

November 20, 2023	MINUTES OF THE SPECIAL CALLED MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF OLNEY, TEXAS	12:00 P.M.
<p>The City Council of the City of Olney, Texas met on Monday, November 20 2023 a 12:00 P.M. Those present were: Mayor Rue Rogers, Mayor Pro-Tem Tom Parker, Councilmembers; Tommy Kimbro, Brad Simmons and Chuck Stennett. Harrison Wellman was absent. Staff Present: were City Administrator Arpegea Pagsuberon, City Secretary Tammy Hourigan and Public Works Director Michael Jacoba. All agenda items were subject to action.</p>		
<p>Mayor Rue Rogers called the meeting to order at 12:00 P.M.</p>		CALL TO ORDER
<p>Brad Simmons gave the invocation.</p>		INVOCATION
<p>Mayor Rogers read a statement on behalf of the Attorney This was letter concerning statements made at an earlier Council Meeting concerning the blocking of drains and outlined that the City of Olney did not feel that Dude Wipes was responsible for that problem. No action was needed.</p>		LETTER READ BY MAYOR RUE ROGERS
<p>Corlett, Probst & Boyd Staff (C P & B) were in attendance. This included Devin Smith, Jessica Parks and Blane Boswell. Mayor Rogers thanked them for attending. He stated that the Sub-Committee had met for the second time on Friday, the 17th. Devin stated that C P&B had talked with Horton Excavation, LLC. and they were open to discussing costs and options. Mayor Rogers stated that the shortfall of funds in Option 1 and the \$14.1 Million does not fully address everything needed and all costs. He stated that options had been explored and discussed and that the Council was hesitant to begin a project that was \$2.1 Million more than the \$13.5 Million Revenue Bond. He stated that he appreciated Corlett, Probst & Boyd working with Horton Excavation, LLC to try to lower the price. Currently the City of Olney does not have the funds to approve the current low bid and that spending more than the City of Olney has is not wise. He stated that he felt the City of Olney needed to go back to the drawing board to decide the next plan of action. He feels that the residents would like to see something tangible for their sur-charge that they have been paying, but he also does not feel that they would want an additional \$10.00 added to cover the costs of the overage. He then asked the City Council for their thoughts.</p> <p>Mayor Pro-Tem Parker asked for clarification concerning the costs of \$567,000.00 for the oversight of the project. Devin Smith stated that there are options available for the project oversight and that the cost of \$567,000.00 can be minimized in various ways. Councilmember Simmons stated that the City of Olney cannot finance a project \$2 Million over budget. He stated that the project will be done. How and when is the yet to be determined. Councilmember Stennett asked if</p>		UPDATES ON WATER TREATMENT PLANT PROJECT

<p>there was a way to replace the critical areas? Mayor Rogers stated that the bid currently on the table cannot be pieced. It was his understanding that if the bid was rejected, then all is rebid. Devin stated that was correct. Mayor Rogers stated that he felt that the Council needed to step back, reapproach the project and work with the budget. He stated that Corlett, Probst & Boyd has finished the specifications and has TCEQ approval. He does not feel that the citizens would appreciate the spending of the money that is not there. Devin stated Corlett, Probst & Boyd can re-evaluate once the Council decided on the path to take. Mayor Rogers stated that he is not waving the white flag and walking away. We still have a goal, just like we did two years ago when we started the whole process and that nothing has changed. He stated that the Council is committed to do it with the finances that are available.</p>	
<p>Mayor Rogers stated that Corlett, Probst & Boyd had presented the City Council with a bid from Horton Excavation, LLC of \$14.1 Million and \$14.3 Million depending on different features involved in those bids and made recommendation that they accept the Horton Excavation, LLC bid. He then asked if there were any questions or further discussion? There was not. Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to reject the lowest bid from Horton Excavation, LLC. Councilmember Simmons made said Motion. Councilmember Kimbro seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion. Mayor Rogers again thanked Corlett, Probst & Boyd.</p>	<p>DISCUSS AND CONSIDER CONTRACTOR BID SELECTION RECOMMENDED BY CORLETT, PROBST & BOYD</p>
<p>There being no further business to come before the Council, the Council adjourned by consent at 12:14 P.M.</p>	<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>
<p>ATTEST:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Tammy Hourigan, City Secretary</p>	