

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF SHALLOWATER, DECEMBER 19, 2023 AT 7:00 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

ROYKING POTTER

MAYOR

ASHLEY CARR

ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT

RUSSEL MOSES

CITY ADMINISTRATOR

ALDERMAN:

LOGAN SCARLETT

CHRIS CODY

JASON WHITE

TROY WHITE

Others Present: Ruben Ponce, Jeremy Stewart, Shawn Claunch, James Andrews, Brian Williams, Scott Schleicher, Koby Bolander

Pledge Of Allegiance: The meeting was opened at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Potter.

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

Open Forum: Open forum was opened at 7:03 p.m.

Department Reports:

Fire Department: Jeremy Stewart stated that the Lubbock County Commissioners approved their yearly critical needs grant request of \$45,454.00 and they have begun ordering the equipment they requested from that grant. He stated that the yearly reimbursement through the Texas Forest Service has been submitted. Mr. Stewart updated the council on Toys for Tykes stating that \$6,986.85 was raised which allowed the Fire Department to support 16 families with a total of 46 children.

Emergency Management: No new business.

Municipal Court: Judge McAuley was unable to attend. No new business.

Police Department: Chief Williams stated that the department purchased a new patrol vehicle and parts have been ordered to have it outfitted for patrol. He stated that they have received the new in-car camera systems that were purchased off of a grant and the installs have started for those cameras.

Code Enforcement: Officer Claunch stated that there have been five calls for code enforcement this month and all five calls were closed.

Public Works: Water drawn from our well field totaled 610,900 gallons; 82% of which was treated and distributed, totaling 506,300 gallons. Rejected wastewater from the Water Treatment Plant was 91,800 gallons-about 18%. Rejected amount was higher due to EDR Stack repairs conducted. Water demand from the City of Lubbock came to 2,924,000 gallons, constituting 85% of our total water usage for the month. Which, while lower than last month, was still higher than usual due to EDR Stack issues, rectified at the end of the month. Wastewater flow for the month was 6,040,200 gallons, with an average flow of 201,340 gallons per day, putting us at roughly 69% of system capacity for the month. Quite a bit of focus this past month was on maintenance, on both City property and at the Water Plant. The last shredding's of the year and planting of the next crop at the farm took place, as well as repairs on some of the City's heavy equipment. New meters were installed at 1401 7th St; 1406, 1408, & 1410 8th St; and 803 Ave U, to replace high usage and broken meters. One water tap was performed at 507 Ave V, and a repair on the sewer main at 518 Ave R was also completed. As mentioned, repairs were done on 2 EDR stacks just before Thanksgiving, lowering our dependency on Lubbock water for the remainder of the month and onward. Updates and repairs on the rest of the system, including new chlorinators and injectors remain ongoing into December. Extensive repairs on alleyways in the vicinity of 16th to 18th St on the Northwest side of town along with sourcing and obtaining quality fill material began, and continues across town as we come to the year's end. Public Works employees continue to work on grounds upkeep Citywide, pothole repairs, alleyway repair, and mowing/shredding along with continuing their education, obtaining licensing, and intensive record keeping overhaul.

Consider and Discuss Sealed Bids for 2010 Ford F150: Mayor Potter stated that Koby Bolander had the highest bid for the 2010 F150 at \$1,500.00. Alderman Cody made the motion to accept the bid for the 2010 Ford F150 and award it to Mr. Bolander. Alderman J. White made the second. Motion carried with four in favor and Alderman Yeager absent.

Consider and Discuss Backhoe Lease with Warren Cat: Russel Moses stated that the price did go up a little from the last lease we did in 2018 but we went from six payments down to five. He stated that all in all it's a great deal for a brand-new machine. Alderman J. White made the motion to approve the new backhoe lease as presented with Warren Cat. Alderman Scarlett made the second. Motion carried with four in favor and Alderman Yeager absent.

Consider and Discuss Water and Sewer Updates and Engineering Report-

Leonard Nail, Parkhill: Leonard was unable to attend. This item was tabled until January.

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

Consider Financial Report: Alderman Cody made the motion to approve the financial report. Alderman T. White made the second. Motion carried with four in favor and Alderman Yeager absent.

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

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 7:35 p.m.

Amanda Cummings, City Secretary

Royking Potter, Mayor