

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING  
GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF WELLS  
WELLS CITY HALL – WELLS, TEXAS  
MONDAY, AUGUST 12, 2024  
7:00 P.M.  
MINUTES

**1. CALL TO ORDER:**

Mayor Tony McKnight called to order at 7:02 p.m.

**2. FIRST ORDER OF BUSINESS**

**a) ROLL CALL, ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM.**

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

Employees: Melanie Pounds, Roy Shanks and Harold Rapsilver.

**b) RECOGNITION OF VISITORS.**

Mayor McKnight welcomed the visitor and acknowledged the visitors signed up to speak.  
Visitor(s): None

**c) APPROVE MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING APRIL 8, 2024.**

Councilmember Gordon Cole made a motion and Councilmember Robert Kalka made a second to approve May 20, 2024, as written. The motion carried unanimously.

**3. CHEROKEE APPRAISAL DISTRICT NOMINATION TO FILL BOARD VACANCY RESOLUTION.**

A motion was made by Councilmember Gordon Cole and second by Councilmember Robert Kalka approving the nomination of Jethro "Jed" Morris for the nomination for the board vacancy resolution. Motion carried unanimously.

**4. DEPARTMENT REPORTS - WATER/SEWER, POLICE, EMS/FIRE, CITY HALL  
WATER AND SEWER - Roy Shanks, Operator:**

The Water plant and Sewer plant are both running well.

Roy asked that the council looked at planning on painting the outside of the elevated tank replaced at the water plant.

Consolidated Tank is coming next week to repair the leak at the elevated tank and replace the rusty bolts on the ground storage tank.

Councilmember Robert Kalka asked that the tree limbs that have fallen from the storm be removed from the city ROW; some of the limbs are blocking the side of the ROW.

**POLICE DEPARTMENT - Harold Rapsilver, Chief:**

Chief Harold Rapsilver was not in attendance, the monthly report was given to the council.

Type of calls	Totals
Assisted Cherokee County	3
Arrest – Traffic/Warrant	1
Calls inside the city limits of Wells	23
Traffic Stops	376
Citations Issued	432
Warnings Issued	23

**VOLUNTEER FIRE AND EMS - Fire Chief, and Assistant Chief Robert Kalka.**

<b>APRIL 2024</b>		<b>Totals</b>
<b>EMS Report</b>	10 Calls – 5 City Limits & 5 County 36 Man-Hours 15 Training Man-Hours	51 - man-hours in total
<b>FIRE Report</b>	3 call - 2 City Limit & 1 County 22 Man-Hours 0 gallons of water used. 34 Training Man-Hours 0 gallons of water used.	56 - man-hours in total 500 - gallons of water used

**CITY SECRETARY -Melanie Pounds:**

There were seven (7) \$100.00 non-payment fees to unpaid accounts in the month of May.  
Two (2) \$50.00 partial-payment fees added to unpaid accounts in the month of May.  
Two (2) customers were disconnected for non-payment in May and were still disconnected as of the council meeting.  
Twenty-Five (25) customers received a \$10.00 Trash Cart in ROW fee.

**5. CONVENED TO EXECUTIVE SESSION PER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE ANN PERSONELL: (GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074)- START TIME 7:35 P.M. RECONVENE FROM THE EXECUTIVE SESSION TO TAKE ACTION RELATED TO THE DISCUSSION IN EXECUTIVE SESSION. END TIME 7:47 P.M.**

**a. PERSONELL DISCUSSION**

No action for the agenda item, typed minutes for the executive session portion of the meeting can be found on the Certified Minutes attached to the Regular Meetings Minutes that are approved by the city council.

**6. APPROVE PAYMENT OF MONTHLY BILLS.**

Councilmember Gordon Cole made a motion and Councilmember Robert Kalka made a second to pay the monthly bills. The motion carried unanimously.

**7. REVIEW MAY BUDGET COMPARISON FOR GENERAL AND WATER SEWER.**

The city council reviewed the May 2024 budget summary. This item is a discussion only item.

**8. ADJOURN.**

Councilmember Robert Kalka made a motion and Councilmember Billie Petty made a second to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:51 p.m.

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Mayor

ATTEST

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City Secretary