the sale of the property.

Lightning Arrest from the Lightning Prevention Company has been installed at the Water Plant.

John Sizemore – with closure of Austin St. Discussion on legality of issues. Tabled until more information can be found from a lawyer.

Discuss Increase in Water/ Sewer Rates – Handouts for Mayor and Council Members were given with Profit/Loss for Water Works for July 2016 – Feb 2017 and an Excel sheet showing the water loss from Jan 2016 – to present. Tabled for Special Meeting for March 28, 2017, 7 pm.

Discuss & Approve Sealed Bids for 2001 Chevy Pickup – Bids for pick up were:

- Gene Pierce \$2000
- Ted Young \$2052
- Albert Dickson Jr. \$2300

Albert Dickson Jr, won the Bids, Sherry made Motion to sell to Albert, Roger 2nd. All Voted for. Motion Carried.

Roger made motion to go with Knox Waste Service when / or if contract discontinues with Progressive. Contract is officially up in June. 2nd by Sherry. All voted for. Motion Carried.

City Clean Up Day – April 22nd Donations for Flowers, Haul off trash, clean up... Food and Tshirts. Ricky made motion to donate \$500 out of Sales Tax for Clean Up, 2nd by Roger, All Voted for. Motion Carried.

Update of FEMA Projects – Discussion on accepting Bids from same companies that are bidding with City of Mingus with their FEMA projects hoping to be able to get them to consider a cheaper rate for being in the same region at the same time frame. No Vote taken at this time.

City Credit Card cannot be granted without a City Officials Credit information also, waiting for Albany/ Breckenridge Bank to offer a Credit Card which is suppose to be in the works with no official date to be available soon.

City Purchase Order program is going well, all city employees are working with the system effectively.

Discussion of Water Plant Work Schedule and City Employees PayDay – Chase offered a schedule for the guys at the Water plant to work 40 hours a week, with 1 guy working every 3rd weekend and taking a day off during the week before the weekend that they are working. Then changing the Payday to Bi Weekly which will make the payday starting day on Monday at 12:01am and ending 2 weeks on Sunday at midnight. Then getting Paid on the following Friday. Motion Made by Ricky the Bi Weekly PayDay and Work Schedule, 2nd by Roger, All Voted For. Motion Carried.

Motion made by Ricky for Teresa Johnson to be added to all the City's Bank Accounts:

- Sales Tax - 300951455
- Water Works – 300956406
- General – 303018105
- Conway – 300955485
- Interest & Sinking – 303018172
- Heritage Park – 303020754
- Hotel/ Motel Tax – 303018423
- Construction – 303018466
- Museum / Library – 303018482
- Community Center Construction Fund – 303018490

And to put Teresa Johnson's name on the City's Debit Card. 2nd by Roger. All Voted for. Motion Carried.

Discussion on Air Dryer need at Water Plant costing about \$2800. Helps the Microfilter enables to be less costly to repair than the current one and adds more life to existing one. Roger made motion to pay for the Air Dryer out of Sales Tax Account, 2nd by Sherry. All Voted for. Motion Carried.

Mayor introduced the Purchase Order policy that was signed by all employees, which covered the Cell Phone issue.

Ricky made motion to Pay all Bills, 2nd by Roger. All Voted for. Motion Carried.

Meeting Closed @ 9:06 pm.

Teresa Johnson, City Secretary

Jack Coleman, Mayor