

Members present at the Special Meeting were C. W. Williams, Billie Petty, Clint Smith, Eva Alexander, Matt Myer and Robert Kalka.

Employees: Melanie Williamson and Carl Pennington

Visitor: Tony McKnight, Darlene Kirkland, and Matt Myer's Children.

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

Councilmember Robert Kalka led the Invocation and Councilmember Billie Petty led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Councilmember Eva Alexander and second by Councilmember Robert Kalka approving minutes of regular meeting December 9, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Williams welcomed the visitors and asked if anyone had signed up to speak. Tony McKnight addressed the council regarding no police coverage after 10:00 p.m. He is concerned with all the speeders that the city has last at night now that the highway construction is complete.

The City Council reviews Ordinance No. 2020-1 Subdivision Standards for the City of Wells. A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and a second by Councilmember Billie Petty asking the mayor to call a public hearing to be held February 17, 2020, at 7:00 p.m. to get public comment on the ordinance. The notice will run in the Cherokeean Herald, 15 days after the notice runs a public hearing will be held and the council will vote on the ordinance. A draft copy of the ordinance can be found on the city website and in the city secretary's office for review. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by councilmember Billie Petty halting all new water and sewer taps on the city utility system until a capacity study can be completed to remove water meters and taps that are no longer being used. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by councilmember Billie Petty for the city secretary to prepare City Ordinances to Protect the Unborn, Protect 2<sup>nd</sup> Amendment rights and Prohibiting Camping on City Property.

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

The December 2019 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** – The plants are both running great. Mr. Pennington advised the council to send letters to all customers that are not paying the minimum balance letting them know that the city's rules and regulations state that in order to keep the meter and tap on their property they will need to pay the minimum rate each month. Customers that do not want to pay the rate will lose their meter and tap. They will be charged for a new tap in the event that they require water service in the future. This is the only way to get the meter numbers down to comply with the TCEQ permit of 500 installed meters. Since Mr. Pennington has already done this process at the Pollok Redtown Water Supply he has offered to help the city secretary do this.

**Police Department:** Chief Harold Rapsilver thanked the council for their support. Chief Rapsilver notified the council that he has a new officer in mind to take Office Bailey's position. The city needs the night time coverage to protect the citizen. He asked that the council evaluate the police department coverage to make sure a new officer has a place in the department.

Type of Call	TOTALS
Assisted Cherokee County	5
Arrest	3
Calls inside the city limits of Wells	14
Traffic Stops	171
Citations Issued	181

**VFD - Robert Kalka:**

EMS – November Report	2 calls, 4 man-hours 2 Inside City Limits 0 In County 12 Training hours	16 Total Man Hours
FIRE - November Report	2 calls, 8 man-hours 600 gallons - water used 10 Training 0 gallons - water used	18 Total Man Hours 600 Total Water Used
EMS – December Report	10 calls, 8 man-hours 7 Inside City Limits 2 In County 0 Training hours	10 Total Man Hours
FIRE - December Report	2 calls, 16 man-hours 600 gallons - water used 20 Training 0 gallons - water used	36 Total Man Hours 600 Total Water Used

**City secretary, Melanie Pounds:** There were 1 customer with \$100.00 Nonpayment customers in the month of January.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:16 p.m.

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Mayor

ATTEST:

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Secretary

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