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Regular Meeting August 14, 2024

Mayor Anna Gindlesberger called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Council members present; Rayce Stiles, Todd Callahan, Rick Rutledge, and Mayor Anna Gindlesberger. Also, present was City Maintenance, Robert Novotny III, City Treasurer, Cindy Stiles, and City Clerk, Dusti Dyke.

Said Pledge of Allegiance

Approve Agenda – Rayce made, and Todd 2nd motion to approve the following agenda additions; Kym Babcock (Booster Club) and library board member. Motion passed. Rayce made motion to accept the agenda with the additions, Rick 2nd. Motion carried. Minutes – Todd made and Rayce 2nd motion to accept minutes from regular meeting July 10 and 24, 2024. Motion passed. Bills –Rick made and Todd 2nd motion to approve bills. Motion passed.

Public Comments

<u>Guests</u>-

Kym Babcock (Booster Club) – The foot bridge by the arena needs replaced. Due to some major rainfall, there are multiple damages done to the wooden bridge. After discussion of options, Robert will take out the old bridge, and replace with a culvert/gravel bridge for the time being.

New Business:

Budget Hearing – Rayce made motion to begin the Budget Hearing, Rick 2nd. Motion passed. Mayor Anna asked for any protests or concerns for the proposed 2025 budget. There were no objections. Rayce made motion to accept the 2025 budget, Todd 2nd. Motion carried.

Streets – Todd made motion for A to Z to asphalt the roads of Okmulgee and Preston, from Watermelon to Jefferson. Rayce 2^{nd} , motion carried.

Wastewater Operator Contract – Robert passed his water operator exam. Rick made motion to renew our contract agreement with Troy Smith as Wastewater Operator for six months. Rayce 2nd, motion carried.

Water Tower Inspection- The time has come to have a water tower inspection. Rick made motion to accept Tank Spek contract for \$1,490.00 for the inspection, Todd 2nd. Motion carried.

Old Business:

Camping – Council has decided to continue to charge \$5 for tent camping. There will be a special meeting in the future to nail down rules for camping/hosting.

Updates:

Attorney – Dusti gave list of other local town(s) attorneys.

Tree Stumps – Robert called over to Parsons about renting a stump grinder. It is \$100 per day, and there are approximately forty-two stumps, give or take a few. Todd made motion for Robert to rent a stump grinder for one week, Rick 2nd. Motion carried.

Tree off Labette St – Table to September.

Forestry Truck – It will be picked up August 15, 2024 at 8am from the old tire shop.

Building Repairs – Goins Construction and Max Lever to get bids turned in.

Yellow Fire Department Pumper – August 22, 2024 Purple Wave will be by to get details and pictures.

Generator - Table.

Final Thoughts-

There needs to be a culvert ordinance addressed for new property owners. The west side of the arena is a safety hazard for children. Todd made motion to ask John Trucking to dump dirt and try to fix what is possible before homecoming. Rayce 2nd, motion carried. Cheryl Studebaker gave City of Thayer their vendor t-shirts and certificates.

Rayce made and Todd 2nd the motion to adjourn meeting. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.