

Members present at the Special Meeting were Mayor Tony McKnight, Councilmembers Billie Petty, Clint Smith, Eva Alexander, and Gordon Cole. Robert Kalka was not in attendance.

Employees: Melanie Pounds, Harold Rapsilver and Roy Shanks

Visitors: None

The meeting was called to order at 7:17 pm to replace the canceled regular meeting from August 8, 2022.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gordon Cole and a second by Councilmember Eva Alexander to select the voter-approved tax rate of \$0.48129/\$100.00 for the 2022 tax period. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gordon Cole and a second by Councilmember Billie Petty 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.

The water department repairs two large leaks at the Dollar General and on E Sixth Street. They also installed one meter and sewer tap on W. Frank Edge.

The Sewer Department has six broken clean-outs on W. Frank Edge that will need to be repaired.

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

May Report

Type of calls	Totals
Assisted Cherokee County	3
Arrest – Traffic/Warrant	3
Calls inside the city limits of Wells	6
Traffic Stops	269
Citations Issued	325

June Report

Type of calls	Totals
Assisted Cherokee County	2
Arrest – Traffic/Warrant	2
Calls inside the city limits of Wells	7
Traffic Stops	216
Citations Issued	274

July Report

Type of calls	Totals
Assisted Cherokee County	2
Arrest – Traffic/Warrant	1
Calls inside the city limits of Wells	9
Traffic Stops	196
Citations Issued	251

VFD – Kelly Collins, Chief
Robert Kalka, Assistant Chief

No report was not given due to not being in attendance; reports will be given at the September meeting.

City secretary - Melanie Pounds: June 2022 – Six \$100.00 nonpayment fees were applied; One disconnect. **July 2022** – Seven \$100.00 nonpayment fees were applied; Three disconnect.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gordon Cole and a second by Councilmember Eva Alexander to have a yearly tax inspection at the \$3,000.00 rate with D and H Services. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gordon Cole and a second by Councilmember Billie Petty to hire D and H Services to make the needed repairs to the elevated water tower and secure the \$44,200.00 loan from Commercial Bank of Texas that is needed for the repairs. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gordon Cole and a second by Councilmember Billie Petty to amend the rules and regulations and Ordinance No. 2018-06 to install personal shut-off valves and valve boxes on all meters that have to be replaced or turned off due to a leak or serviced. Customers needing assistance with turning off their personal shut-offs will not be charged. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gordon Cole and a second by Councilmember Eva Alexander to hire Forrest White to replace the roof on the library that was damaged by a falling tree. The bid amount of \$14,400.00 is the lowest and best option for the library. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Billie Petty Cole and a second by Councilmember Eva Alexander to schedule the 2022-2023 budget workshop for August 27, 2022 @ 11:00 am. Motion carried unanimously.

A motion was made by Councilmember Gordon Cole and a second by Councilmember Billie Petty to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 8:08 pm.

Mayor

Secretary