

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
MARCH 21, 2016**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, March 21, 2016, at the Council Chambers located at 607 Upton Avenue, Schulenburg, Texas, at 7:00 P.M. The elected officials present included Mayor Roger Moellenberndt, Aldermen Rodney Gresser, Douglas Behlen, Roland Kalina, Brenda Rehak and Larry Veselka. City Staff present were City Administrator, Tami Blaschke-Walker, Melissa Shepard and David Osina.

Visitors included Lisa Mederos of the Schulenburg Sticker, Bradley Loehr of BEFCO Engineering, Dennis Venghaus and Ivan Velasquez.

Alderman Behlen made a motion, seconded by Alderman Veselka to accept the Planning and Zoning Commission's recommendation to rezone 3.456 acres for Monogram Food Solutions located behind and west of 1315 Russek Street to heavy industrial for the purpose of constructing a wastewater pre-treatment plant. The motion passed unanimously.

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

- (a) The minutes from the March 7, 2016 regular meeting were presented for approval.
- (b) Current bills were presented for approval.

Alderman Behlen made a motion, seconded by Alderman Veselka to accept the Consent Agenda items (a) through (b) excluding the bill for Weimar Home Furnishers until a Purchase Order can be provided showing who approved the installation of the carpets and the purchase of the 2 large screen TV's.

Alderman Kalina stated that the concrete was cut in the floor to install all the wiring and needed to be covered.

Alderman Rehak insured that the City pays their bills and Alderman Behlen can get all of the information he needs but would like to get this bill paid.

Alderman Kalina made a motion, seconded by Alderman Rehak to pay the bill from Weimar Home Furnishers. The motion passed with Alderman Gresser, Kalina and Rehak voting for and Alderman Behlen and Veselka voting against.

Mrs. Blaschke – Walker informed Council that we still have not received a Service Plan for the Wolters Subdivision from Ryan Wotipka who has sold 4 of the 8 lots. Two houses have been built and a third one is about to begin.

Bradley Loehr of BEFCO Engineering presented some options to correct the wastewater gravity flow problem in the Wolters Subdivision. The best option includes installing a lift station for the 8 lots with a force main west to Anderson and Avenue A. This is an estimated cost of \$68,125.00.

Alderman Behlen stated that he would not vote in favor of this. This is the property owner's problem and should have been addressed prior to the start of the building of houses. He does not expect the property owner to incur all of the costs. The City should cost share this project.

David Osina, Wastewater Superintendent, informed Council that lot #2 should have gravity flowed but it did not. We are working with the plumber to install a pump to help with the flow. It will be placed just outside the yard in the alleyway.

No action was taken at this time. We are waiting on an agreement with the developer.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Kalina to adopt an Investment Policy Resolution for the City of Schulenburg. The motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Rehak made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gresser to accept the Election Services Agreement between the Fayette County Elections Administrator, the City of Schulenburg and the Schulenburg Independent School District. The motion passed unanimously.

Water Department activities included:

- Line locates, connects and disconnects. Meter change outs.
- Read meters.
- Drained and flushed sand trap at Main Pump House.
- Met with O'Malley Strand inspector at new ground storage tank for final inspection on paint job.
- Water Equipment Treatment cleaned and installed new filter media in aerator at Main Pump House.
- Sent of the new revised Sample Monitoring Plan to comply with TCEQ's revised Total Coliform Rule.
- Began pumping out and pressure washing City Pool.
- Met with Fayette County Groundwater officials to collect samples on Well #8 and Well #12, to test for VOC's and all metals.
- Welcomed two new employees into the Water Department, Darren Redding and Travis Leihardt.
- Helped with City Wide Cleanup.

Wastewater Department activities included:

- Hauled 6 loads of sludge from Babylon Plant and 2 loads from Kallus Plant.
- Replaced 6' of main and replaced tap at Summit Street alley behind Cozy Theater.
- Mowed and weed eated plants and lift stations.
- Patched dig spots in 800 block of Herder alley and alley behind Cozy Theater and Kallus Street at Upton Avenue.
- Abandoned service in 1100 block of Pierce Street.
- Rodded service line at JA Green Street and St John Road.
- Helped Street Department mow downtown.
- Helped with City Wide Cleanup.

Street Department activities included:

- Picked up brush when citizens pay the \$25 for removal.

- Moved and hauled containers for City Wide Cleanup.
- Trimmed limbs off of roads and alleys.
- Mowed grass.
- Helped with City Wide Cleanup.

Electric Department activities included:

- Connects and disconnects.
- Changed out several meters. Read meters not logging in.
- Replaced a pole that came down when a high load came through on Highway 90.
- Replaced transformer that had caught fire and worked with Techline on the pole replacement that only fed the Fitness Center.
- Moved service from a rotten pole in 800 block of West Avenue.
- Worked on street lights and trimmed limbs off of services.
- Added a 220 plug by downtown restrooms for Paddy's trailer for the Sausage Fest.
- Helped with City Wide Cleanup.

Park Department activities included:

- Regular maintenance (mowing, weed eating, clean restrooms)
- Picked up animals and placed in dog pound when needed.
- Preparing for Opening Ceremonies for Little League, March 19th.
- Helped with City Wide Cleanup.

City Administrator Tami Blaschke-Walker reported on several items. They are as follows:

- March 9 Met with Lisa Meysembourg in reference to the upcoming election
- March 10 -11 Attended Public Funds Investment Seminar in Austin
- March 12-19 City Wide Cleanup – Need to consider some changes to Limb and Leaf Policy

Pool preparations and routine maintenance are being done.

Three employees are getting their pesticides license. One in each category so we are covered to spray weeds as well as mosquitoes.

We have two new hires in the Water Department, Travis Leinhart and Darren Redding.

On March 3rd, Don Brunson of Monogram Food Solutions turned down the TDA Grant and Loan. We will be working to final that all out.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gresser to adjourn the meeting at 7:48 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.