# CITY OF SCHULENBURG SCHULENBURG, TX MARCH 6, 2017

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, March 6, 2017, 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, Darryl Moeller, Derek Schwenke and Melissa Shepard.

Visitors included Lisa Mederos of the Schulenburg Sticker, Frank Wick III, Billy Beiersdorfer, Phil Leaman, Otto Kocian, James Brossmann and Ivan Velasquez.

Under Presentations By Citizens, Alderman Hercik welcomed Ivan Velasquez home from Mexico where he is undergoing treatments.

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 February 20, 2017 and the special meeting held on February 21, 2017 were presented for approval.
- (b) Current bills were presented for approval.

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

Alderman Hercik made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stoever to change the regular Council Meeting scheduled for Monday, March 20, 2017 to Tuesday, March 21, 2017 at 7 p.m. in the Council Chambers. The motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Hercik made a motion, seconded by Alderman Gresser to table the setting of a workshop date to discuss Code Enforcement and Manufactured Housing, etc. The motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Veselka asked staff to look into possibly purchasing the Driscoll house located at 119 E. Summit Street to give us a wider entrance into the Sports Complex entering from Highway 90 (Summit Street). Mrs. Walker stated that the property is valued at \$10,500 with back taxes for the past 4 years at \$6,745.75 plus court costs.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Rehak to instruct the City Administrator to review our options of a fair price to offer Mr. Edward Driscoll for his property located at 119 E. Summit Street. The motion passed unanimously.

Municipal Court Judge, Alana Wyatt's report was presented. Council approved.

Chief of Police, Troy Brenek's report was presented. Council approved. He also reported on several items. They are as follows:

- Completed Leadership Command College with graduation held in Huntsville.
- Want to commend my staff for taking care of things while I was away.
- Richard Schneider did a great job preparing for the last meeting discussing the possible demolition of the Driscoll house.
- We have had several drug arrests and a disturbance in the 100 block of Simpson Street led to more drug possession arrests.

## Water Department activities included:

- Line locates, connects and disconnects. Meter change outs.
- Read meters.
- Began pressure washing at Swimming Pool.
- Mowed all Plants and Well Sites.
- Contacted Jack Pavlas with the City of Flatonia about capturing honey bees.
- Worked on communication problem at Main Pump House and the new tower.
- Flushed dead end mains.
- Collected monthly bacteriological samples.
- Met with Mercer Controls about ordering rotating assembly for north booster pump at Main Pump House.

#### Wastewater Department activities included:

- Hauled 7 loads of sludge from Babylon Plant.
- Mowed both Plants and Lift Stations.
- Sprayed weeds in downtown area.
- Jetted and vacuumed 1000' of sewer line on James Avenue (Baumgarten to Pierce).
- Leveled spoil dirt at the Boneyard.

#### Street / Garbage Department activities included:

- Picked up brush when citizens pay the \$25 for removal.
- Hauled containers to Creedmoor and Altair.
- Drove and rode on garbage truck.
- Patched street by DFA and several others around town.
- Installed tarp on dump truck.
- Swept streets.
- Mowed North Main and South Main.
- Met with Engineers about Pierce Street.
- Helped Electric Department hand wire in Clark's Mobile Home Park.

#### Electric Department activities included:

- Connects and disconnects. Meter change outs.
- Fixed street lights.
- Replaced three meter loop poles in the 111 E. Paulus Mobile Home Park.
- Fixed lights in the Police Department and VFW building.
- Ran conduit, pulled wire, wired plugs, switches and lights at the new building at Kallus Sewer Plant.
- Set meter loop pole at Clark's Mobile Home Park and ran new service from transformer to the new pole.
- Fixed leaning pole on Bruce Street.

Started digging for underground power at High Hill Church.

### Park Department activities included:

- Regular maintenance (mowing, weed eating, clean restrooms)
- Picked up animals and placed in dog pound when needed.
- Sprayed ant bait on all fields, etc.
- Preparing for Girls Tournament Thursday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> through Saturday, March 4<sup>th</sup>.
- The fence is complete at the City Cemetery.

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

February 24<sup>th</sup> Attended the Graduation Ceremony for Chief Brenek for his

leadership Command College in Huntsville.

February 24<sup>th</sup> Deadline for Candidate to withdraw was 5 p.m.

March 1<sup>st</sup> Met with O'Malley Strand to discuss Pierce Street and revisit the

proposed improvements.

March 1<sup>st</sup> Conducted drawing for Place on Ballot

March 18<sup>th</sup> First day of City Wide Cleanup

City Staff is asking for permission to purchase a trench packer machine that will be used by the Water, Wastewater, Street and possibly Electric Departments. A 2012 used model is \$8,500 from United Rentals. Council granted permission to purchase.

City Staff will also meet in Council Chambers to view videos on loan from Texas Municipal League for Safety Meetings.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stoever to adjourn the meeting at 7:42 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.