

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
July 1, 2024**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, July 1, 2024, at 6:30 P.M. in the Council Chambers located at 607 Upton Avenue, Schulenburg, Texas. The elected officials present included Mayor, Connie Koopmann, Alderwoman, Kathy Kleiber, Aldermen, Greg Thomas, Roger Moellenberndt, and Clarence Ahlschlager. City Staff present were City Administrator, Tami Walker, Operations Manager, Darryl Moeller, Police Chief, Troy Brenek, and City Secretary, Mason Florus.

Visitors included Darrell Vyyjala of the Schulenburg Sticker, Stanley Pesek with the Schulenburg Knights of Columbus, Joshua Mendel, and Iván Velasquez.

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

Under Presentations by Citizen, Joshua Mendel followed up with Council about the road in front of his property. Mr. Mendel stated he has property in the Wolters Subdivision off Highway 90, and his address is 403 E. N Main, and was inquiring why the City has not contacted him about paving his street.

After Mr. Medel concluded, Mayor Koopmann stated that the attorney is currently looking into the situation.

City Administrator, Tami Walker, interjected that the City did blade the current road to assist. She also stated that if the City does pave the road it has to be engineered, and that does not happen overnight.

Alderman Ahlschlager made a motion, seconded by Alderwoman Kleiber, to accept Consent Agenda Items A, B, and C. The motion passed unanimously.

- A. Minutes from the Regular Scheduled Council Meeting held on June 17, 2024
- B. Minutes from the Preliminary Budget Meeting held on June 25, 2024
- C. Payment of Current Bills

Mrs. Walker invited Stanley Pesek, Co-director of the Schulenburg Knights of Columbus Schulenburg Festival Softball Tournament, to present to Council his request for HOT Funds.

Mr. Pesek asked Council for \$8,875. This is \$500 more than what the KCs requested last year. Mr. Pesek stated that the increase is because the tournament is trying to secure more shades and fans to combat the heat.

Mrs. Walker stated that Council budgeted \$10,000 for the KCs State and Festival Tournament. The KCs did not host the State Tournament this year.

Mayor Koopman professed to Council that she would like to see Council bestow the whole \$10,000 to the KCs for the Festival Tournament.

Alderman Moellenberndt made a motion, seconded by Alderman Thomas, to grant \$10,000 in HOT Funds to the Schulenburg KCs for their Festival Softball Tournament. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Walker led discussion on possibly setting an additional Budget Workshop date in preparation of the FY 2024-2025.

Mrs. Walker stated due to the work that needs to be done at City Hall, she advises that Council sets an additional date. In the past, we've typically scheduled this workshop the week after the Festival. Mrs. Walker added that the budget needs to be ready to be presented to the public at the August 19th Council Meeting.

Alderwoman Kleiber made a motion, seconded by Alderman Thomas, to schedule a Budget Workshop on Tuesday August 6, at 6:30 P.M. at the Council Chambers. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Walker led discussion on constructing a building at the County Barn Lift Station.

Mrs. Walker informed Council that the new lift station at the County Barn, has a cover but no protection from the wind. In order to better protect the City's infrastructure, staff is wanting build a shelter around the lift station to protect it from the elements.

Operations Manager, Darryl Moeller, stated he don't know off the top of his head but he knows the bid is under \$20,000. He continued that Haworth was the lowest bidder at he believes \$19,761. It's an insulated metallic building with a big rollup door.

Mrs. Walker added that she wants to get it done now before the winter months. It is under \$20,000 but since it is not budgeted, she is requesting action from Council.

Alderwoman Klieber asked if we have the funds available. Mrs. Walker replied yes, there is leftover money from an Electric Department project.

Alderman Ahlschlager made a motion, seconded by Alderman Thomas, to accept the bid from Haworth to construct a building at the County Barn Lift Station. The motion passed unanimously.

Municipal Court Judge, Kayla Peters', Chief Brenek's Code Enforcement and Police Report, and Library Director, Thadious Polasek's reports were included in Council's Packets. Mrs. Walker informed Council that Steve Strickland emailed that he had nothing to report for the month of June.

Chief Brenek did inform Council that he is currently working with Chuck Brown Ford to locate a police car to replace the one that was wrecked.

Operations Manager, Darryl Moeller, reported the following to Council:

- A lot of the guys helped move City Hall and moved phonelines and replaced lights, they all did a great job
- Smith is done with the electric line work on 2672
- We've been meeting with ServePro and multiple contractors on City Hall and other projects
- College Street work is continuing and is scheduled to be completed on time

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

- Echoed Moeller's statements about meeting with contractors
- Spent Friday moving City Hall, thanked Darryl and Glenn Polasek for coordinating the guys to assist in moving
- Portions of the floor in City Hall's Multi-Purpose Room was cut out to locate plumbing that has to be repaired
- FSS is conducting another walkthrough to inspect the foundation work
- City Hall will be closed the remainder of the week. We moved one night drop box to the new location so there are boxes at 535 N. Main and 605 Upton

Alderman Moellenberndt asked if the structural engineer visited City Hall yet. Mrs. Walker answered that one engineer was on vacation last week and the other one is on vacation this week. Hopefully after the holiday they will inspect City Hall as soon as possible.

Alderman Moellenberndt also inquired about the Civic Center. Mrs. Walker replied that Cutright and Prihoda will host a pre-bid meeting on Thursday, July 11th at 9:30. Sealed Bids are also due August 1.

Alderwoman Klieber commended City Staff for moving offices so quickly.

Alderman Moellenberndt commended City Staff for putting out the flags for the upcoming holiday.

Mayor Koopmann wished everyone a happy and safe 4th of July Holiday.

Alderwoman Kleiber made a motion, seconded by Alderman Moellenberndt, to adjourn the meeting at 7:02. The motion passed unanimously.