

REGULAR MEETING OF THE  
GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WELLS  
WELLS CITY HALL – WELLS, TEXAS  
MONDAY, JANUARY 12, 2026  
MINUTES

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Tony McKnight called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

**2. FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**a) ROLL CALL, ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM.**

Members present at the Regular Meeting were Mayor Tony McKnight, Councilmembers Eva Alexander, Billie Petty, Clint Smith, Gordon Cole and Robert Kalka.

Employees: Melanie Pounds and Harold Rapsilver.

**b) INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE AMERICAN FLAG.**

Councilmember Robert Kalka gave the invocation and Councilmember Billie Petty lead the pledge of allegiance to the American flag.

**c) RECOGNITION OF VISITORS.**

Mayor Tony McKnight welcomed the visitor and acknowledged the visitors signed up to speak.

No one signed up to speak Visitor(s): Darlene Kirkland

**d) APPROVE MINUTES OF SPECIAL MEETING DECEMBER 22, 2025.**

Councilmember Billie Petty made a motion and Councilmember Eva Alexander made a second to approve the Special Minutes for December 22, 2025, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

**3. SWEAR IN APPOINTED COUNCIL MEMBER CLINT SMITH TO FILL THE VACANT COUNCIL SEAT FOR JANUARY – MAY 2026.**

Melanie Poundes, secretary administered the oath of office to the appointed councilmember Clint Smith.

**4. DISCUSS AND ACTION INSTALLING A 3 INCH WATER LINE ON COUNTY ROAD 2631**

This item was a discussion item only and will be placed on the agenda again at a later date.

**5. DEPARTMENT REPORTS - WATER/SEWER. POLICE, EMS/FIRE, CITY HALL**

**a) POLICE DEPARTMENT - Harold Rapsilver, Chief:**

Chief Harold Rapsilver was not in attendance; the monthly report was given to the council.

Type of calls	Totals
Assisted Cherokee County	2
Arrest Traffic/Warrant	1
Calls inside the city limits of Wells	8
Traffic Stops	287
Citations Issued	329
Warnings Issued	18

**b) WATER AND SEWER - Roy Shanks, Operator:**

**The operator was not in attendance.** The Water plant and Sewer plant are both running well.

**c) VOLUNTEER FIRE AND EMS - Fire Chief Assistant Chief Robert Kalka.**

DECEMBER 2025				TOTALS	
EMS REPORT	CALLS	TYPE OF CALL		40	Man-Hours
	7	4	City Limits		
		3	County		
	26	Man-Hours			
	14	Training Hours			

	CALLS	TYPE OF CALL		TOTALS	
VFD REPORT	3	3	City Limits	16	Man-Hours
		0	County		
	4	Man-Hours		0	Gallons of Water Used
	0	Gallons of Water Used			
	12	Training Hours			
	0	Gallons of Water Used			

**d) CITY SECRETARY -Melanie Pounds:**

DECEMBER 2025	
6	Trash Cart left in ROW by customers
0	\$100.00 Non-Payment Fee applied to unpaid accounts
0	\$50.00 Partial Payment Fee applied to partial paid accounts
0	Accounts Disconnected for non-payment

**e) HENSON PROPERTY REPORT**

DECEMBER 2025	
1	Tree Waste Dumped
0	Dumps for the City of Wells

- 6. CONVENE TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PER TEXAS GOV. CODE WHEN CALLED BY MAYOR.**  
*Government Code items: (1) Legal - 551.071; (2) Personnel - 551.074; (3) Real Estate - 551.072.*  
 Start time: 7:23 pm, end time 7:32 pm. No action for the executive session.

- 7. APPROVE PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS FOR DECEMBER 2025.**  
 Councilmember Gordon Cole made a motion and Councilmember Robert Kalka made a second to approve the payment of the monthly bills. The motion carried unanimously.

- 8. REVIEW DECEMBER BUDGET COMPARISON FOR GENERAL AND WATER & SEWER.**  
 This is a discussion item only.

- 9. ADJOURN.**  
 Councilmember Clint Smith made a motion and Councilmember Eva Alexander made a second to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:38 p.m.

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 MAYOR

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