

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG  
SCHULENBURG, TX  
JULY 10, 2017**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, July 10, 2017, at the Council Chambers located at 607 Upton Avenue, Schulenburg, Texas, at 7:00 P.M. The elected officials present included Mayor Otto Kocian, Aldermen Chip Bubela, Wendy Fietsam, Arnold Stoever, Harvey Hercik and Larry Veselka. City Staff present were City Administrator, Tami Blaschke-Walker, Derek Schwenke, Chief Troy Brenek and Megan Bartos.

Visitors included Lisa Mederos of the Schulenburg Sticker, James Brossmann, Pastor Lemae Higgs, Ivan Havassy, Lou Driver, Helen Ohnheiser, Phil Leaman, Ivan Veslasquez, Andy Bosl and Elgin Kristinik.

Mayor Otto Kocian presented a few items that he has been doing the last couple of weeks.

- On June 27th him and his wife visited the new Phoenix Dialysis clinic in Weimar
- Attended the Bishop Forest Museum Grand Opening
- Visited with Ms. Williams about the Community Cemetery
- Reported there was an accident on Friday at the Catholic Cemetery
- Black Street is progressing
- City employees are getting a lot done as far as patching potholes and mowing
- Attended a hurricane preparedness meeting with TxDot and City Employees

Items (a) through (b) are Consent Agenda items with no separate discussion unless a Councilmember requests further information.

- (a) City Council will consider and take action on the minutes from the regular meeting held on June 19, 2017.
- (b) City Council will consider and take action on the payment of current bills.

Alderman Stoever made a motion, seconded by Alderman Fietsam to accept the Consent Agenda items (a) through (b). The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Walker said that in the past few weeks, there has been a few meetings to finalize the land swap with Prime Products. The latest is that the City would possibly keep the land and give them the easement. She also noted for clarification purposes on the agenda KFS Marketing was used instead of Prime Products, however, KFS Marketing leases to Prime Products. To keep everything legal, the names have to be properly documented.

Alderman Fietsam made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hercik to accept the conveyance of a 31.6' easement from the City of Schulenburg to KFS Marketing. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Walker stated that the new list of new Mayoral appointments included in the packet had updated information. Alderman Veselka was added to the Expo Board, Alderman Fietsam was added to the Economic Development Board and the Library Board was also updated.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bubela to accept the 2017 Mayoral Appointments. The motion passed unanimously.

Water Department activities included:

- Line locates, connects and disconnects. Meter change outs. Read meters.
- Repaired 2" water leak at Sports Complex.
- Installed new fountain faucet at Wolters Park restrooms.
- Met with BEFCO in reference to Black Street Waterline Replacement Project. Cut in two 6" valves at Black and Wolters. Installed 300' of new C-900 water main in 700 block of Black.
- Repaired 10" main leaking in yard piping at Well #9.
- Sent in disinfectant level quarterly operating reports to TCEQ.

Wastewater Department activities included:

- Hauled 3 loads of sludge from Babylon Plant.
- Mowed both Plants and Lift Stations.
- Working on Black Street Rehab Project. Laid new sewer line in 500 block.
- Made sewer tap on Keuper Street.

Street / Garbage Department activities included:

- Picked up brush when citizens pay the \$25 for removal.
- Hauled containers to Creedmoor and Altair.
- Drove and rode on garbage truck.
- Patched potholes.
- Trimmed trees along Balcar property on Highway 77.
- Helped Water Department install water lines.
- Helped Wastewater Department backfill trenches.

Electric Department activities included:

- Connects and disconnects. Meter change outs.
- Trimmed tree limbs.
- Repaired street lights.
- Installed 25' meter loop pole and a 30' inline pole, installed two anchors, ran service wire and tied into the transformer at 610 South Street.
- Replaced rope and latches for the flag pole at St Rose Cemetery.
- Wolters Park Pavilion: Ran conduit, added junction boxes, pulled wire and changed breakers for the new fans to be installed on July 12th by the fan company.
- Set 25' pole at the Rodeo Arena to add a meter loop and more plugs for Festival. Also upgraded meter loop on the back side for additional plugs for Paddy's refrigeration trailer.
- Upgraded power lines in 100 and 200 blocks of St John Road. Hung transformers, cutouts and cut down the open secondary wires to have better control of outages.

Park Department activities included:

- Regular maintenance (mowing, weed eating, clean restrooms)
- Picked up animals and placed in dog pound when needed.
- Preparing for KC's State Tournament rescheduled for Saturday, July 8th.
- Cleaned Schulenburg Community Cemetery.

- Sprayed weeds along roadways.

Chief of Police, Troy Brenek, reported on the following:

- Attended a meeting with TxDot, Tobey McFadden and Kyle Hengst on I10 hurricane contra flow.
- There have been an increase of calls in which a few of them have been fraud.
- Sent a press release to the Schulenburg Sticker about an unprovoked assault on I10. Officers McFadden and Meagher helped out along with Schulenburg's local ride service business, Schuber.
- Athletic Director Brown has gotten with Code Enforcement and helped citizens come into compliance with their yards.
- Been working on budget.
- Cleaning and reorganizing the Police Department. A big thank you to the Street Department employees for helping with all the trash/garbage.
- Attended a meeting with TxDot and the Flatonia & Schulenburg Fire Departments. The goal is to maintain an open relationship for I10 accidents.

City Administrator, Tami Blaschke-Walker, reported the following:

June 20th	Library Board Meeting at the Schulenburg Public Library
June 21st	Met with Bob Schmidt, O'Malley Strand related to projects for the next budget year for water and wastewater.
June 26th	Met with Time Sanders and Harvey Hercik at the Sports Complex.
June 27th	Met with Mayor Kocian and LCRA's General Manager, Phil Wilson
June 28th- July 3rd	Vacation
July 4th	Observance of Holiday - office closed
July 5th	Returned to office and met payroll deadlines

A few additional items:

- Currently working with Prime Products and Prime Industries
- Preparing for budget and future budget workshops
- Accident at St. Rose Cemetery (Friday, July 7th)
- An additional \$17,275 will need to be spent on boring for the Water Dept. on Black St.
- Extend sympathy to Mr. & Mrs. Harvey Hercik for the loss of his father in law.

Alderman Veselka wanted to note that at the Library Board meeting, he was very impressed with the Schulenburg Public Library and all they do and offer. Thadious Polasek does a great job with the summer program and all the grant work he does.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hercik to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.