

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
DECEMBER 5, 2016**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, December 5, 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, Brenda Rehak, Arnold Stoever, Harvey Hercik and Larry Veselka. City Staff present were City Administrator, Tami Blaschke-Walker, Chief of Police, Troy Brenek, Derek Schwenke and Melissa Shepard.

Visitors included Lisa Mederos of the Schulenburg Sticker, Donald Berger and Rita Hercik.

Under Presentations By Citizens, Mayor Moellenberndt thanked all involved with the decorating, setting up and cooking of the meal for the annual Appreciation Dinner. He also thanked Alderman Hercik for the suggestion and handling of the can good donations for the Food Pantry.

Alderman Hercik thanked Mrs. Blaschke - Walker for helping the Electric Department get the large Christmas tree set up in the downtown parking lot; including going up in the bucket truck to straighten limbs.

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

- (a) The minutes from the regular meeting held on November 21, 2016 were presented for approval.
- (b) Current bills were presented for approval.

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

City Administrator, Tami Blaschke – Walker, has received a bid from AMCO Fence Company of Hallettsville to replace the fencing at the City Cemetery. \$21,000 has been budgeted for this project. There is also additional funding available through Perpetual Care, but unsure of that exact amount.

Alderman Stoever asked if City Crews could remove the old fencing to save about \$1,800 on this project. Mrs. Blaschke – Walker agreed.

Alderman Hercik would like to see the entire 806' of fencing on the south and east side replaced in this year's budget. Two gates will also be needed but are not included in the original bids. He also suggested that the archway be removed and rock columns be placed on either side of the driveways including a bronze inlay on the south side entrance stating the Schulenburg City Cemetery on one side and credit to the Wolters Family on the other.

Mrs. Blaschke – Walker will get bids on the rock columns.

Also there is a bid from AMCO Fence Company for two gates on either side of the gazebo in the downtown parking lot for \$550. Chief of Police, Troy Brenek may see a problem with these

gates allowing people to park behind the fencing during the Sausage Fest. That property is right of way for the railroad.

Alderman Hercik made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stoever to proceed with the City Cemetery fencing and gate project and the Railroad Park gate project, check into the easement of the Railroad Park and get bids on the rock columns at the City Cemetery. The motion passed unanimously.

Municipal Court Judge, Alana Wyatt, presented her monthly report. Council approved.

Chief of Police, Troy Brenek, presented his monthly report. He also updated Council on the investigation of the Apothecary burglary. It was a professional job with other cities also being burglarized that same night.

Alderman Hercik asked about the investigation into the person that hit the awning at Schulenburg Sticker. Chief stated that the cameras at City Hall do not reach that far down. They are also looking at some footage of private cameras at the corner of Highway 90 and 77.

Alderman Hercik also asked about the shooting range on Sundays. There have been some complaints about shooting during church services. Chief said that they were there a couple of weeks ago on a Sunday qualifying an officer from Hallettsville Police Department. Council asked that they discontinue shooting on Sundays.

Water Department activities included:

- Line locates, connects and disconnects. Meter change outs.
- Conference call with O'Malley Strand in reference to Well #10 rehab.
- Flushed dead end mains.
- Replaced broken curb stops at 1102 Summit and 1005 Paulus.
- Met with customer at old Shallar building in reference to installing RPZ valve.
- Insulated piping and cut off water for winter.
- Repaired toilet at downtown restrooms.
- Replaced cut off in ladies restroom at the Expo Center.
- Set two 1" water meters for Anytime Fitness, backfilled hole and hauled off spoil dirt.

Wastewater Department activities included:

- Hauled 3 loads of sludge from Babylon Plant and 1 load from Kallus Plant.
- Fixed the cleanout at 119 Simpson in the alley.
- Replaced rotor bearing at Kallus Street Plant.
- Helped Street Department pave.
- Helped Monogram with dewatering process.

Street / Garbage Department activities included:

- Picked up brush when citizens pay the \$25 for removal.
- Paved and finished West Avenue.
- Worked on Herder with potholes and low spots.
- Hauled off concrete from High Hill.
- Worked on drainage behind DPS Office.
- Trimmed limbs.

- Hauled and dumped roll offs.

Electric Department activities included:

- Connects and disconnects.
- Changed shooting star and Season Greetings light bulbs.
- Changed timer for the Christmas lights.
- Put up the Christmas tree in the Railroad Park.
- Set a meter loop pole and anchor for Harvey Besetsny out in St John.
- Set a meter loop and inline pole for Frank Tilicek at 604 Herder.
- Trimmed tree limbs.
- Fixed street lights.

Park Department activities included:

- Regular maintenance (mowing, weed eating, clean restrooms)
- Picked up animals and placed in dog pound when needed.
- Working on backstop on Field #2 at Sports Complex.

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

November 28 th	Was unable to attend Commissioners Court in reference to the county wide Hotel Tax but a concerned citizen, Brian Lux did attend to give his feedback.
November 29 th	Christmas lights are up and complete.
November 29-30	Attended Election Law Seminar with Alana Wyatt and Wanda Langhamer from SISD.
December 1 st	Contractors complete on West and North Drainage Project.
December 2 nd	City Crews shot oil and rock to complete the paving on the West and North Drainage Project. City Appreciation Dinner
December 7 th	Aflac representatives will be here to meet with employees to update their coverage.

Mrs. Blaschke – Walker extended our condolences to Chief Brenek and his family for the loss of his brother-in-law. She also extended a very Merry Christmas to Mayor and Council and will see you in an official setting next year. A friendly reminder that the next meeting will be on Tuesday, January 3, 2017.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Rehak to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.