

Members present at the regular meeting held January 8, 2018, were C. W. Williams, Billy Petty, Dorothy McMillion, Eva Alexander, Matt Myer and Robert Kalka.

Employees: Melanie Williamson and Carl Pennington

Visitors: Thomas Brumit

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

Matt Myer led the Invocation and Council member Billie Petty led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Councilmember Billie Petty and second by Councilmember Matt Myer approving minutes of a police department workshop meeting December 4, 2017, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Billie Petty and second by Councilmember Matt Myer approving minutes of a regular meeting December 11, 2017, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Billie Petty and second by Councilmember Matt Myer Amending Ordinance No. 2003-02 Burn Ban by striking the words under item number 2 exceptions: A) Monday through Friday; B) the first full two day weekend. (Saturday and Sunday) of each month. The burn ban shall apply to all other weekends during the month and changing the exceptions to the following: This ordinance shall not apply to leaves, tree limbs, grass and other materials from trees or shrubs during the following periods: B) burning of materials from trees is approved 7 days per week but not in excess; the term excess meaning no large piles being burned causing excessive smoke in the neighborhoods. C) no burning any leaves, tree limbs, grass and other materials from trees or shrubs in the city ditches, creeks or roadways. D) excess burning will be judged by law enforcement. The first notice will be issued as a warning with all other violations resulting in a fine. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Billie Petty and second made by Council member Dorothy McMillion approving payment of monthly bills. Motion carried unanimously.

The December 2017 budget comparisons for the General Fund and the Water and Sewer Fund were discussed. No action taken as this is a discussion item only.

Department Reports:

Water and Sewer – Everything was good within the department. The chlorinator went down over the past weekend; the chlorine never dropped in the elevated or ground storage tank. After replacing a couple of hoses the problem is now fixed. A valve has been added to the waste water plant to prevent breaking the flow permit when we have a heavy rain. This will give Carl the ability to cut the flow back.

The city received 200 extra tons of asphalt from the highway department. This will be used to patch holes on city streets. As soon as the rain clears up we will start on patching.

VFD – Robert Kalka

EMS – November Report	3 calls, 14 man hours 6 Training hours	20 Total Man Hours
EMS – December Report	11 calls, 38 man hours 12 Training hours	50 Total Man Hours
FIRE – November Report	2 calls, 12 man hours 1,600 gallons of water used 16 Training hours 300 gallons of water used	28 Total Man hours 1,900 Gallons of water used
FIRE – December Report	10 calls, 109 man hours 8,600 gallons of water used 20 Training hours 100 gallons of water used	109 Total Man hours 8,700 Gallons of water used

Chief Robert Kalka reported that the fire department had changed out all lights in the fire department with LED light fixtures. They are also working on the water damages in the fire department. They found that the AC unit was clogged and that is what caused the water damage to the exterior wall.

A motion was made by council member Billie Petty and second made by council member Eva Alexander approving the Wells VFD to replace the sign on the front of the fire department building at the fire department expense. Councilmember Robert Kalak abstained. Motion carried.

Melanie Williamson, Secretary: James Booker asked if instead of purchasing a new tap can we put a “Y” in on property that has 2 houses. Carl Pennington said this was not something that he would recommend due to issues that it can cause with brittle lines and the cost for a “Y” is the same as the cost for a tap. The council said that each person that has two homes must have a new tap and meter for each home. Melanie also asked about the council selling the old cable building antennas and satellite dishes. The council said at this time nothing was for sale. When it is determined that the city can not use any of the old satellite materials they will put it up for auction.

A motion was made by Councilmember Billie Petty and second made by Council member Robert Kalka approving adjourning the meeting. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:25 p.m.

Mayor

City Secretary

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