

On April 20, 2023 the Coahoma City Council met in regular session at 6:00 p.m. Members present: Jay Holt, Mark Richardson, Eric Barber, Chris Mulkey, Sarah Willborn and David Alaman.

Guest: Eusebio and Consuelo Morales, Danny Barrett, Ashley Roberts, Kandy Alaman, Brad Cox, Kelly Seales, Cameron Walker and Kalen Whitehead.

Prayer: David Alaman

Pledges: Mark Richardson

Jay Holt open the public hearing @ 6:00 p.m.

Eusebio and Consuelo Morales had concerns about zoning, concerned that an RV park was going in next to them. Cameron Walker was here to address their concerns. City Council wants to change part of S. 4th, S. 5th and S. 6th from R-2 to R-3. City Council would like to open up more choices for manufactured and modular homes in the city.

Motion was made by David Alaman and seconded by Eric Barber to close the public hearing @ 6:10 p.m. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by David Alaman and seconded by Chris Mulkey to approve previous minutes. Motion carried 5-0.

Brad Cox presented the Propositions A and B. He wanted clarify the truths about them. A) It is false that all bond elections are an automatic increase in your taxes.

B) It is true that there are two bond propositions on the May ballot.

C) It is false that voting for these two propositions will raise your taxes.

D) It is true that you can vote in favor of one proposition and against another.

E) It is true that we are in a unique economic position to pass these propositions while maintaining our current tax rate.

Motion was made by David Alaman and seconded by Eric Barber to approve the contract with Texas Communities Group to help with the clean up and abatement of properties in the City. \$1500.00 a year and \$500.00 per substandard building for inspection, noticing, billing, and liens. Motion carried 5-0.

Kelly Seales gave an update on the CDC. Kyniz Kaczyk will come to May meeting to discuss the murals for Coahoma.

New swing has been purchased for the park as well as the chains.

Contractors should be back on May 4th to continue the splash pad and be through in two weeks. Bids have been provided by contractors for the building and will be discussed in a special meeting on April 25, 2023. Building will be 15x15x8 with a 4x7 door and insulation. Fencing and Astro turf was also discussed.

Motion was made by David Alaman and seconded by Mark Richardson to defer the zoning decision until the May meeting. Motion carried 5-0.

Kalin Whitehead asked if the City would pay for bars on the windows and door at the concession stand in the ball park. Motion was made by David Alaman and seconded by Eric Barber to approve the cost at \$2250.00. Ryan Ward will do the work. Motion carried 5-0.

Bids for the pickup has been extended out another month. Bids will be received until May 15, 2023.

Motion to pass Ordinance #160 for a decrease in water rates was made by Eric Barber and seconded by Chris Mulkey. Motion carried 5-0.

Baseball and softball park water usage was discussed.

Memorandum of Understanding has been tabled until the May meeting.

Motion was made by Eric Barber and seconded by Chris Mulkey to increase the trash rates to \$26.00 per household. Increase will be effective immediately. Motion carried 5-0.

Future agenda items: Rezoning, MOU and Budget Ordinance.

City will not pursue the ATT contract at this time.

Motion was made by David Alaman and seconded by Mark Richardson to pay current bills. Motion carried 5-0.

Mark Richardson, Jay Holt, Sarah Willborn and Eric Barber were all sworn in.

Motion to adjourn at 8:40 p.m. was made by David Alaman and seconded by Mark Richardson. Motion carried 5-0.



Jay Holt, Mayor



Tammy Griffith, Secretary