

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

Employees: Melanie Pounds and Roy Shanks.

Visitor: None.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 pm.

Mayor Tony McKnight 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 Kalka approving the minutes of the regular meeting held on September 13, 2021. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor McKnight acknowledged that there were no visitors and no one had signed up to speak.

A motion was made by Councilmember Eva Alexander and a second by Councilmember Robert Kalka to nominate Billie Petty for the Cherokee County Board Election. Gordon Cole. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gordon Cole and second by Councilmember Billie Petty to revise the 95-01 Ordinance for Dogs at Large and place it back on the agenda once the revisions are complete. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Eva Alexander and second by Councilmember Gordon Cole 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.

TCEQ inspected the water system in August; a few repairs need to be made, but no significant problems.

The aerator squirrel cage needs to be replaced, and solvents are needed to remove rust stains.

The aerators that will be purchased from Hudson Utility Department will help with the racetrack aeration. The department plans on having all work at the Sewer plant complete by the end of November.

TCEQ is looking into the permits for the sawmill, and the Highway 69 lift station is not pumping correctly. This may be an electrical issue since both pumps in the lift station are new.

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. We have a new police officer, Officer Molina, from Corrigan Police Department. He will be an excellent addition to the department. Officer Cooper will go back to being our part-time police officer. The police department will host our 3rd annual Halloween event on Saturday, October 30, 2021, between 6:00 -8:00 pm.

Type of calls	Totals
Assisted Cherokee County	3
Arrest – Traffic	3
Calls inside the city limits of Wells	9
Traffic Stops	234
Citations Issued	266

VFD - Robert Kalka, Chief: Chief Kalka.

EMS Report	7 calls, 16 Man-hours 3 Inside City Limits 4 In County 0 Training hours	16 Total Man-hours
FIRE Report	1 call, 12 Man-hours 1,600 gallons - water used 0 Inside City Limits 1 In County 24 Training hours 0 gallons - water used	12 Total Man-hours 1,600 Total Water Used

City secretary - Melanie Pounds: Eight (8) customers received the \$100.00 Non-payment, and Two (2) water meters were turned off for non-payment in September.

A motion was made by Robert Kalka and seconded by Councilmember Clint Smith to pay the remaining balance needed from the Parks and Recreation Budge to install the playground equipment. This work is estimated at \$3,100.00. The Wells Homecoming Association is donating the fence installation; bids will be taken and presented to the Homecoming Association.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:11 pm.

Mayor

City Secretary