

MINUTES – January 8, 2025

The regular monthly meeting of the Big Flat City Council was held on Wednesday, Jan. 8 instead of the regular meeting date of 2nd Thursday due to expected snow event. The change of time was posted as required.

Council Member Present: Shawn Shelton, Kim Shelton, Sharon White, Lonnie Holt, & Bonnie Sutterfield

Guests & Others: Bobby Wallis, Fire Chief, T. J. Woodbury, Eric Payne, J.P. & wife, Misty, Glenda Milner, & Terry Mize.

Reminded Council Member to turn in Financial Reports by January, 31,2025.

Mike read the December 12 Regular Meeting Minutes, the December 23 Special Meeting Minutes, & the Bank Reconciliations for the General Fund, Building Fund, Street Fund, Fire Fund, ARPA Fund, & Water Project Fund.

As all Council members & Recorder/Treasurer present at this time, Eric Payne, J.P. were sworn into their new term in office.

Water Dept. Report. Rich read the Water Bank Reconciliations. Stated he had taken to Fifty-Six City Hall the payment for the last of the water purchased at \$3.00/1000 gal before they locked the pump from our use. A copy of the current agreement was enclosed. (See attached) Shared situation w/Jerrod Ramsey & past due water bill w/Council consensus for Rich to invite Jeff Ramsey, owner of house, to C.C. Meeting so could work with him. Recently a Letter re rules for late & non-payment had been sent to customers. Due to below 20 degree temps pump experienced low power problems. David Wallis, Entergy, sent engineer & problems were relieved. Generator was used for a time. At time of report pump keeping up with demand.

Fire Dept. New turnouts were shown at meeting. Reported no runs for past month. "Stated requested batteries had been installed"

. Mike reported that new vehicles were now insured & proof of insurance placed in vehicles.

Motion by Sharon, 2nd by Lonnie to accept the minutes & reports as read. All Voted – Passed

Glenda reported that closing on parking lot property scheduled for Jan. 13th @ 3:00. Resolution needed

Resolution 192025 read with motion following by Shawn, 2nd by Bonnie to adopt said resolution. All Voted – Passed.

Mike reported nothing on Rural Special and Safety Foam

Discussed the Fifty-Six water rate increase situation. Glenda reported on phone calls, e-mails, & certified letter requesting Fifty-Six's latest Water Rate Study. (See attached for details). Have had NO response. Council request Glenda to continue to search for answers from ANRC, Dept. of Agriculture, Engineer(s), & Chris Harris, Rural Water for how to deal with breach of contract.

Motion to adjourn by Sharon, 2nd by Shawn. All Voted – Adjourned.



Mike Treat, Recorder/Treasurer