

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
February, 1, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, February, 1, 2021 at 6:00 P.M. in the Council Chambers located at 607 Upton Avenue, Schulenburg, Texas. The elected officials present included Mayor Elaine Kocian, Aldermen Chip Bubela, Wendy Fietsam, Ben Herzik, Clarence Ahlschlager, and Larry Veselka. City Staff present were City Administrator, Tami Walker, Operations' Manager, Darryl Moeller, and Mason Florus.

Visitors included Darrell Vyvjala of the Schulenburg Sticker and Iván Velasquez.

Mayor Kocian called role and led the Pledge of Allegiance. Mason Florus said a prayer over the meeting and its members.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Fietsam, to accept Consent Agenda items A and B. The motion passed unanimously.

- (A) The minutes from the Council Meeting held on January 19, 2021.
- (B) The payment of current bills.

Mrs. Walker announced that Library Director, Thadious Polasek, presented a Long-Range Plan for the Schulenburg Public Library to the Library Board. The Library Board approved the plan and needed Council's approval.

Alderman Bubela made a motion, seconded by Alderman Herzik to accept the Long-Range Plan. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Walker led discussion on an ordinance ordering and approving notice of a General Election for the City of Schulenburg, Texas, to be held on the 1st of May 2021.

Alderman Herzik made a motion, seconded by Alderman Veselka to order the election. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Walker gave an update on the Elevated Storage Tank at Interstate 10. Mrs. Walker spoke with Water Superintendent, Jason Strickland, and the contractor. The interior dry portion of the water tower did not need to be painted. However, Will Huebner, an engineer with Strand, professed in an email that since it was in the bid the City should be subject to a credit. Viking responded that none of the dry area was subject to being painted, just pressure washing and spot repairs.

Mrs. Walker gave an update on the CBDG GLO-MIT application. Mrs. Walker stated that this pertained to the drainage project however the GLO delayed dispensing the money and the City won't hear anything until March.

Mrs. Walker gave an update on the public hearing held on Tuesday, January 26, 2021. Mrs. Walker said no one was in attendance. The City is currently working on assigning an engineer and an administrator for the grant.

Municipal Court Judge, Kayla Peter's report was presented to Council.

Chief of Police, Troy Brenek reported that the department purchased two new vehicles and the City is waiting to equip them. The vehicles should be ready mid to late February. Chief Brenek also reported that the City hired a new officer, Brent Gindler. Gindler is a fourteen-year veteran from the Gonzales County Sheriff's Department.

Library Director, Thadious Polasek's report was presented to council. The Library is open Tuesdays and Thursdays and is still providing curbside service.

Operations' Manager, Darryl Moeller, updated Council on all department activities:

- Parks department continued preparing the ball fields and installed the cap on the top to the outfield fence on the Girls' Softball Field.
- Street Department did major patching on Baumgarten St. and worked on rebuilding a truck into a flatbed.
- Sewer Department drained sludge and worked on a service line on Wolf St.
- Water Department worked on a 2 Inch water line at Baumgarten and Simpson. They flushed out the Elevated Storage Tank at Interstate 10.
- Electric Department replaced poles, street lights, and services. They also worked on some wiring at the Main Pump House.
- All department Heads met with ACE Hardware for a pre-construction meeting.
- Pete Garcia turned in his two weeks' notice and his last day will be on February 11.

City Administrator, Tami Walker, reported the following:

- She met with the Texan on Friday and today the Lobby of City Hall officially re-opened.

Council adjourned into executive session at 6:22 P.M.

No action was taken on the Real Property – Lot 1 & 2, Block 1 Ignacio Almansur League Abstract No. 120 and Mrs. Walker was authorized to preform her duties as applicable. Council adjourned that session at 6:39 P.M.

No action was taken on Personnel Matters and Mrs. Walker was granted authority to perform her duties as applicable.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Herzik to adjourn the meeting at 8:07 P.M. The motion passed unanimously.