

**CITY OF SCHULENBURG
SCHULENBURG, TX
JUNE 19, 2017**

The City Council of the City of Schulenburg met in regular session on Monday, June 19, 2017, at the Council Chambers located at 607 Upton Avenue, Schulenburg, Texas, at 7:00 P.M. The elected officials present included Mayor Otto Kocian, Aldermen Chip Bubela, Wendy Fietsam, Arnold Stoeber, Harvey Hercik and Larry Veselka. City Staff present were City Administrator, Tami Blaschke-Walker, Derek Schwenke, Richard Schneider, Darryl Moeller, David Osina and Megan Bartos.

Visitors included Lisa Mederos of the Schulenburg Sticker, James Brossmann, Donald Berger, Lisa Meysembourg, Marcia Hrcir, Randy, Jeannie and Allison Mican, Matt & Keegan Hudec, Jeanette Vaculik, Dennis Lebeda and John Cardenas.

Under Presentations By Citizens, James Brossmann suggested that the pool purchase a lighting meter for the pool workers.

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

- (a) City Council will consider and take action on the minutes from the regular meeting held on June 5, 2017.
- (b) City Council will consider and take action on the payment of current bills.
- (c) City Council will consider and take action on the Planning and Zoning Commission's variance request submitted by SISD to construct a Career and Technical Education facility.

Alderman Hercik removed item C from the Consent Agenda items and wanted to vote on it separately.

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

Dennis Venghaus, Chairman of the Planning and Zoning Commission, briefed the council on the variance that was requested by SISD.

Council agreed that since the adjacent property is also owned by the school, the variance will be ok.

Alderman Hercik made a motion, seconded by Alderman Veselka to grant the variance request submitted by the SISD to construct a Career and Technical Education facility. The motion passed unanimously.

City Administrator, Tami Walker, commented that based on a mistake by legal counsel, the City Council should have been able to act upon agenda item six at the previous meeting. Her recommendation would be to approve it.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hercik to approve the Planning and Zoning Commission application to consider the subdivision plat of .401 acres into two lots as requested by Rodney Gresser and Tim & Renee Zeller to be known as 107 Upton and 102 Keuper. The motion passed unanimously.

Randy Mican spoke on behalf of the Meadow Creek Subdivision residents. His recommendation would be to keep the entrance because it makes a nice first impression into the subdivision. He did a little research and thinks a nice sign with foliage around the bottom would be a good replacement to the tree that was cut down. The residents would do the maintenance and upkeep of whatever would be placed there. He also suggested lighting the sign.

Aldermen Fietsam questioned the residents that were present about a Homeowners Association (HOA). Jeannie Mican noted that around various seasons, she will send out letters to the residents to help her spruce up the neighborhood, but there is currently not an active HOA.

Mayor Kocian mentioned that no one has a stump grinder that can go over the wall. One possibility would be to remove part of the wall to get to the stump.

Randy Mican thinks that cutting the stump at the base would be efficient enough. A new layer of topsoil would need to be added. The residents are all in agreement that the wall should stay there no matter what is decided to be put in its place. It slows down traffic and presents itself as a neighborhood.

Alderman Hercik is in agreement with shrubbery/foliage and does not think a tree should be put back in its place.

Alderman Bubela noted that Meadow Creek is one of the nicest neighborhoods that Schulenburg has and a sign would be nice. However, he suggested that the residents of the subdivision split the cost of the sign.

No action was taken on the replacement of the tree at the Meadow Creek Subdivision.

Alderman Fietsam made a motion, seconded by Alderman Bubela to accept the SCT Broadband Agreement and Pole Contact. The motion passed unanimously.

Mrs. Walker noted she will be on vacation June 26th through July 3rd. There would not be proper preparation or posting of the agenda since she would be out. She suggested that one or both of the July meetings be moved.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stoever to change the July 3rd meeting to July 10th and the July 17th meeting would remain the same. The motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Hercik made a motion, seconded by Alderman Stoever to accept the 2017 Mayoral Appointments. The motion passed unanimously.

Water Department activities included:

- Line locates, connects and disconnects. Meter change outs. Read meters.
- Replaced aerator fan blade, motor and screen at Water Plant #2.

- Reinstalled level indicator float ball and on/off probes in Ground Storage Tank at Henderson Hill and Water Plant.
- DN Tanks finished work on Ground Storage Tank at Henderson Hill and chlorinated interior of tank for disinfection purposes. Then we began filling tank for sampling.
- Met with Aqua Lab for bacteriological sampling on Ground Storage Tank at Henderson Hill and Water Plant #2.
- Got air packs tested for Water and Wastewater Plants.
- Collected monthly bacteriological samples for TCEQ.
- Attended final Source Water Assessment Protection (SWAP) Meeting at La Grange Fire Station.
- Mowed and weed eaten Public Pool yard and ran vacuum cleaner in pool.
- Covered valve risers for Street Department Paving Project.
- Changed chlorine cylinders at Water Plants.

Wastewater Department activities included:

- Hauled 3 loads of sludge from Babylon Plant.
- Mowed both Plants and Lift Stations.
- Began working on Black Street Rehab Project. Set manhole at Black & Upton.
- Painted Kallus buildings, Dog Pound, Wrights Park Lift Station, trim at Wolters Park Lift Station.

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 potholes.
- Completed the paving of Pierce Street.
- Seal coated and patched: North Main, James Avenue, South Street
- Cut and removed tree from entrance of Meadow Creek Subdivision.
- Fixed Black Street behind Contech.
- Helped County pave.
- Fixed backhoe.

Electric Department activities included:

- Line locates, connects and disconnects. Meter change outs.
- Removed old lights at Kallus Sewer Plant and replaced with LED lighting.
- Trimmed tree limbs.
- Repaired street lights.
- Hung transformer and a cutout for 610 South Street.
- Helped with the removal of tree at entrance of Meadow Creek Subdivision.
- Added some barricades around a pad mount transformer to keep kids from climbing on it at Field #5 during the All Star Tournament.
- Straightened a leaning pole out on Highway 77 in front of 2234 N US Hwy 77.
- Replaced old reclosers on the line that goes out toward Oakland Road.
- Replaced service that was bad going to 902 Lyons.
- Moved a service from an old meter loop to a new meter loop at 809 Paulus.
- Replaced post and hung gate for our right of way under our power line on Hunt property in St. John.

- Tightened up some low service at 106 S Main and at 1028 FM 1579.
- Fixed a service wire across Highway 90 that a high load tore down.

Park Department activities included:

- Regular maintenance (mowing, weed eating, clean restrooms)
- Picked up animals and placed in dog pound when needed.
- Little League All Star Tournament is complete.
- Preparing for KC's State Tournament on Saturday, June 24th.
- Fixed two water leaks at Sports Complex.

City Administrator, Tami Blaschke-Walker, reported the following:

June 7th	Tree removal at Meadow Creek Subdivision SCT Broadband and City finalized agreement - ready for council approval
June 7, 8 & 9	Council members coming in to sign bank cards
June 12th	Met with David Osina and the Mayor to discuss Black Street. Met with Darryl Moeller to discuss the paving that was scheduled.
June 13th	Paving Pierce Street, James Ave and remainder of North Main. Met with Elgin Kristinik and Andy Bosl with Alderman Hercik and Mayor Kocian.
June 14th	Met with representatives from Schneider Engineering & Derek Schwenke to discuss potential projects and system audit. Met with Alderman Bubela and Mayor to discuss infrastructure and outstanding projects. Met with water, wastewater and street departments to outline the Black Street job and keep progress going.
June 15th	Little League Boys All Star Tournament
June 16th	Follow up meeting with Elgin Kristinik and Andy Bosl with Alderman Hercik and Mayor Kocian
June 17th	Schulenburg Shark Swim Team attended their final meet

Mayor Kocian noted that a resident thanked him for the public service announcement when the tree removal was going on in the Meadow Creek Subdivision. He also appreciated David Osina hand delivering letters to the residents that will be affected by the Black Street project. The communication has been great.

Mrs. Walker asked Council not to go into executive session as listed on the agenda.

Alderman Veselka made a motion, seconded by Alderman Hercik to adjourn the meeting at 7:41 p.m. The motion passed unanimously.