

City Council Meeting
Minutes February 5, 2024
@ 5:00 PM

Present: Mayor Roger Weatherwax

Brent White

Denise Lovett

Cassandra Lee

Jason White

Absent: Joyce Jeffreys

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Weatherwax followed by pledge and prayer. Council was asked to approve and dispense the reading of the minutes from January 8, 2024 Council Meeting.

Motion: Denise Lovett

2nd: Brent White

Mr. Bain from the Library had ask that the City make a Proclamation for February 11, 2024 to be Library Day. The Library's 50th Anniversary is Sunday February 11th and it will be observed on Tuesday February 13, 2024 from 2:00pm – 4:00 pm.

Motion: Brent White

2nd: Cassandra Lee

Children's Alliance Trust Fund had ask for a Proclamation be made for the month of February 2024 to be National Parent Leadership Month.

Motion: Denise Lovett

2nd: Cassandra Lee

The Council was ask to approve Resolution 2024-002 for the purpose of opening a bank account for the sole purpose of credit card payments for the Park and Recreational Department and authorizing signers for the account.

Motion: Jason White

2nd: Denise Lovett

Council member Cassandra Lee presented to Council the need for a Safe Haven Box. She wanted to suggest to Council to look at the information provided and to place a Safe Haven Box at the Fire Station. This is something she feels would be

great to have – with her career she saw many situations with families. If this is put in place it will offer an option to saving a child’s life rather than it being placed somewhere unsafe – like was done recently in a neighboring town. If one life can be saved then it would be worth placing there. Details were given by Ms. Lee and Fire Chief Phillips on cost and how the box worked once a child was placed inside an alarm notifies and within 5 minutes the baby is taken out and would be immediately transported to the hospital. All Council members seemed to agree with Ms. Lee in placing a Safe Haven Box.

Mayor Weatherwax went to item number 8 on the agenda which was Stanley Nichols, who had the bid opening on Tuesday, January 23, 2024 for work to be done at the Water Treatment Plant and it will be paid by the SRF monies. Resolution 2024-003 was presented to approve the low bid by recommendation of the Kelley Group in the amount of \$626,406.94 this amount only includes items that were required by ADEM. Apel Machine and Supply Company, Inc. will be awarded this contract by Resolution tonight if Council agrees. Their original bid was \$755,146.44 but Stanley Nichols looked over items on the bid and removed those not necessary and Kelley Group agreed to the work to be done as well as Apel Machine and Supply Company, Inc. With the amount being lowered to \$626,406.94 the SRF monies will cover all but \$19,225.59 so the City will be responsible for that difference.

Motion: Brent White

2nd: Denise Lovett

Jerome Thompson – attorney for the City was present and ask that the Council move into Executive Session concerning a case between the City of Moulton and Susan Borden Robinson which is still pending. In Executive session the discussion will be on pending litigation and hopefully a resolution can be found.

Brent White made a motion to go into executive session to discuss pending litigation.

Jason White 2nd the motion. All members of the Council answered all ayes.

At 5:20 PM Council left Council Chambers to discuss pending litigation matters in Executive Session and would reconvene following that discussion.

At 5:31 PM Council met back in Council Chambers and reconvened following the Executive Session.

When Council and Mayor returned to Chambers – Mayor Weatherwax ask for a Motion to accept Mr. Thompsons suggestion on the 409 East St. – house.

Motion: Denise Lovett

2nd: Jason White

All ayes were heard by all the Council

Motion to Adjourn: Denise Lovett

2nd: Jason White

Roger Weatherwax, Mayor

Deroma Pepper, City Clerk

Brent White, Council Member

Cassandra Lee, Council Member

Denise Lovett, Council Member