

June 26, 2023	MINUTES OF THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLNEY, TEXAS	6:00 P.M.
<p>The City Council of the City of Olney, Texas met Monday, June 26, 2023 at 6:00 P.M. Those present were: Mayor Rue Rogers, Mayor Pro-Tem Tom Parker, Councilmembers Brad Simmons, Harrison Wellman, Chuck Stennett. and Tommy Kimbro. Staff Present: City Administrator Arpegea Pagsuberon, Police Chief Dan Birbeck Officer Dustin Hudson, Public works Director Michael Jacoba, City Secretary Tammy Hourigan and Attorney Dan Branum. City Attorney Bill Myers was absent. All agenda items were subject to action. Meeting was broadcast and recorded online using GoToMeeting.com in accordance with Open Meetings Laws guidance during COVID-19 Pandemic Disaster.</p>		
<p>Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.</p>		CALL TO ORDER
<p>Mayor Rogers</p>		INVOCATION
<p>No one was present</p>		CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD
<p>Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to approve the Minutes from the May 8, 2023 Council Meeting. Mayor Pro-Tem Parker made said Motion. Councilmember Wellman seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion.</p>		CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)
<p>The Enterprise Fleet Program representative joined the meeting via Zoom. The newest presentation consisted of 21 vehicles, including the Police Department Dodge Durangoes. He stated that during the first year thirteen new vehicles would be brought into service, then during the second year there would be none to replace, then year three there would be 1 to replace. Mayor Pro-Tem Parker asked if participating on the program made sense to everyone and asked for their input. Councilmember Wellman stated that he could see the benefit of newer vehicles resulting in less maintenance costs and rotation of newer vehicles. Mayor Pro-Tem Parker stated that the City of Olney had enjoyed a positive experience from the Police Department lease. He stated that it could be given a trial run in the Public Works department and see how it compares to keeping the same vehicles for a longer period. Councilmember Kimbro stated that he was not sure that he saw a savings. Councilmember Simons was unsure. Mayor Pro-Tem Parker stated that he felt it would be a good idea to speak with other cities that were participating in the same program. He mentioned visiting with Bowie. Mayor Rogers stated that Winnsboro and Quitman could also be re-visited. It was decided that the cities would be quizzed and asked how the program was working for them? The information would be put</p>		DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ENTERPRISE FLEET PROGRAM FOR POLICE AND PUBLIC WORKS VEHICLES

<p>together and presented at a meeting in the future. The Enterprise Fleet Program representative stated that all departments would be required to participate, not just Public Works. Mayor Rogers stated that the references would be contacted. No action was taken at this time.</p>	
<p>City Administrator stated that the link to all the information was on the City website and would go directly to the report. Public Works Director Michael Jacoba stated that there was nothing new or alarming in the report. There was one small violation having to do with the routine monitoring. The results did not come back during the required time from Red River. This problem is not unique to the City of Olney, others have experienced the same problem. Councilmember Wellman inquired as to the expense of the tests? Mr. Jacoba stated that they are 150.00-200.00 each. He stated that it is not a Red River Authority issue, but an industry issue. All the other take aways and levels were within range. Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to accept the Confidence Report on Water Quality. Councilmember Kimbro made said Motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Parker seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion.</p>	<p>HEAR AND ACCEPT CONFIDENCE REPORT ON WATER QUALITY</p>
<p>Public Hearing Opened at 6:40 P.M. Closed at 6:41 P.M.</p>	<p>PUBLIC HEARING: CONSUMER CONFIDENCE REPORT ON WATER QUALITY</p>
<p>Mayor Rogers stated that Jake Bailey has been the representative for the past 7 years and has resigned. All taxing entities can nominate an appointee and then there is a vote. Historically all the Olney taxing entities have nominated the same person. He stated that the School is nominating Kyle Hinson. He has communicated that he would like the nomination. Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to adopt Resolution R10-23 A Resolution Nominating Kyle Hinson as the City of Olney Appointment to the Young Central Appraisal District Board of Directors. Councilmember Simmons made said Motion. Councilmember Stennett seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion.</p>	<p>DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND ADOPT RESOLUTION R10-23-A RESOLUTION NOMINATING APPOINTMENT TO THE YOUNG CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS</p>
<p>Attorney Dan Branum stated that the process is continuing the process that was passed during the May General Election to terminate the O.I.D.C and create an Economic Development Corporation. He stated that he is following and completing a checklist and that this is the next step. If it is approved, it will then be sent to the Secretary of State. He stated that there are a few blanks to complete the process. Attorney Branum stated that the Certificate of Formation can be approved, subject to approval the Cord of Directors. The EDC Board is larger than the O.I.D.C. Board. Seven members versus five members. The Certificate of</p>	<p>DISCUSS AND CONSIDER CERTIFICATE OF FORMATION OF OLNEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION</p>

<p>Formation can be amended at later date. Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion, subject to approval of the Board Members of the Economic Development Corporation, to approve the Certificate of Formation of the Olney Economic Development Corporation. Councilmember Kimbro made said Motion. Councilmember Simmons seconded.</p>	
<p>Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to Adopt Resolution R11-23-A resolution authorizing and approving the creation of the Olney Economic Development Corporation. Councilmember Kimbro made said Motion. Councilmember Simmons seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion.</p>	<p>DISCUSS, CONSIDER AND ADOPT RESOLUTION R11-23-A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING AND APPROVING THE CREATION OF THE OLNEY ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION</p>
<p>City Secretary Tammy Hourigan addressed the Council about transferring funds currently in the General Operating Account at InterBank into the General Operating Sub Account held at Texas Class. The Texas Class Account is currently earning interest in excess of 5.00%. After discussion it was decided that initially \$400,000 would remain in the General Operating Account at InterBank and that amount could be changed as needed. Ms. Hourigan explained to the Council that it was simply a matter of transferring any amount needed from Texas Class, but while there it would earn the higher interest and with no withdrawal penalty. Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to approve the transfer of funds to the Texas Class General Operating Sub Account leaving \$400,000. In the General Operating Account at InterBank. Councilmember Wellman made said Motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Parker seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion .</p>	<p>DISCUSS AND CONSIDER TRANSFERRING FUNDS TO THE TEXAS CLASS GENERAL OPERATING SUB ACCOUNT</p>
<p>Every year in June the City of Olney receives their Rate Letter from Texas Municipal Retirement System (TMRS). This letter states the required rate that the City of Olney must contribute each pay period on behalf of the City employees. This year for the contributions beginning in January 2024, the required rate is 6.16%. The City of Olney is currently contributing at the rate of 6.91%. Ms. Hourigan explained that any amounts over the required rate will simply be applied to any unfunded amounts and lessen the obligation. Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to continue the 6.91% Monthly Contribution Rate for the Teas Municipal Retirement System beginning in January 2024. Councilmember Simmons made said Motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Parker seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion.</p>	<p>DISCUSS AND CONSIDER MONTHLY CONTRIBUTION RATE FOR TMRS (TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM)</p>
<p>The renewal of health benefits for City employees was discussed at the previous Council Meeting but no final decision was made. The Council was awaiting rates from the Kempton Group in order</p>	<p>DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RENEWAL OF EMPLOYEE HEALTH BENEFITS</p>

<p>to compare policies and rates. Ms. Hourigan explained to the Council that the renewal needed to be returned to TX Health Benefits Pool prior to the end of the month. She also stated that she had been told that if the City of Olney decided to not renew anytime prior to October 1, 2023, when the new insurance would go into effect, there would be no obligation to pay the new rates to TX Health Benefits Pool. After discussion from the Council, it was decided that they still wanted the options from the Kempton Group to be explored, but to go ahead and send the approval into TX Health Benefits Pool at the 16% rate increase from the previous year. The premium will increase from \$791.66 to \$918.34 monthly per employee. Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to approve the renewal of the TX Health Benefits Pool Health Insurance Plan at a rate of \$918.24, which is a 16% increase from the last period. Mayor Pro-Tem Parker made said Motion. Councilmember Simmons seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion.</p>	
<p>City Administrator Pagsuberon stated that she would visit with the Surveyor and see if the amount of the fee to survey would be affected if it was decided to survey fewer lots? His initial bid was for 40 lots. Mayor Rogers stated that he felt there needed to be more discussion as to what the wishes were for long term. He stated that the Committee would plan to meet again sometime during the upcoming week. No action was taken.</p>	<p>DISCUSS AND CONSIDER LAKE LOT COMMITTEE MEETING AND SURVEY ESTIMATE</p>
<p>City Administrator Pagsuberon stated that the individual that had submitted these bids had contacted her for withdrawal of both offers because he had found a different house. He was no longer interested in acquiring the lots. Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to reject the bids offered on Tax Resale Bids for Lot 609 S. Ave B and 611 S. Ave B. Councilmember Kimbro made said Motion. Councilmember Stennett seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion.</p>	<p>DISCUSS AND CONSIDER TAX RESALE BID(S) A. 609 S. AVE. B B. 611 S. AVE. B</p>
<p>Mayor Rogers stated that he had visited with Wynn Graham about the Mental Health Program. The County will need to apply. The Grant will fund 90% of the costs and the other 10% will be split between the entities. When he receives the information, he will share and the Ordinances needed can be prepared and put on the Agneda. Mayor Rogers reminded everyone that "Olney in America" is scheduled for Thursday evening. Chief Birbeck stated that the Asset Forfeiture Account was increasing. Two vehicles had been sold for \$1177.00 and \$938.00.</p>	<p>DISCUSS OTHER COUNCIL MATTERS-ITEMS OF CONCERN TO MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL</p>

There being no further business to come before the Council, the Council adjourned at 7:33 P.M.

ATTEST:

Tammy Hourigan, City Secretary

ADJOURNMENT