STATE OF TEXAS COUNTY OF CHEROKEE CITY OF WELLS

MAY 13, 2019

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

Employees: Melanie Williamson

Visitor: Judy Harper, Cleveland Bradley, Eva & Bobby Brown, Patricia Parrish, Tammy Butler, Christin Parker, Dorothy McClain-Tillman, Sonia Smith, Paula Goins, Todd Pounds, Denis Jacobs, Jim Maddox, Michael Harris, and Aaron Kalka

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

Councilmember Michael Harris led the Invocation and Councilmember Billie Petty led the Pledge of Allegiance.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Matt Myer approving minutes of special meeting April 2, 2019, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Matt Myer approving minutes of regular meeting April 8, 2019, as written. Motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Williams welcomed the visitors. Jim Maddox and Michael Harris briefly addressed the council.

City secretary Melanie Pounds swore in with the oath of office the new 2019-2021 council members Clint Smith and Matt Myer.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Billie Petty to appoint Eva Alexander to take the vacant council seat. Motion carried unanimously.

City secretary Melanie Pounds swore in with the oath of office the new appointed 2019-2021 council member Eva Alexander.

Mayor Williams asked for pro-tem nominations. Nominations were made by Councilmember Eva Alexander to appoint Robert Kalka as mayor pro-tem and Matt Myer to appoint Billie Petty as mayor pro-tem. Mayor Williams asked for a second nomination for Billie Petty. No seconds were made. Mayor Williams asked for a second nomination for Robert Kalka. Councilmember Clint Smith gave a second for Robert Kalka. Councilmember Robert Kalka was nominated as mayor pro-tem. Councilmember Petty and Councilmember Kalka abstained from voting. Commercial Bank of Texas will be contacted to change signature cards to refect the removal of Dorothy McMillion as an approved signer and add Robert Kalka as a approved signer. C. W. Williams and Melanie Williamson will remain as approved signers. Motion carried

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Clint Smith to designate Commercial Bank of Texas as the city banking location. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Eva Alexander to designate the Cherokeean Herald as the city publishing newspaper. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Clint Smith to award sealed surplus bids. All bid items that did not reach minimal bid will be set for another bid auction with the minimum bid set at scrap prices. Motion carried unanimously.

## Bid Items:

- #1: 1995 Ford F-250 Pickup (not in working condition) Minimum bid \$1,000.00 No bids received; the scrap price based on weight \$200.00 minimum.
- #2: 2001 Expedition (as is/ not in working condition) Minimum bid \$1,000.00 Received bids for \$250.00 & \$500.00; the scrap price based on weight \$200.00 minimum.
- #3: 2000 White Ford Van (as is/ not in working condition) Minimum bid \$500.00 No bids received; the scrap price based on weight \$210.00 minimum.
- #4: 1989 John Deere Backhoe Model # 210C (as is/ not in working condition) Minimum Bid \$1,000.00
  Received bid of \$1,675.00; Larry Joe Bailey was highest bidder.
- #5: 1989 John Deere tractor Model # 950 (as is/ not in working condition) Minimum bid \$1,000.00 No bids received; the scrap price based on weight \$110.00 minimum.
- #6: 1994 Kubota Tractor Model # 950 (as is/ not in working condition) Minimum bid \$250.00 Received bid of \$250.00; Lee Starling was the highest bidder.
- #7: R40 Diesel Ditch Witch (as is/ not in working condition): Minimum bid \$500.00 No bids received; the scrap price based on weight \$130.00 minimum.
- #8: 2004 Shop Built Utility Trailer: Minimum bid \$300.00 No bids received; the scrap price based on weight \$100.00 minimum.
- #9: Wood Building (as/is): Minimum bid \$100.00 Received bid of \$300.00; Aaron Kalka was highest bidder.

A motion was made by Councilmember Matt Myer and second by Councilmember Clint Smith to table discussion for the June meeting. The city secretary will talk to the full-time employees to see who may be interested in employee-paid coverage. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Matt Myer and second by Councilmember Billie Petty to not pay the invoice for Cindy Murray. Councilmember Alexander and Councilmember Smith voted "AYE" Councilmember Kalka voted "NAY". Motion carried.

A motion was made by Councilmember Clint Smith and second by Councilmember Billie Petty to hire Gollom Morgan and Peddy to do data entry for 2014-2018 QuickBooks's, bid price \$50,000.00. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Matt Myer and second by Councilmember Clint Smith not to get any more quotes for the data entry for 2014-2018 QuickBooks's. Motion carried unanimously.

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

The April 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** - Carl Pennington reported that he has had a very wet month and hasn't been able to patch any roads.

LUFTEX Gears, Manufacturing and Services is working on a new gear for the clarifier. They will come out at measure the gear box. The paddlewheels should be replaced by TXCDBG grant that the city has applied for.

The water well is working correctly at this time. If anything changes Carl will get it fixed in a timely manner.

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Clint Smith to obtain an additional bid for the gear manufacturing at the sewer plant. Motion carried unanimously.

**Police Department:** Chief Harold Rapsilver thanked the council for their support.

Type of Call	Totals
Assisted Cherokee County	4
Arrest	9
Calls inside the city limits of Wells	15
Traffic Stops	229
Citations Issued	255

A motion was made by Councilmember Robert Kalka and second by Councilmember Matt Myer to table the chief contract until a special meeting is held. Motion carried unanimously.

**VFD** - Robert Kalka

EMS - April Report	11 calls, 102 man hours	114 Total Man Hours
	12 Training hours	
FIRE - April Report	4 calls, 146 man hours 1	146 Total Man hours
	0 gallons of water used 12	600 Total Water Used
	Training hours	
	00 gallons of water used	

Fire Chief Kalka let the council know that the fire department has purchased a generator to allow the department to be the hub for the city in a natural disaster.

## City secretary, Melanie Williamson: Nothing to report.

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

Meeting adjourned at 8:38 p.m.		
	Mayor	
City Secretary		