REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL, CITY OF SHALLOWATER, OCTOBER 15, 2024 AT 7:00 P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

ROYKING POTTER	ALDERMAN:
MAYOR	CHRIS CODY
AMANDA CUMMINGS	LOGAN SCARLETT
CITY SECRETARY	TROY WHITE
NIKKI CORONADO	
DEPUTY CITY SECRETARY	
WILL GRIFFIS	
CITY ATTORNEY (VIA CONFERENCE CALL)	

Others Present: Leonard Nail, Kyle Krueger, James Andrews, Jeremy Stewart, Shawn Claunch, TJ McAuley, and Ruben Ponce

Pledge Of Allegiance: The meeting was opened at 7:10 p.m. by Mayor Potter.

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

Open Forum: Open forum was opened at 7:10 p.m. by Mayor Potter. Mayor Potter closed open forum at 8:18 p.m.

Public Hearing for Variance Request for Carport to be Placed at 405 Clovis Road Space 112 for Toni Chapman: Mayor Potter opened the hearing at 7:10 p.m. Mayor Potter explained the hearing would remain open for at least thirty minutes and asked if there was anyone present to speak. The hearing was closed at 8:17 p.m.

Department Reports:

Fire Department: Chief Buck presented a written report. He mentioned that they received the new truck and it was purchased through funds received from the county for critical needs. There were no questions.

Consider and Discuss the Quote from Siddons Martin to Outfit Chief 62, the New Command Vehicle: Alderman Scarlett made the motion to approve the quote from Siddons Martin for $7,610.84 to outfit the new command truck. Alderman T. White made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

Emergency Management: Chief Buck was present and a written report was presented. There were no questions.

Municipal Court: TJ McAuley provided the report. He stated that there is one new case, two truancies, eleven show cause, four deferred, zero on driver safety courses, five awaiting trial, and 121 warrants.

Police Department: Assistant Chief Andrews stated call volume is up and asked if there were any questions on the written report. There were none.

Consider and Discuss Quote from Grapevine Dodge on New Durango and Trading in a Police Truck: Asst. Chief Andrews mentioned that of the two quotes presented the 2024 Durango is no longer available. He stated that Grapevine Dodge only has the 2025 Durango in stock and the price is $46,571. It is approximately $1,200 more than the 2024 model, but there are no more 2024 models available. He also mentioned that they were only offered $8,000 as a trade in value on the pickup so it will not be traded. Mayor Potter mentioned that the new vehicle was budgeted for. Alderman T. White asked if not trading the truck in made a significant impact to the budgeted amount. Asst. Chief Andrews said no. There was discussion about the truck continuing to be utilized by the department. Alderman T. White made the motion to approve the purchase of a 2024 Dodge Durango from Grapevine Dodge for $46,571.00. Alderman Scarlett made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

Code Enforcement: Officer Claunch provided a written report. There were no questions. He asked how we proceed on getting the weeds taken care of at 609 Ave L. Shawn said he has contacted her several times to no avail and we are getting several complaints on it. He said the weeds, fence, and trees are out of control. He said the weeds are six feet tall. He cannot contact her and he has tried to call her several times. The property was cleaned up before by Alderman White and some others because she is elderly and expressed that she could not afford the cleanup. Mayor Potter said a citation can be issued. Shawn said that it has been one excuse after the other as to why she cannot do it. Amanda stated that we just need to get bids to get it cleaned up and then we can place a lien on the property if she does not pay the bill. Alderman Scarlett said he would take a look at it.

Public Works: Ruben Ponce presented a written report. There were no questions.

Consider and Discuss Quote from Veolia on a Complete Replacement Stack for the EDR: Veolia sent a quote for $62,97.00 to replace a stack. Ruben said he did not think it would benefit us that greatly because we may only get 10-15 gallons more per min. Kyle Krueger stated that it is not going to increase our production by much of a benefit, for that amount of money. Mayor Potter stated that that his recommendation is not to do it. The council agreed. There was discussion if it could cost more down the road if we do not replace the stack and Ruben said he could not guarantee that there would not be issues, but he did not think it would be that expensive to repair them. He said they are doing the recommended maintenance on the system. No action was taken on this item.

Consider and Discuss Water and Sewer Updates and Engineering Report-Leonard Nail, Parkhill: Leonard Nail stated that the emergency wastewater project is on hold until we receive the pump that we have been waiting on for several months. He said it is still on schedule for November.

Consider and Discuss Application Affidavit TWDB-0201 Requesting Financial Assistance from the Texas Water Development Board: Amanda explained that these are required forms needed for the D Fund Application. Alderman T. White asked if this is the approval for submitting the application. Amanda stated yes, this application is for the planning and design for all the projects needed along with the acquisition of a new water source. She added that during the eighteen months of planning and design cost savings may be found from the engineers, but this gets the ball rolling so the projects will be construction ready when we apply for the State Revolving Funds (SRF). Leonard explained that the SRF will open in March of 2026. Amanda explained that for those that were not at the Raftelis workshop the SRF applications are when we will apply for loan forgiveness because those programs are not offered on D Funds. Mayor Potter explained that he does not see where the city has a choice and this is what we have been discussing to make sure that we can provide the services to citizens when Lubbock water is no longer available. Alderman Cody made the motion to accept the Application Affidavit TWDB-0201 requesting financial assistance from the Texas Water Development Board. Alderman T. White made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

Consider and Discuss the application Filing and Authorized Representative Resolution TWDB-201A Requesting Financial Assistance from the Texas Water Development Board in an Amount not to Exceed $8,400,000 for the Costs for the Planning, Design, and Acquisition of a New Water Source for Capacity and Planning and Design for Water Treatment and Wastewater Treatment Improvements from the TWDB D Fund: Alderman T. White made the motion to approve the application filing and Authorized Representative Resolution TWDB-201A Requesting Financial Assistance from the Texas Water Development Board in an Amount not to Exceed $8,400,000 for the cost of planning, design, and acquisition of a new water source for capacity and the planning and design for water and wastewater improvements from the Texas Water Development Board D Fund. Alderman Scarlett made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

Consider and Discuss TWDB-201B Application Resolution- Certificate of Secretary to be Filed with the D Fund Application on October 22, 2024: Alderman Cody made the motion to approve the TWDB-201B Application Resolution- Certificate of Secretary to be Filed with the D Fund Application as presented. Alderman Scarlett made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

Consider and Discuss Water Rates from Raftelis: Amanda explained that she received their presentation today and emailed it to everyone. She stated that she had this on the agenda before we had the workshop, but a decision does not have to be made today. Mayor Potter stated that he agreed that everyone needs time to review their proposal. No action was taken at this time.

Consider and Discuss Appointment of Capital Improvement Projects (CIP) Committee: Mayor Potter stated that the council recommended Anthony Foerster, Alanna Hayes, Josh Keeney, Alderman Troy White, Mayor Potter, Amanda Cummings, and Russel Moses be appointed to the CIP committee through official action. Alderman Cody made the motion to appoint the named individuals to the CIP Committee. Alderman Scarlett made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

Consider and Discuss Resolution Declaring the Idalou Beacon as the Official City Newspaper: Alderman T. White made the motion to adopt the resolution to declare the Idalou Beacon as the official newspaper. Alderman Cody made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

Consider and Discuss the 2024-2025 Investment Policy Ordinance: Amanda explained that nothing has changed on the Investment Policy. It is a requirement each year that the council approve the investment policy. She stated that she will make sure that Peoples Bank and First State Bank receive an updated copy for the 2024-2025 fiscal year. Alderman Cody made the motion to accept the 2024-2025 Investment Policy Ordinance as presented. Alderman T. White made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

The council went into executive session to discuss the Well Field Proposal Project and the purchase of land 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 to discuss the possible purchase of land at 7:39 p.m.

The Council reconvened in regular session at 8:17 p.m.

Consider and Discuss Variance Request for a Carport to be Placed at 405 Clovis Road, Space 112 for Toni Chapman: Alderman T. White made the motion to grant the variance as presented. Alderman Scarlett made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

Consider and Discuss Purchase of Munson Land of Approximately 100 Acres North of FM 1294 and West of New hope Church: Alderman Cody made the motion to purchase the Munson land for $950,000 from the General Fund. Alderman Scarlett made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

Consider and Discuss New Water Source: Mayor Potter stated that we needed to find an attorney that specializes in water law to represent the city with the long-term lease agreement for the new water source. Alderman T. White made the motion to identify suitable council and seek their representation for the lease. Alderman Cody made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent. Leonard and Kyle from Parkhill presented a High Plains Underground Water Conservation District Dockum Partnership Program and the Application. It was discussed that all viable sources for water be researched. Alderman Cody made the motion to participate in the HPWD Dockum Partnership Program and asked that Parkhill complete the application for the city. Alderman T. White made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent. There was discussion that no further action be made on the new water source until we have a specialized attorney and a new term sheet to review.

Consider Minutes of Previous Meeting: Alderman Cody made the motion to approve minutes from previous meetings. Alderman Scarlett made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

Consider Financial Report: Alderman Cody made the motion to approve the financial report. Alderman Scarlett made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

Consider Bills Payable: Alderman T. White made the motion to approve the bills payable. Alderman Scarlett made the second. The motion carried with 3 in favor and Alderman J. White and Alderman Yeager absent.

There being no further business, meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

Nikki Coronado
Deputy City Secretary
Amanda Cummings, City Secretary

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