

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG  
SCHULENBURG, TX  
December 6, 2021**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, December 6, 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, Wendy Fietsam, Larry Veselka, Ben Herzik, and Clarence Ahlschlager. City Staff present were City Administrator, Tami Walker, Operations Manager, Darryl Moeller, and Assistant City Secretary, Mason Florus. Visitors included, Darrell Vyvjala of the Schulenburg Sticker, Reverend Andrew Stafford, and Ivan Velasquez.

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

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Fietsam, to accept the Consent Agenda. The motion passed unanimously.

- (A) The minutes from the Regular Scheduled Meeting on November 15, 2021
- (B) The minutes from the Garbage Workshop held on November 29, 2021
- (C) The payment of current bills

Mrs. Walker led discussion on removing previous Council members on the signature cards at the City's depository, Fayetteville Bank. Mrs. Walker suggested Council remove former Aldermen Chip Bubela and Geoffrey Schiffl.

Alderman Herzik made a motion, seconded by Alderman Ahlschlager, to remove Bubela and Schiffl off the signature cards. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Walker led discussion on adding names on the signature cards at the City's depository, Fayetteville Bank. Mrs. Walker suggested adding Aldermen Clarence Ahlschlager and Greg Thomas along with Assistant City Secretary, Mason Florus, to the signature cards.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Herzik, to add Ahlschlager, Thomas, and Florus to the signature cards. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Walker led discussion on moving the second Council Meeting in February due to Presidents' Day. Mrs. Walker suggested moving the meeting scheduled on Monday, February 21 to Tuesday, February 22.

Alderman Herzik made a motion, seconded by Alderman Fietsam, to move the meeting to Tuesday, February 22. The motion passed unanimously.

Assistant City Secretary, Mason Florus, presented Council with information on a text alert system. Mr. Florus stated that the company, Text My Gov, reached out to him in November and he felt like this was a good way to send out mass text messages to customers (similar to the Reverse 911 system) and also give citizens a new avenue of reporting workorders to City Hall.

Florus provided a demo to Council and went over the quote that would be a two-year contract with an initial \$1,400 setup fee and \$3,500 annually. Alderman Herzik commented that he would like more information and more time to think about the system. Alderman Ahlschlager suggested that the City wait until October so it can be budgeted. Florus stated that this particular quote is good until December 10, and the price may go increase.

Alderman Herzik made a motion, seconded by Alderman Veselka, to table the item for a future meeting after more information is gathered. The motion passed unanimously.

Municipal Court Judge, Kayla Peters, Chief of Police, Troy Brenek, and Library Director, Thadious Polasek's reports were presented in Council's Packets.

Operations Manager, Darryl Moeller, reported the following:

- Electric Department worked on hanging all the Christmas lights around town and worked on several outages
- Street Department built some walls at Babylon and started winterizing the plant. They also filled in for garbage as some sanitation workers took vacation
- Swater Department cleaned the headworks at Kallus, and worked on the I10, Meadowcreek, and Boneyard Liftstations. Eric completed his Basic Water Class and is now just waiting to test for his Class C Water License

Moeller added that starting January 1, 2022, the on-call schedule will be different. There will be crews of three with the Electric Department on call every three weeks while the Swater Department and a Helper will be on call every five weeks.

City Administrator, Tami Walker, reported the following to Council:

- On November 29 myself and Brenda Shelby met at the Title office in regards to the property located at 1003 Kallus St.
- November 30-December 1, Chief, Mason, and myself attended an open government training put on by the Attorney General's Office
- Today I attended a meeting with The Texan in regards to signs
- Tomorrow I will attend a meeting with Supak in regards to work on the liftstation
- Wednesday I will have a meeting with Schneider in regards to the electrical system

Mrs. Walker wanted to commend the Electric Department for hanging all the Christmas lights. Mrs. Walker also commended the Chamber on a successful Lighted Parade and thanked them for bringing the Parade back to Schuenburg.

Alderman Veselka asked where all the Electric workers lived. His concern was if they can be in Schuenburg in time if there is a structure fire so they can kill the power for SVFD.

Operations Manager, Darryl Moeller, said he can pull meters and fuses. Mrs. Walker added that SVFD requested a "Stick" in the past but the City will not provide one unless the firefighters go through the proper training. Moeller said he would get with the Electric Department and provide the proper training if needed.

At 6:28, Council adjourned into an executive session to discuss the following pursuant to Government Code, Section 551.072 Deliberation about real property located at 1003 Kallus Street.

Council adjourned out of Executive Session a 6:48 with no action taken.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Herzik, to adjourn the meeting at 6:49. The motion passed unanimously.