

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
OCTOBER 3, 2016**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, October 3, 2016, at 7:00 P.M. at the Council Chambers located at 607 Upton Avenue, Schulenburg, Texas. The elected officials present were Mayor Roger Moellenberndt and Aldermen Rodney Gresser, Arnold Stoever, Harvey Hercik and Larry Veselka. City Staff included Tami Walker – City Administrator, Troy Brenek – Chief of Police, Monte Akers – City Attorney, Candace Berger, Richard Schneider – Code Enforcement Officer, Darryl Moeller – Street Superintendent and Derek Schwenke – Electric Department.

Visitors included

Junette Rodecamp – Herman Sons spokesperson, Frank and Becky Bohlmann, Bill Michalke, Rene Sustr, James Brossmann, Bill Michalke, Edward Boehm, Kitty and Paul Dittrich, Wanda and Ted Stanzel, Mary Kay Seifert, Elgin Kristinik of Prime Products and Lisa Mederos of the Schulenburg Sticker.

Mayor Moellenberndt called the meeting to order and Candace Berger led the group in prayer. Mayor Moellenberndt then led the pledge.

Under **Presentations by Citizens**, Alderman Hercik thanked everyone for making the downtown area very presentable for the Car Show held on Saturday, October 1st and Junette Rodecamp spoke on behalf of the Herman Sons and their support for the City to retain ownership of the Community Center and the continued use as a community facility for everyone's use.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gresser to approved the **Consent Agenda** items of accepting the minutes of the regular Council Meeting held on September 19, 2016 and the Special Meeting held on September 26, 2016 and payment of the current bills. The motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Gresser led the discussion on the possible sale of the Community Center property. After the group toured the Boy Scout Hut, members had a change of heart regarding the sale of the Community Center. Alderman Gresser recommended the Council table the sale of the property and keep the Community Center until the City completes future renovations at the Civic Center. If the Community Center were sold and the Civic Center is being renovated, what rental facility would the citizens have to hold functions. The Council could then evaluate the continued ownership of the Community Center. Alderman Veselka agreed, especially since its appraisal value and possible sale value were a great distance apart. He said the City could stick a little money in the Community Center – new stove and fix some electrical. Alderman Stoever agreed as well. Alderman Hercik had no objection. Alderman Veselka then made a motion to table the sale of the Community Center for at least two years. Alderman Stoever seconded the motion which passed unanimously.

Mayor Moellenberndt introduced the item regarding the vacancy of the Place 2 position on the City Council. Alderman Veselka stated that he discussed the options available with City Attorney Akers. Alderman Veselka did not want to see the position sit vacant for the next seven months. He stated that he would like to nominate former Alderman Rehak to fill the position – even though he knew it would make Alderman Hercik mad. He had contacted her to see if she would be willing to serve if approved and she stated that she would. Alderman Veselka proceeded with a motion to formally nominate Brenda Rehak. Alderman Gresser seconded the motion. The motion passed on a three to one vote with Aldermen Gresser, Stoever and Veselka voting for Ms. Rehak and Alderman Hercik voting against Ms. Rehak.

Alderman Hercik questioned the appointment of a new Mayor Pro-tem. Mr. Akers stated that it needed to be an agenda item for action and should be placed on the next agenda.

Alderman Hercik stated that he thought that the appointment should have been discussed, that he was not happy and it does not set well. Alderman Veselka stated that was what they were doing – discussing it and he should have said something. Alderman Hercik asked why he did not nominate Stoever's opponent and Alderman Veselka stated that he did not care as much for him. Mayor Moellenberndt stated that he was sorry for the disharmony that Alderman Hercik was feeling.

Under **Reports from Officers**, the following were given:

Municipal Court Judge Alana Wyatt's report was reviewed with no comments.

Chief of Police Troy Brenek stated they recovered cash, checks, credit card receipts and safe from break in at Willie Joe's, additional charges pending against one subject, thank you to Paddy and Kaaren Magliolo for their kind words on social media and Fayette County Record; Officer Weiser has been attending training; house cleaning at the police department; thank you to Darryl Moeller for the striping in front of police department; thank you to Glenn Muhlstein for always mowing at the police department; Monster Dash street closing for the 15th; fire department will assist with traffic through Meadow Creek for Halloween; administrative warrants served on 119 E. Summit and 1109 Pierce – homes secured with locks and filing substandard housing violations; Meet & Greet with raffle will be on November 9th. - proceeds from the raffle tickets are used for scholarships (4 - \$1000.00 given), sponsorships of Little League teams, Little Dribblers, Schulenburg Sharks and donations to St. Rose – over \$25,000.00 in seven years.

The **Electric Department** read meters; pulled poles at the Sports Complex; fixed 1000W lights for Kountry Bakery and Executive Inn; terminated secondary wires at Monogram; trimmed tree limbs; removed pole and light at 208 Klesel; changed a few meters; set pole for Mike Demel; changed ballasts and bulbs on railroad park lights and LiteCo is in town setting new lights at the ball fields.

The **Park Department** performed regular maintenance (mowing, weed eating, clean restrooms); picked up animals and placed in dog pound when needed; set light poles of Field #2 at Sports Complex and fixed water leak at Sports Complex.

The **Water Department** replaced flow meters at Wells #8, 9, 10, 11 and 12; prepared operations and maintenance manual for TCEQ inspection; prepared all water plants and well sites and got paperwork ready for TCEQ inspection; met with TCEQ Inspector for compliance inspection of water system; made two 6" tie ins at Russek Street and West Avenue; plugged old 6" AC water main in 200 block of West Avenue; standby crew repaired 6" water main break on East Avenue at the Food Pantry; repaired 2" water leak at Sports Complex caused by drilling holes for new light poles; connects, disconnects and line locates.

The **Wastewater Department** changed bearing #2 rotor at Kallus Sewer Plant; repaired major sewer problem at Russek Street Apartments; replaced 25' main, new down pipe and tap; paved with street department and poured concrete at Kallus Sewer Plant.

The **Street/Garbage Department** prepared and paved East Avenue, Heinrich Street, East Anderson, Paulus Street and Sports Complex – 8,400 gallons of oil and 25 loads of rock were used; picked up brush when citizens pay the \$25 for removal; helped with concrete form and poured concrete at Kallus Sewer Plant; trimmed trees; built new curb and gutter for drainage at St. John Road Apartments; removed trees from cemetery and delivered and picked up roll off containers.

Under the **Administrative Department**, Tami Walker, City Administrator reported that a courtesy spray for crickets on North Main Street from The Sticker Office to Baumgarten Matula was performed and then the workers blew off the sidewalks and swept the streets; striping contractor completed work; thanked the county for assistance; ordered new Christmas tree for the downtown; condolences to James Brossmann for the loss of his brother; Techline in town performing work and Prime Products requested to purchase 10' along the west property line of current property. Mr. Kristinik addressed the Council regarding this purchase request and stated that he would even be interested in purchasing the entire lot back. Attorney Akers stated that the city would be required to secure an appraisal/bids on property.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gresser to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 P.M. The motion passed unanimously.