

MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BODY WORKSHOP OF THE CITY OF DIBOLL, TEXAS MEETING ON MONDAY, MARCH 23, 2015, AT 5:15 PM, DIBOLL CITY HALL

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor John McClain, City Attorney, Jimmy Cassels, Councilmember's, Mayor Pro Tem, Lewis Ivey, Don Hendrick, Veronica Hernandez, Tom Farley, Charles Moses and Daniel Lopez

ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Dennis McDuffie, City Secretary Sarah Thompson, Finance Director Elvia Garza, Public Works Director Dee Scarborough, Police Chief Steve Baker and Code- Inspection Officer Bryant McCollum.

Mayor McClain called the meeting to order and Pastor Kenny Hibbs gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance was coordinate by those in attendance.

RECEIVE THE FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014 AUDIT REPORT

Brooks Cardiel representative, Anthony Cardiel began his presentation with handouts of the audit report. He reports that the city was given an unmodified audit, materially accurate; meaning the best you can have. The audit shows a healthy total net increase. Overall the city is in great standing and has the revenue of support for a minimum of two months; in a situation of disaster.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: NONE

CONSENT ITEMS/ACTION: Items listed in the Consent Agenda are considered routine and are generally enacted with one motion. The exception to this rule is that a Council Member may request one or more items be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

1. CONSIDER APPROVING MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 9 AND FEBRUARY 23, 2015 CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS.
2. CONSIDER APPROVING A RESOLUTION CANCELLING THE MAY 9, 2015 MUNICIPAL ELECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2.053(a) OF THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE.
3. CONSIDER APPROVING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN A LEASE FOR A JOHN DEER COMMERCIAL LAWNMOWER FOR THE DIBOLL PARK AND RECREATION DEPARTMENT.
4. CONSIDER APPROVING A RESOLUTION AWARDDING THE BID TO REHABILITATION THE ARRINGTON ROAD WATER TANK TO CHEROKEE PAINTING AND SANDBLASTING FOR \$220,000.00.

5. CONSIDER APPROVING A RESOLUTION AMENDING RENTAL RATES AT THE LOTTIE AND ARTHUR TEMPLE CIVIC CENTER.

City Manager Dennis McDuffie addressed the council on each consent item. He reported that there will be no election due to not having anyone sign up. The Parks Department currently leases mowers. They request that an additional mower be leased due to sharing equipment with the golf course. This would allow them to have the needed equipment at all times. This would benefit both departments. McDuffie also reports that bidding has taken place for the repainting of the ground storage tank on Arrington. The bid has been awarded to Cherokee Painting and Sandblasting in Jacksonville, Texas in the amount of \$220,000. Bob Thurber, KSA Engineer reports that most repairs are done every 7-10 years to limit the tank from rusting. Civic Center Director Loretta Christmas reports that the rentals are at a record low. Her speculation, this is due to the competitiveness of numerous rental facilities that are privately owned with less fees and supervision. Ms. Christmas reports that she has contacted facilities, presented herself as a client to compare rates and amenities. She also reports that long time clients of the civic center have rented other locations due to the rates as well. The deposit and rentals will decrease to see if this will bring back clients and increase the rentals. She will be advertising for the new rates in hopes of gaining new rentals and clients.

Don Hendrick made the motion to approve consent items 1-5 and Tom Farley second

All in favor

none opposed

REGULAR AGENDA: DISCUSSION/ACTION

6. RECEIVE ENGINEER’S REPORT ON HINES STREET.

KSA Engineer, Bob Thurber presented the council with an engineer report from Terracon Consultants of Lufkin Texas for Hines Street. There appeared to be cracks in the pavement following an April 2014 improvement. In order to seek the problem the consultants drilled holes and had the soil tested. In finding was the initial holes were 5 feet but to identify the problem they would need to test the soil at a 10 foot level. Accumulation of sand that has migrated to the soil has caused a swelling effect that is the culprit of the cracking. The material has been saturated causing a ribbon effect in the roadway. Their recommendation of how to fix the problem is to wait on warmer temperatures in August and re-evaluate and repair at that time. Other locations as MLK have held up nicely and have had no issues. This appears to be just what is called a “bad foundation area”. This same issue was evaluated at the Diboll High School at a previous project. Mr. Thurber request that he and the street and public works department consider other options that are less expensive. He has a location in the City of Lufkin that this happen to and used an alternate route to repair the street. This may be an option for Hines.

No action was taken at this time, report and discussion only

7. CONSIDER AND DISCUSS THE NON PAYMENT OF SEWER COST BY THE ANGELINA WATER CONTROL DISTRICT.

Angelina Water Control District representative, Tim Karczewski presented the council with a payment history spreadsheet. He claims there are a few payments missing but he will get them up to date in the near future. A total of \$2500 is budgeted for payment. A smoke test has been ordered to be performed prior to or following the Easter Holiday; weather permitting. There will need to be at least (5) five to (6) six days of dry weather to perform the smoke test. An electrical engineer will be onsite and will provide a report following the inspection.

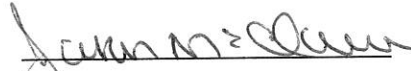
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ADJOURN:

Lewis Ivey made the motion to adjourn at 5:55 p.m. and Don Hendrick seconded.

All in Favor

None Opposed



Mayor, John McClain

ATTEST:



City Secretary, Sarah Thompson