## City Council Meeting Minutes February 19,2024 @ 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 22, 2024 Council Meeting.

Motion: Brent White 2nd: Denise Lovett

All ayes were heard from all Council present.

Police Chief Craig Knight ask for Council approval for 3 separate overnight stays. This will be for Captain Russell Graham training the classes are free and he is one of 75 officers that where offered this training. Dates will be March 4-7, April 8-11, and May 20-23. Each stay will be approximately \$350.00 to \$400.00.

Motion: Jason White 2<sup>nd</sup>: Brent White

All ayes were heard from all Council present.

Ms. Cassandra Lee had presented to Council at the previous work session about her desire to have a Safe Haven Box placed at the Fire Station. With her work history with DHR she understands the need for this and the Fire Chief and Mayor stated if only one life is saved this is an asset to the community.

Motion: Cassandra Lee

2<sup>nd</sup>: Jason White

Emily Edwards accountant was present to answer question if any on the possibility of raising the Council allotment each month at the request of Ms. Lee. The only time that a raise can be given to Council is prior to an election and with the election being in 2025 it must be done by this Council and the increase if done will be for those elected to serve beginning with November 2025. The last raise given was in 2008. Ms. Lee expressed the need to increase the allotment due to the commitment an individual should do as a Council person and when speaking to individuals about running for the position she has had several comments about that the amount of \$500.00 is not worth it.

Mayor Weatherwax ask Council to approve the quote for \$16,800.00 for concrete to be placed around the building at the City Cemetery.

Motion: Brent White 2<sup>nd</sup>: Denise Lovett

Council was ask to approve the transfer of a reel mower to the golf course and in exchange the golf course will use their funds to purchase a new 72" mower for the Park and a Golf Cart with a dump bed and soft tires to go to the Park for them to use.

Motion: Jason White 2<sup>nd</sup>: Denise Lovett

Mayor Weatherwax ask Brian Phillips – Fire Chief to explain to Council about the man lift that he had ask the Mayor and other department heads to consider. Mr. Phillips explained that the fire department can't change light bulbs in the station due to the height in the bay area and other maintenance on the building being more difficult. He has also spoke to other department heads and there is several departments that could benefit from the City purchasing a man lift. There is one that is 60 foot used man lift that they would like to look at and purchase if in good working order for the amount of \$15,000.00. The banners being placed each year cost \$6,000.00 and the Christmas lights also would be able to b placed by City workers saving the City that additional cost and in and of itself that would pay for the lift.

Move for immediate action to consider purchasing man lift: Jason White Roll Call vote Cassandra Lee("I"), Jason White("I"), Roger Weatherwax("I"), Brent White("I"), and Denise Lovett("I")

Mayor Weatherwax suggest they go and check out the 60 ft lift Motion to purchase man lift: Jason White

2<sup>nd</sup>: Denise Lovett

All "I's" were heard by Council on this matter.	
Motion to Adjourn: Denise Love 2 <sup>nd</sup> : Brent White	tt
Roger Weatherwax, Mayor	Deroma Pepper, City Clerk
Brent White, Council Member	Cassandra Lee, Council Member
Jason White, Council Member	Denise Lovett, Council Member