

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF CHEROKEE
CITY OF WELLS

OCTOBER 8, 2018

Members present at the regular meeting held September 10, 2018, were C. W. Williams, Billie Petty, Dorothy McMillion, Eva Alexander, Matt Myer, and Robert Kalka.

Employees: Melanie Williamson

Visitors: Hayden Ray and Paulette Campbell, UT Health East Texas EM and Bob Thurber, KSA Engineering

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Council member Robert Kalka led the Invocation and Councilmember Billie Petty the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Matt Myer approving minutes of the regular meeting after corrections for September 10, 2018, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Matt Myer approving minutes of special meeting September 10, 2018, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Dorothy McMillion and second by Councilmember Eva Alexander approving hiring Goodwin, Lasiter and Strong as the engineer for the 2019 TxCDBG grant program. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second made by Councilmember Dorothy McMillion approving payment of monthly bills. Motion carried unanimously.

The September 2018 budget comparisons for the General Fund and the Water and Sewer Fund were discussed. No action taken as this is a discussion item only.

Water and Sewer Report: Carl Pennington

Everything was good within the water department.

The sewer plant is running according to permit. Mr. Pennington gave the council a quote for a new paddle wheel for the racetrack. Jed Morris with Goodwin, Lasiter, and Strong is working on a temporary repair for the cracked concrete on the side of the race track. This will be a temporary repair until the city can obtain a block grant to make a permanent repair.

Mr. Pennington will have to raise 2 fire hydrants and 8 manholes to comply with the highway departments road work.

Police Department:
Chief Rapsilver reported that there were

Type of Call	Total
Assisted Cherokee County	7
Arrest	7
Calls inside the city limits of Wells	14
Traffic Stops	371
Citations Issued	407

The department is running very smoothly, The officer presence in the city has really made a difference. All of the officers are keeping very busy.

Traffic was very heavy this month; the highway department superintendent hopes to have traffic diverted to the new side of the highway by Thanksgiving.

Chief Rapsilver reported that Officer Hood had several mini strokes and has been off work for the last few weeks. He is recovering and hopes to return to work soon. All of the police department is covering for Officer Hood while he's out.

Department Report:
VFD Report: Robert Kalka

EMS – September Report	16 calls, 39 man hours 12 Training hours	51 Total Man Hours
FIRE – September Report	2 calls, 10 man hours 0 gallons of water used 20 Training hours 300 gallons of water used	30 Total Man hours 300 gallons of water used

General Report: Melanie Williamson Nothing to report.

Convened to executive session at 8:24 p.m. Per Texas Government Code ANN 551.074 – Personnel – to discuss the status of the city audits.

Reconvened from executive session at 8:59 p.m. for action relative to the discussion in executive session.

No motions were made; this was a discussion item only regarding contacting Mrs. Snodgrass in Tyler, Texas to look at the QuickBooks program and give the city a price quote for completing the data entry.

A motion was made by Councilmember Eva Alexander and second made by Councilmember Billie Petty approving adjourning the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 9:04 p.m.

 Mayor

 City Secretary