

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF SHALLOWATER, MAY 1, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M.
WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

ROYKING POTTER

MAYOR

AMANDA CUMMINGS

CITY SECRETARY

ASHLEY CARR

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

WILL GRIFFIS (VIA CONFERENCE CALL)

CITY ATTORNEY

RUSSEL MOSES

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

ALDERMAN:

CHRIS CODY

LOGAN SCARLETT

JASON WHITE

TROT WHITE

KYLE YEAGER

Others Present: Kyle Krueger, Leonard Nail, Linda Crisp, Dennis Crisp, Cody Crisp, Lee Romo, Jeremy Stewart, Thomas Parker, Ruben Ponce, Brian Beech, Brent Turner, Shawn Claunch, James Andrews, Nathan Rigler, and Alex Gross

Pledge Of Allegiance: The meeting was opened at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Potter.

Invocation: Invocation was offered by Mayor Pro Tem Chris Cody.

Public Hearing for a Variance for a Carport at 1305 5th Street for Mr. Crisp: Mayor Potter opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. The hearing was closed at 7:37 p.m.

Public Hearing for a Variance for a Metal Storage Building at 839 Avenue S for Mr. Romo: Mayor Potter opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. The hearing was closed at 7:37 p.m.

Public Hearing for a Variance to Install a Septic System at the Church of Christ West of Avenue Q: Mayor Potter opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. The hearing was closed at 7:37 p.m.

Public Hearing for a Variance for a New Sanctuary at 606 Clovis Road for Iglesias Fuente De Vida: Mayor Potter opened the public hearing at 7:02 p.m. The hearing was closed at 7:37 p.m.

Open Forum: Mayor Potter opened the public forum at 7:02 p.m. Brooks Mulanax presented to the council that the Shallowater Little League had been given the privilege of hosting two

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tournaments this year for the league, one at the district level and one at the state level. He stated that the 10U District Tournament will be June 20th-25th and the 12U State Tournament will be June 27th-July 2nd. Mr. Mulanax presented to the council a map showing the roads that they would need blocked off for each tournament. He stated that these two tournaments would bring money to the city and they have plans to involve local establishments in each tournament. He also stated that they would work with the fire department to make sure that emergency services were not blocked during the tournaments. Mr. Mulanax stated that the Little League Board would like to offer a food truck and local vendors to set up in the grass area by City Hall to offer eating and shopping for all the guest from out of town. Amanda Cummings stated that the splash pad at Young City Park would be open during that time for visitors to use along with other businesses in town. Mr. Mulanax stated that they want to offer all food and vendors to locals first. Russel Moses stated he wanted to commend the crew at Shallowater EMS on their stellar work. EMS had a surprise state inspection this last week and it was the first-time state inspectors had been here since 2016. They passed the inspection with flying colors. Amanda Cummings stated that early voting would be open until 6:00 p.m. on May 2nd and that election day would be May 6th and voting would be open from 7:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m. on that day.

Department Reports:

Fire Department: Jeremy Stewart asked if there were any question on Chief Cory Buck's report. There were none. The report was as follows.

Our newest tanker was involved in a serious crash on March 5th. The truck left the roadway and rolled several times. Both firefighters were transported to the hospital and ended up having minor injuries. One member was trapped and had to be extricated. As a fire chief, this is something that keeps you up at night. Thank the Lord that they both were being watched out for. A special thank you to all the people who helped and called to check on our people, as well as those that continue to help with getting everything taken care of for TML so that we can get our claim taken care of. As soon as TML has finished the claim process for the totaled tanker, I will start working with Daco Fire on getting it replaced in the quickest and most cost-effective way possible. Several members of our department took part in training at the Lubbock Area Fire Conference April 3rd-6th. We received the information we have been waiting on from the adjuster about the payout on our tanker. It is more than what I was expecting but we will still have to find some additional funding due to inflation costs. The Texas Forest Service and the USDA both have grant funding for this type of situation. Amanda and I our working to get these applications filled out and sent in.

Emergency Management: Thomas Parker asked if there were any questions on the report, there were none. Chief Buck mentioned they are preparing for the start of severe weather season. All storm sirens have been tested and are operational. Shallowater Alert is operational.

Municipal Court: Ashley Carr presented the court numbers to council on behalf of Judge TJ McAuley. She stated the current case counts as follows, three truancy, one pre-trial, seven payment arrangements, one community service, two driver safety, two deferrals, ninety-four warrants and one minor warrant.

Police Department: James Andrews stated that Chief Williams was out of town. He stated that we lost another officer, Chris Nathman, took a job with a different agency. He said that they were trying to recruit to fill the now two openings in the department. Officer Andrews stated that Chief Williams reached out to South Plains College and South Plains Association of Government but they have not received any applications. He stated that the department had been approved for the JAG Grant that Chief Williams applied for which is for the in-car video cameras. The grant will be awarded in October. Chief Williams also applied for a Click-It and Ticket program that will run from May 22nd-June 4th. Officer Andrews stated that they need air duct cleaning and Chief Williams got an estimate from a company to have that done. Officer Andrews presented a resolution for a grant to be signed by Mayor Potter.

Consider and Discuss Resolution for the Office of the Governor Rifle Resistant

Body Armor Grant: Alderman J. White made the motion to adopt the resolution as presented. Alderman Scarlett made the second. Motion carried with all in favor.

Code Enforcement: Officer Shawn Claunch asked if there were any questions on his report, there were none. His report stated that there were five code enforcement calls this month, totaling twenty-seven for this year.

Public Works: Ruben Ponce presented the following report. Water production from our well field totaled 12,363,000 gallons, 10,240,000 gallons of which entered distribution, equaling 79% of water consumption. Reject and wastewater from the Water Treatment Plant totaled 2,123,000 gallons. Water usage from the City of Lubbock totaled 251,000 gallons, constituting 2.3% of total water usage. Wastewater flow for the month was 9,060,500 gallons, with an average flow of 292,000 gallons per day. Public Works employees handled a major water leak at the corner of Avenue L and Loop 388 quickly, along with performing repairs on the well house for Well #7, repairing damage due to the violent windstorms this month. Extensive and

thorough maintenance was done on both the Water Treatment Plant and the Wastewater Treatment Plant, as well as the lift stations at both the Water Plant and the City Park. Water meters and service lines were updated at 1209 7th St., 1422 5th St., 1432 & 1434 14th St., 1430 15th St., 1208 10th St., and 606 Clovis Road. New sewer taps were performed for 807 & 805 12th St., and sewer line repairs were performed at 801 14th St. and 903 13th St. Public Works employees continue to work on streets and alley maintenance, including repair of potholes and crumbling roadside along the majority of Ave Q. Pot hole repairs remain ongoing, along with maintenance on the wastewater collection system, water distribution system, animal control facilities, and the city park, as well as continuing education for Public Works Employees.

Consider And Discuss Water and Sewer Updates and Engineering Report-

Leonard Nail, Parkhill: Leonard stated that they are currently working on amending the regional water plan. He stated that TWDB, DWSRF and CWSRF were all accepted and the city will receive an invitation to the table to seek the funding.

Consider And Discuss Preliminary Plat for City Owned Land West of Avenue Q and South of 5th Street Named Shallowater Business Park:

Leonard Nail presented the council with a copy of the preliminary plat. Mayor Potter explained to the council that by accepting the preliminary plat, amendments could be made in the future as they see fit. Leonard recommended dedicating the two right of ways, one north of the Catholic Church and one south of the Church of Christ. Alderman Yeager made the motion to dedicate the right of ways as presented and to accept the preliminary plat for city owned land west of Ave Q and South of 5th street named Shallowater Business Park. Alderman J. White made the second. Motion carried with all in favor.

Consider And Discuss Bids and Parkhill Opinion for Awarding the Construction Contract for the Water Treatment Plant HCL Vapor Scrubber:

Leonard stated that on April 11th, there were two bids received for the scrubbers. One bid was from L. Howard Construction, Inc. and one bid was from Trew Contracting Solutions, LLC. The lowest bid was from L. Howard Construction, Inc. at \$60,500.49. Leonard stated that L. Howard Construction, Inc. built the water plant and his recommendation was to accept their bid and allow them to do to the job. Mayor Potter agreed and stated that we have had nothing but success with everything L. Howard Construction, Inc. has done for the city. Alderman Yeager made the motion to accept the bid from L. Howard Construction, Inc. awarding them the construction contract for the water plant HCL vapor scrubber project for \$60,500.49. Alderman Scarlett made the second. Motion carried with all in favor.

Consider And Discuss Variance for a Carport at 1305 5th Street for Mr. Crisp:

Alderman J. White made the motion to approve the variance for a carport at 1305 5th street for Mr. Crisp. Alderman Yeager made the second. Motion carried with all in favor.

Consider And Discuss Variance for a Metal Storage Building at 839 Avenue S for

Mr. Romo: Alderman J. White made the motion to approve the variance for a metal storage building at 839 Ave S for Mr. Romo. Alderman Scarlett made the second. Motion carried with all in favor.

Consider and Discuss Variance to Install a Septic System at the Church of Christ

West of Avenue Q: Nathan Rigler, with Hugo Reed asked why a variance was needed and explained how the variance would benefit the Church of Christ. Mayor Potter explained that the city did not want to set a precedence by allowing a septic system inside the city limits. There was further discussion regarding this issue and Mayor Potter requested further information to discuss the item at a later date. No action was taken.

Consider and Discuss Variance for a New Sanctuary at 606 Clovis Road for

Iglesias Fuente De Vida: Alderman J. White made the motion to approve the variance for a new sanctuary at 606 Clovis Road for Iglesias Fuente De Vida. Alderman Scarlett made the second. Motion carried with all in favor.

Consider and Discuss SC Tracking Solutions Contract for Backflow, Fats, Oils, and

Grease, and Cross Connection Control Program: Russel Mosses stated that SC Tracking is a company that handles the majority of the paper work for backflow testing. He stated that the city would not be out any money for this company to do the work that takes us hours to do. The fee would be charged to the inspectors and then paid to SC Tracking. Alderman Cody made the motion to accept the contract from SC Tracking Solutions and to charge inspectors a fee of \$15.00. Alderman J. White made the second. Motion carried with all in favor.

Consider and Discuss City Involvement with the Babe Ruth Cal Ripken West

Texas Regional Baseball Tournament that will be Held in Shallowater in June to

Encourage Local Spending: Alderman Scarlett made the motion to approve city involvement with the Babe Ruth Cal Ripken West Texas Regional Baseball Tournament. Alderman J. White made the second. Motion carried with all in favor.

Consider Minutes of Previous Meeting: Alderman J. White made the motion to approve the minutes from previous meeting. Alderman Yeager made the second. Motion carried with all in favor.

Consider Financial Report: Alderman Cody made the motion to approve the financial report. Alderman Yeager made the second. Motion carried with all in favor.

Consider Bills Payable: Alderman J. White made the motion to approve the bills payable. Alderman Yeager made the second. Motion carried with all in favor.

The council went into executive session to discuss the following items under section 551.071 of the government code regarding consultation with city attorney and section 551.072 of the government code regarding deliberations about real property at 8:01 p.m. to discuss testing results from AGS on the potential new water source.

The Council reconvened in regular session at 8:20 p.m.

Consider and Discuss Testing Results from AGS on Potential New Water Source:

Mayor Potter explained that the city will do further research on this item. No action was taken.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:20 p.m.

Amanda Cummings, City Secretary

Royking Potter, Mayor