

On August 15, 2024 the Coahoma City Council met in regular session at City Hall @ 6:30 P.M.

Members present: Mayor Jay Holt, Chris Mulkey, Mark Richardson, and Eric Barber.

Guest: Tiffany Sayles, Kathy Sayles, Ray and Kelly Seales.

Prayer: Mark Richardson

Pledges: Chris Mulkey

Motion to approve the minutes was made by Mark Richardson and seconded by Chris Mulkey. Motion carried 3-0.

2024 Adval tax was discussed. Mark Richardson made the motion to accept the one cent per \$100.00 Tax increase (\$0.310893) and Eric Barber seconded it. Current tax rate is \$0.311520. Motion carried 3-0 to proceed with public hearing on September 17, 2024.

Motion was made by Chris Mulkey and seconded by Mark Richardson to approve the Atmos energy rate review Ordinance #169. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion was made by Eric Barber and seconded by Mark Richardson to accept Triple Play Construction's bid of \$13,900.00 to redo Community Center restrooms. Motion carried 3-0.

Cemetery wall damage was discussed. Terry Clemmer has graciously volunteered to fix it for the city and community. Thank you Terry and Triple Play Construction.

Water meters were discussed. Motion was made by Eric Barber and seconded by Chris Mulkey to have Ray see if there is funding available through the 3 companies that bid the project. If no funding is available then the HCWD money may be used. Motion carried 3-0.

Lead and copper survey was discussed. Ray said letters need to be sent out to the customers needed to replace pipe informing them they have 10 years to do it.

Computer cost was discussed. Decision to purchase new ones was made in July meeting.

Kelly Seales gave updates on CDC. Kelly Crouse resigned and candidates were discussed. Motion was made by Eric Barber and seconded by Mark Richardson to approve Chance O'Daniel to replace Kelly Crouse. Motion carried 3-0.

Kelly discussed the different murals and the council asked her to change a few of the pictures. Landscape they would like a cotton field instead of sunflowers. Industry mural they would like to see Small in numbers big on pride, a roadrunner and horny toad on it. Coahoma park project was discussed. Sign was approved for \$1000.00 for the taxidermy business that opened up.

Motion was made by Eric Barber and seconded by Mark Richardson to approve the changes to the community center contract effective immediately. No inflatables or water balloons. Rental fee will remain the same. Business charges will be the same as regular rental fees. Deposit remains \$250.00 in cash but only \$200.00 will be refunded to the customer. \$50.00 will be for cleaning cost. Those existing rentals will be honored, anything from August 15, 2024 will adhere to new rules. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion was made by Eric Barber and seconded by Mark Richardson to approve the peddler's permit as is. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion was made by Chris Mulkey and seconded by Mark Richardson to approve the right away sewer easement. Motion carried 3-0.

Property abatements were discussed. Letters will be sent out to Jairo Holguin letters on his 2 properties. Motion carried 3-0.

Ray Seales mentioned that the clown tank needs to have the HCWD removed from it. Council said to paint over it.

Jay Holt was asked if the city to put together a Christmas light sign for the Christmas in the Park Trail of Lights in Comanche Trail park. Ray said he could come up with something.

Motion was made by Eric Barber and seconded by Chris Mulkey to approve the current bills. Motion carried 3-0.

Mowing raise was tabled until September 17, 2024 meeting.

New applicants were discussed. Five was picked to interview. Motion was made by Eric Barber and seconded by Mark Richardson to approve \$18.00 an hour with possible increase if heavy equipment experience or water license. Motion carried 3-0.

Motion was made by Chris Mulkey and seconded by Mark Richardson to adjourn 9:00 P.M. Motion carried 3-0.

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Jay Holt, Mayor

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Tammy Griffith", written over a horizontal line.

Tammy Griffith, Secretary