STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF CHEROKEE CITY OF WELLS

Members present at the Regular Meeting were C. W. Williams, Billie Petty, Clint Smith, Eva Alexander and Robert Kalka. Matt Myer wasn't in attendance.

Employees: Melanie Williamson and Carl Pennington

Visitor: Richard Trudeau, Mark de Rouville, Christin Parker-Cherokeean Herald, Stacey McKnight, Tony McKnight, Sonia Smith, Riley Smith, and Braylon Smith.

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

Councilmember Brother 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 Clint Smith approving minutes of special meeting February 10, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Billy Petty approving minutes of special meeting February 17, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Williams welcomed the visitors and asked if anyone had signed up to speak. Mark de Rouville addressed the council to request a streetlight be installed in front of the Church of Wells building. The area is very dark and with the meetings that they have daily meeting a streetlight in that area is needed for safety concerns. The city secretary has this are on a list of streets in the city that need streetlights. As soon as ONCOR approves this area a streetlight will be added to the area.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Clint Smith to appeal Ordinance 2020-2 Making the City of Wells a sanctuary city for the unborn as advised by our attorney. Motion carried unanimously.

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

The February 2020 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 – Carl Pennington, Operator Both the water well and sewer plant are running great.

There was a tiny leak at the water well last month resulting in the spray hitting the reset button turning the booster pumps off. The leak has been repaired.

The engineer has started surveying the sewer plant for the repairs to be made. An illegal sewer use was found with the customer breaking the lock and lid off of a manhole and placing a porta-potty on top of it. The lid has been replaced and the customer was sent a bill, a sewer tap can be purchased.

There was a chlorine leak at the sewer plant. The city employee Justice was treated at the emergency room and missed one day of work.

There has been too much rain to patch the roads and all roads are needing to be patched. As soon as we get some dry weather patching will continue. The county has been in town mowing, weed eating and doing some patching.

Police Department: Chief Harold Rapsilver, Chief

The chief thanked the council for their support. Chief Rapsilver notified the council that the traffic was average for the month. The speeders have picked up but there were no vehicle accidents in the month of January. The roadway construction is almost complete. They have a little striping to finish and lay the buttons on the stiped lines.

Type of Call	TOTALS
Assisted Cherokee County	4
Arrest (traffic)	6
Calls inside the city limits of Wells	12
Traffic Stops	206
Citations Issued	234

VFD - Robert Kalka, Fire Chief

The EMS part of the Volunteer fire department is looking at filing for a grant to buy new air packs. They will assign a new air pack to the water-sewer department if they are awarded a grant.

EMS – February Report	7 calls, 18 man-hours6 Inside City Limits1 In County10 Training hours	28 Total Man Hours
FIRE – February Report	4 calls, 18 man-hours450 gallons - water used10 Training hours0 gallons - water used	28 Total Man Hours 450 Gallons Water Used

City secretary, Melanie Pounds: There was 12 customers with \$100.00 Nonpayment customers in the month of February.

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

Meeting adjourned at 7:39 p.m.

Mayor

City Secretary

APPROVED BY COUNCIL 5/11/2020 SIGNATURES ON FILE WITH THE CITY SECRETARY