

Minutes

City of Murchison City Council Meeting, held at City Hall March 8, 2022 at 6:00 pm. Those present include: Mayor Bryan Wilkins, council members Ken Baker, Alisa Griffis, Steve Kroll, and City Secretary Karen Kroll. Also in attendance were Murchison residents, Tammy Wilkins, Connie Haynes, Sandy Hoffmeyer, James Buss and MVFD Chief Brandon Irby.

After opening prayer by Mayor Bryan Wilkins, the meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm.

Public Recognition:

Consent items:

1. Approval of the February 2022 City Council Meeting minutes
2. Approval of February bank/financial statements
3. Approval of February payment of bills.

Mayor Bryan Wilkins moves for motion to accept consent items. Motion made by Ken Baker, seconded by Steve Kroll and carried unanimously.

Water Report:

Jeremy from Aqua Services reported multiple line locates for Hwy 31, 2 auto flush valves installed at 773 & 1703, 6677 Murphy St, turned meter off and on for Troy Chambers, checked leak again at Cardinal St. with no leak detected, replaced missing boards on sewer plant, built screen cleaner for dewater bin screen, dump bin unclogged, re-plumbed hippo hopper to stop over-flowing.

New Business:

1. Discuss/Consider new building permits:

None to discuss

2. Discuss/Consider EDC projects:

None to discuss

3. Discuss/Consider costs for fixing FM 773 lift station and city Sewer Plant:

Mayor Bryan Wilkins discussed that the lift station and sewer plant needed repairs and that they needed additional information in order to gather costs. Mayor Wilkins discussed the need to have Frentress Engineering come up with a plan and the costs associated to start the repairs. After a brief discussion, the city council decided to wait for a plan from Frentress Engineering in order to make an informed decision on the costs to start the repairs.

Mayor Bryan Wilkins moved for motion to have Frentress Engineering come up with a plan for the needed repairs at the 773-lift station and the Sewer plant. Motion made by Ken Baker, seconded by Alisa Griffis and carried unanimously.

4. Discuss/Consider purchasing radio read meters from RG3 for the well pumps:

Mayor Bryan Wilkins discussed that the meters currently being used at the well pumps are in need of replacement. The meters went through their annual testing from KW Utilities with one not reading correctly. Mayor Wilkins discussed that purchasing two new meters would be more cost effective than repairing the one that is not working properly. Upon the recommendation of Jeremy Crocker, replacing the analog meters with digital radio reads, would be more efficient and easier to read. Two quotes were received from RG3 totaling \$2469.83 for the new meters. The city council discussed the quotes, and decided to move forward with the purchases.

Mayor Bryan Wilkins moves for motion to replace the meters at the well pumps with the new radio read meters from RG3. Motion made by Steve Kroll, seconded by Ken Baker and carried unanimously.

5. Discuss/Consider running water and sewer lines to Cleburn Shavor's property on FM 1616:

Mayor Bryan Wilkins stated that Cleburn Shavor requested that the water line and sewer line be extended from where it ends on FM 1616 to his property. The current lines end at the property next to his. He is willing to pay for the cost himself if the city council approves. Mayor Bryan Wilkins asked the city council if anyone had any objections to allow Mr. Shavor to extend the water and sewer lines to his property. After a brief discussion, the city council agreed that the water and sewer lines could be moved at Mr. Shavor's expense.

Mayor Bryan Wilkins moves for motion to allow Mr. Shavor to have the water and sewer line extended to his property on FM 1616 at his expense. Motion made by Ken Baker, seconded by Steve Kroll and carried unanimously.

Mayor Bryan Wilkins asked Jeremy Crocker to come up with an estimate for Mr. Shavor as to how far the lines needed to be extended and the costs associated with that. Jeremy agreed to follow up with Mr. Shavor and find out how far the lines needed to be extended.

6. Discuss and Consider dates for the city-wide spring clean-up:

Mayor Bryan Wilkins discussed with the city council that it was time for the city-wide spring clean-up. He asked secretary Karen Kroll to update the council on the specifics of the proposed clean-up. Secretary Kroll stated that she had been in contact with Ameri-Tex and that the weekend of March 25th, 26th, and 27th would be the best dates for this to take place. The dumpsters would be located at the baseball field so they can be locked up when there is no supervision. Secretary Kroll also stated that she would volunteer her time to supervise. Council member Alisa Griffis stated that she and her husband would be volunteering as well.

Mayor Bryan Wilkins moves for motion to have the city-wide clean-up the weekend of March 25th, 26th, and 27th. Motion made by Ken Baker, seconded by Alisa Griffis and carried unanimously.

Mayors Report:

Mayor Bryan Wilkins stated that the city was still waiting on the state to do some culvert clean-outs on FM 1616 and FM 773 where the Baptist Church is located.

Adjournment:

Mayor Bryan Wilkins moves for motion for adjournment at 6:22 pm. Next city council meeting will be held on April 12, 2022 @ 6:00pm at city hall. Motion made by Steve Kroll, seconded by Ken Baker and carried unanimously.

Minutes passed and approved this 18th day of April, 2022.

Attest: _____

Karen Kroll
City Secretary