

February 26, 2024	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, February 26, 2024 at 6:00 P.M. Those present were: Mayor Rue Rogers, Mayor Pro-Tem Harrison Wellman, Councilmembers Tommy Kimbro, Chuck Stennett and Thea Sullivan. Staff Present: City Secretary Tammy Hourigan, Police Officer Dustin Hudson, Public works Director Michael Jacoba, and City Attorney Bill Myers and Attorney Dan Branum. 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>No Audio was available for this recorded meeting.</p>
<p>Mayor Rogers called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M.</p>		<p>CALL TO ORDER</p>
<p>Bill Myers</p>		<p>INVOCATION</p>
<p>No one was present</p>		<p>CITIZEN COMMENT PERIOD</p>
<p>Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to approve the Minutes from the January 8, 2024 and the January 22, 2024 Meetings. Council Member Kimbro made said Motion. Councilmember Stennett seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion.</p>		<p>CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES FROM PREVIOUS MEETING(S)</p>
<p>Since the resignation of Council Member Simmons and there had already been an appointment to fill the unexpired term of Mayor Pro-Tem Parker the City Charter states that a Special Election must be held. There can be no more than one appointment within a twelve-month period. Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to approve Ordinance O2-24 ordering the Special Election to fill the unexpired Council Member term and sign the Order of Election. Mayor Pro-Tem Wellman made said Motion. Council Member Kimbro seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion.</p>		<p>DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ORDINANCE O2-24 ORDERING THE MAY 4, 2024 SPECIAL ELECTION TO FILL THE UNEXPIRED COUNCIL MEMBER TERM AND SIGN ORDER OF ELECTION</p>
<p>Mayor Rogers stated that this Agenda Item goes back to the end of the year when it was requested by a local business to be able to install a restroom (to enlarge the facility) in a shipping container that was on the property. City Council had previously approved allowing electricity in the shipping containers but no plumbing. The purpose was to deter from using the shipping containers as a residence. Officer Hudson stated that he had been looking through Muni Code to find examples from other cities as to how they were wording and outlining their Ordinances. He stated that it's a new and upcoming topic and difficult to find information. He asked for input from the Council and guidance as to what they wanted him to proceed. Carolyn Moore was in attendance and</p>		<p>DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ORDINANCE O3-24 AMENDMENTS TO O7-23 SHIPPING CONTAINERS ALLOWED USAGE IN THE CITY OF OLNEY CITY LIMITS</p>

<p>questioned as to why would a sink be approved if there was no toilet? Officer Hudson stated that often the shipping container is used for storage and/or a workshop and the sinks are a convenience for cleaning. Officer Hudson will continue to research the topic. No action was taken.</p>	
<p>Mayor Rogers, Chief Birbeck and Officer Hudson attended a meeting with the Megargel City Council regarding the demolition of several structures that were in major disrepair. The City of Megargel inquired as to whether the City of Olney would be willing to enter an Interlocal Agreement to aid with those demolitions since they had the experience? The Council discussed many topics as to whether they would be willing to pay the overtime that would be needed for the employees, pay for the use of the machinery, how would the machinery be transported? There were many questions that needed to be addressed. Officer Hudson stated that he gave them Ordinance information and also told them about Texas Communities Group, which the City of Olney has used. Mayor Pro-Tem Wellman stated that it would be a while before any definitive decisions could be made, since there were currently no Ordinances or Code Enforcement rules in place. He stated that he felt the communication needed to continue in order to come up with a plan and know exactly what was expected. Attorney Branum stated that perhaps Code Enforcement could aid in helping them get things in order to be able to ticket individuals who were not complying. He stated that would be a huge improvement. No action was taken.</p>	<p>DISCUSS INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH CITY OF MEGARGEL REGARDING CODE ENFORCEMENT</p>
<p>Mayor Rogers explained that the ARPA funds must be planned out and marked as an expense by December 31, 2024. The purchases had to be completed and spent by December 31, 2026. Clint Pullium was in attendance from the Fire Department. He stated that the Fire Department could use new radios. They are currently using analog and the communication would be much better with digital. He stated that the cost would be around \$60,000.00 without the repeater. This would include a pager for each fireman and radios in the trucks. Officer Hudson stated that he thought that there was grant money available through Mobile Phone of Texas. Mr. Pullium stated that "all in" for the radios would most likely be in the \$100,000.00 - \$150,00.00. range. Mayor Rogers asked if there was anything else that the Fire Department knew was needed? He stated that there would need to be a new water truck within the next five years. At today's costs, it would be around \$245,000.00. City Secretary Hourigan stated that she needed 4 new computers to replace the ones that were running out of storage at City Hall. This was realized in the semi- annual IT audit. The cost given by Falls IT was \$6,239.88. She stated that she would get two more bids if that was needed. Michael Jacoba, Public Works Director stated that he needed a Roller which would cost approximately \$20,000.00, a Pump at the Water Plant, which he already had received two quotes for. The</p>	<p>DISCUSS AND CONSIDER ARPA FUNDS</p>

<p>cost for that should be around \$20,000.00 and that a new pickup was needed for the limb/debris pickup. Council Member Kimbro stated that a cab and chassis could possibly be purchased at a surplus sale instead of spending \$45,000.00 - \$50,000.00 on a new truck. Officer Hudson stated that the PD needed new THC/narcotic test kits. The old kits are obsolete and not accurate. He also stated that hand held vs. car mounted radars would be nice since they are also much more accurate. The total cost would be approximately \$5,000.00-\$6,000.00. Mayor Rogers stated that the Fire Department needed to follow up with the Mobile Phone of Texas Grant rules and that all Departments needed to get quotes for a more in-depth discussion. Mayor Pro-Tem Wellman stated that the water tower maintenance and inspections needed to be considered and those expenses explored. Mr. Jacoba stated that Viking Industrial had given a quote of \$118,000.00 for the water tower maintenance. City Secretary Hourigan mentioned that there were funds allocated in the Budget this year for water tower maintenance as well. There was much discussion. No action was taken.</p>	
<p>Mayor Rogers stated that he would be out of town with the possibility of Mayor Pro-Tem Wellman being out of town as well. That would present too few for a quorum. Council Member Sullivan made the recommendation that the next meeting be held on the 18th of March instead of the 11th. Then Council could decide at that time if the March 25th meeting would be held or cancelled. Mayor Rogers entertained a Motion to re-schedule the March 11, 2024 meeting until March 18, 2024. Council Member Sullivan made said Motion. Mayor Pro-Tem Wellman seconded. Council voted unanimously to approve the Motion.</p>	<p>DISCUSS AND CONSIDER RESCHEDULING OR CANCELLING THE MARCH 11, 2024 CITY COUNCIL MEETING</p>
<p>Mayor Rogers thanked the Junior Altruistic Group for supplying dinner for the City Council and City employees in attendance, Mayor Pro-Tem Wellman thanked the KOB for hosting the Daddy-Daughter Dance. He stated that it was a success. Mayor Rogers stated that the KOB should be breaking ground within the next couple of days on the new City Pool and that they planned on having it open for the upcoming Summer. Officer Hudson stated that he was still experiencing water pressure problems at his new residence. Public Works Director that they would look into it.</p>	<p>DISCUSS OTHER COUNCIL MATTERS-ITEMS OF CONCERN TO MEMBERS OF THE CITY COUNCIL</p>
<p>There being no further business to come before the Council, the Council adjourned at 6:52 P.M.</p> <p>ATTEST:</p> <p>_____</p> <p>Tammy Hourigan, City Secretary</p>	<p>ADJOURNMENT</p>