

STATE OF TEXAS
COUNTY OF CHEROKEE
CITY OF WELLS

JANUARY 31, 2022

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

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

Visitor: Wes Matchett.

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 Gordon Cole and second by Councilmember Robert Kalk approving the minutes of the regular meeting held on December 13, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Convened to executive session at 7:10 pm per Texas Government Code ANN 551.074 to discuss personnel.

This was a discussion only, and no minutes from the executive session were filed. The meeting reconvened from the executive session at 7:20 pm for action relative to the discussion in the executive session.

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 had no leaks to repair in January. There was a significant leak on E. 6th Street outside the city limits. This line is brittle and not buried very deep. The city council will need to think about replacing the line and moving the meters to the right-of-way in the future.

We are still waiting for the sewer plant pump to ship; there has been a two-month delay. The new blade is installed; the metal fabrication was wrong, but Roy has made the needed correction and will have the blade working soon.

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
Assisted Angelina County	1
Arrest – Traffic/Warrant	3
Calls inside the city limits of Wells	13
Traffic Stops	279
Citations Issued	323

VFD – Kelly Collins, Fire Chief, and Robert Kalka, Assistant Chief
Robert Kalka gave the report

EMS Report	10 calls, 32 Man-hours 8 Inside City Limits 2 In County 12 Training hours	44 Total Man-hours
FIRE Report	4 call, 76 Man-hours 3,800 gallons - water used 3 Inside City Limits 1 In County 16 Training hours 0 gallons - water used	92 Total Man-hours 3,800 Total Water Used

City secretary - Melanie Pounds: No meters were turned off, and no customers received the nonpayment fee in December.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:59 pm.

Mayor

City Secretary