

STATE OF TEXAS  
COUNTY OF CHEROKEE  
CITY OF WELLS

DECEMBER 13, 2021

Members present at the Regular Meeting were Mayor Tony McKnight, Councilmembers Billie Petty, Eva Alexander, Gordon Cole, and Robert Kalka. Clint Smith was not in attendance.

Employees: Melanie Pounds, Chief Harold Rapsilver, Officer Molina, and Roy Shanks.

Visitor: Wes Matchett, Bill Hoppe, Raymond K. Vann and Associates, and Gene Kennon, Republic Services.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Wes Matchett led the invocation, and Councilmember Billie Petty led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Billie Petty approving the minutes of the regular meeting held on November 8, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor McKnight acknowledged the visitors; no one had signed up to speak.

Bill Hoppe with Raymond K. Vann and Associates addressed the council concerning State requirements for Section 3 Hiring. A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Eva Alexander approving the city to follow Section 3 Hiring requirements for all TXCDBG Grants. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and a second by Councilmember Billie Petty to rescind the previous votes and award seven (7) votes to Jay Jones for the Cherokee County Board Election. Motion passed unanimously.

Mayor McKnight discussed the County EMT Contract with the council. This is a discussion item only.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gordon Cole and second by Councilmember Robert Kalka to pay the monthly bills. Motion carried unanimously.

The council reviewed the General and Water Sewer Budgets. No action was taken.

**Department Reports:**

**Water and Sewer – Roy Shanks, Operator:** The plants are both running great.

All plants are running smoothly; the utility department repaired three (3) major water leaks in November, one (1) Shut off valve was installed and replaced four(4) water meters. The chlorination system at the water stopped working; Carl Pennington loaned the city a pump until one could be delivered.

**Police Department – Harold Rapsilver, Chief:** Chief Harold Rapsilver thanked the council for their support. Chief Rapsilver notified the council that the traffic was heavier for the month.

| Type of calls                         | Totals |
|---------------------------------------|--------|
| Assisted Cherokee County              | 3      |
| Arrest – Traffic/Warrant              | 2      |
| Calls inside the city limits of Wells | 12     |
| Traffic Stops                         | 269    |
| Citations Issued                      | 344    |

**VFD - Robert Kalka, Chief:** Chief Kalka.

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| EMS Report  | 11 calls, 15 Man-hours<br>6 Inside City Limits<br>9 In County<br>0 Training hours  | 15 Total Man-hours                       |
| FIRE Report | 3 call, 15 Man-hours<br>0 gallons - water used<br>0 Inside City Limits<br>3 In County<br>10 Training hours<br>0 gallons - water used | 25 Total Man-hours<br>0 Total Water Used |

**City secretary - Melanie Pounds:** Seven (7) customers received the \$100.00 Non-payment, and One (1) water meter was turned off for non-payment in November.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Billie Petty to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 pm.

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Mayor

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City Secretary