

MNUTES – March 21, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Big Flat City Council was held March 21 due to severe storm warnings for the area during the hours on March 14.

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

Others present: Rich Hiter, Water Operator, Fire Chief Bobby Wallis, Asst Chief T.J. Woodbury, Greg Powell, Clint Maxwell, & Jerry Maxwell

Clint & Jerry Maxwell have purchased the Big Flat Tire & Auto from D.J. & Brittany Johnson & are wanting to have the lease placed in their names. Had been given a copy of lease & stated they did not want to make any changes. Council approved the lease to be placed in the names of Clint & Jerry Maxwell. Lease in their names will be available for their signatures.

Minutes & Bank Reconciliations for General Fund, Building Fund, Street Fund, & Fire Fund were read. ARPA & Community Center Renovation Funds unchanged.

Water Dept. Report: Electric motor installed in Emergency Pump House & working. Lines were flushed. Water clear of air w/leak in chlorinator line repaired. Rich & Glenda met with Chris Harris from AR. Rural Water Assn. re Rate Study. Next month will have ordinances to consider & pass re increase in water rates & revenue bonds.

Fire Dept Report: Three (3) runs. Motion to acknowledge payment to Overhead Door Co. in amount of \$815.63 by Ck # 2010 for repair of Door #1 in FH #1 due & payable by February 26, 2024 by Kim, 2nd by Sharon. All Voted – Passed.

Motion by Shawn, 2nd by Lonnie to accept the Minutes & Reports as read. All Voted - passed

Motion by Shawn, 2nd by Lonnie to contract with Charles Hafner for 2024 to mow City Part at rate of \$275/job at his discretion of need & to do Weed Eating of City Property at the rate of \$375.00/job for 6 times after which would need Council approval for more times. All Voted – passed

Motion by Lonnie, 2nd by Bonnie to Contract with Charles Hafner to install the following in OLR Bathroom: Fixtures, Drain line placement including labor at a cost of \$2,640.00. In addition at a cost of \$2,200.00 to weatherproof the outside of bathroom to include: concrete blocks for footings, treated lumber & foiled back foam insulation for underpinning, finishing the side walls & underpinning with white metal siding for a total cost of \$4,840.00.

Glenda reported that Ernestine McDaniel, Mayor of Fifty-Six has again suggested a meeting between the cities during the Fifty-Six Council Meeting on March 18. Explained that I was not available on that evening and would get with Big Flat Council for a suitable date. Council requested that Rich Hiter, Mike Treat, & Glenda go as could not depend that everyone would be available on a given evening. The three agreed & Glenda will let her know on Friday.

Homecoming: Kim reported that vendors would again be offered space at the same fee as last year.

The old/used tires are being removed from the Big Flat Tire & Auto property.

City is being audited for 2022 & 2023.

Presented Resolution for Baxter Co. Hazard Mitigation Plan to Council. All agreed we have nothing to mitigate so chose not participate.