



Minutes
Flatonia City Council
Regular Meeting
March 12, 2024, at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Mayor
Mayor Pro Tem
Councilmembers

Dennis Geesaman
Joanye Eversole
Ginny Sears
Allen Kocian
Donna Cockrell
Sonya Bishop
Jacqueline Ott
Lee Dick
Jack Pavlas
Chris Swenning

Absent:

Councilmember Travis Seale

City Manager

City Secretary

Police Chief

Utility Director

Fire Chief

Opening Agenda

Call to Order

Mayor Geesaman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation & Pledge

Mayor Geesaman led the invocation and pledges.

Reports

Police Chief

February Report

Chief Dick provided an explanation of the TECC-LEO training. Mayor Pro Tem Eversole confirmed Officer Thomas is on solo patrol.

Utility Director

February Report

Utility Director Pavlas confirmed the utility work at the Arnim & Lane building. The tree lighting project in Central Park is complete. Some water pipework was completed at the water treatment plant in preparation for the grant-funded generator project. There is no update on the completion of sidewalks by TxDOT. Utility Director Pavlas is also working on getting TxDOT to pick up the abandoned concrete next to NAPA Auto Parts.

Code Enforcement

February Report

City Manager

February Report

The American Legion lease has been updated again. They have a meeting on Thursday, March 14, and should have an answer. The audit is complete, and the accounting firm will present the findings at the next regular City Council meeting. Permits Clerk Schaffner is training in floodplain management.

Fire Chief

February Report

Flatonia Fire and Rescue will host a TEEEX class on emergency management in June, which City Manager Bishop will attend.

Consent Agenda

- C1.** Mayor Pro Tem Eversole motioned to approve the February 13, 2024, meeting minutes. Councilman Kocian seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- C2.** Mayor Pro Tem Eversole motioned to approve the financial statements for February 2024. Councilman Kocian seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.


Deliberation Agenda

- DA3.1.2024.1** Mayor Pro Tem Eversole motioned to approve Ordinance 2024.3.1, an ordinance amending the fees for the City swimming pool. Councilwoman Sears seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- DA3.1.2024.2** Councilwoman Sears motioned to approve amending Resolution 2022.7.3, a resolution approving certificate pay for the City of Flatonia employees. Mayor Pro Tem Eversole seconded the motion. The changes made were in the City Manager, Floodplain, and High Education sections. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- DA3.1.2024.3** Councilwoman Sears motioned to approve Resolution 2024.3.1, an agreement to conduct joint elections between Flatonia Independent School District and the City of Flatonia. Councilman Kocian seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- DA3.1.2024.4** Mayor Pro Tem Eversole motioned to approve the official job descriptions of Utility Clerk, Groundskeeper, and Maintenance Worker. Councilwoman Sears seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- DA3.1.2024.5** Mayor Pro Tem Eversole motioned to approve Resolution 2024.3.2 updating the Personnel Policy for the City of Flatonia employees with revisions as discussed. Councilwoman Cockrell seconded the motion. City Secretary Ott will add clarifying statements in the policy manual to indicate that she is Human Resources. Police Chief Dick is working on a separate policy for the Police Department that is specific to law enforcement. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.
- DA3.1.2024.6** Mayor Pro Tem Eversole motioned to approve the purchase of an iPad Pro (third generation) for \$450 for business use. Councilwoman Cockrell seconded the motion. City Manager Bishop clarified the purchase is from City Secretary Ott, who has been using her personal iPad for work. The device had a factory reset to remove all personal information and was loaded with the City Secretary's Apple ID. The device will be City property and will remain if she leaves. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment


Mayor Pro Tem Eversole motioned to end the meeting. Councilwoman Cockrell seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Geesaman adjourned the meeting at 6:30 p.m.

Signed


Dennis Geesaman
Mayor



Attest


Jacqueline Ott
City Secretary