

Regular City Council Meeting
Idalou City Council
May 8th, 2023

Building and Standards Public Hearing:

BS-22-012-001

Legal Description Org T Idalou BLK 5 L 21 \$ S2' of 22 Property Address: 103 Main St, Idalou, Texas 79329

A motion was made by Joe Sisk and seconded by Kyle DuBois to demolish property. Motion passed.

BS -22-012-002: Legal Description: Embry L 4 Property Address: 405 6th St, Idalou, Texas 79329: A motion was made by Brendi Pierce and seconded by Darrell Fuller to demolish property.

Public Comments: None.

The regular meeting of the Idalou City Council was called to order by Mayor Russ Perkins. Those in attendance were Mayor Russ Perkins, Darrell Fuller, Brendi Pierce, Joe Sisk, Kyle DuBois and Albert Bravo. Staff in attendance, were City Administrator Suzette Williams, Public Works Director Oscar Rodriguez, Police Chief Eric Williams, and Chris Ekrut with New Gen, citizen George Brown was also in attendance. Allen Phillips with Jacob and Martin was in attendance as well.

Approve April Regular and Special Minutes as presented: A motion was made by Kyle DuBois and seconded by Joe Sisk to approve April Special and Regular Minutes. Motion passed.

Approve April Bills as Presented: A motion was made by Brendi Pierce and seconded by Albert Bravo to approve bills. Motion passed.

Public works Report for April: April usage was 10,892,000 and max use on 04/22/23 at 487,000. Hydrant flushing has begun and Oscar has implemented a rotation for this flushing. Pavement restoration will begin to the street project.

Police Monthly Report for April: Chief informed the Council Christy McAdoo (Idalou EMS) started SPAG Academy on April 6th. The Department is awaiting notification from the Governor's Office for funding of the Criminal Justice Grant for a new patrol unit. The unit being sought after is a 2023 Ford Interceptor Utility.

Present Financial Report: Suzette presented the Monthly Financial Report.

Discuss and Consider Conditional Use Permit Request Legal Description: ORIG T IDALOU BLK 3 L 11 & 12, Physical Address: 109 Locust, to allow for an accessory Building without a Residential Dwelling: After discussion a motion was made by Albert Bravo and seconded by Darrell Fuller to not allow the conditional use permit. Motion passed.

Presentation by NewGen Strategies & Solutions, LLC, City of Idalou Water and Wastewater Rate Study: Suzette informed the Council to prepare for future infrastructure improvement and growth, we must look at our current rate structure. The current rate structure has been in place for approximately 10 years with minimum changes. From the cost of staff to material, the cost to run operations has increased.

NewGen Strategies and Solutions has prepared the Water/Wastewater Study and new rate Structure. Between this current fiscal year and next year, the city will see a dramatic increase in the base rate; approximately 17%. Year 1 substantial increase is due to the addition of new debt (Water treatment plant and water tower). Sequential years will be an increase with a maximum of 3% increase; with numbers as presented. These numbers will fluctuate based on the amount of the City's debt.

Update by Jacob/Martin Engineering: Allen Phillips with Jacob Martin provided an update on current Idalou Projects including the USDA application.

Discuss and Consider Resolution 23-05-01, Authorizing the Submission of an Application for Federal Financial Assistance with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service: After some discussion a motion was made by Joe Sisk and seconded by Albert Bravo to authorize submission of an application for Federal Financial Assistance with the U.S. Department of Agriculture, Rural Development, Rural Utilities Service. Motion Passed.

Discuss and Consider Approving Security System: A motion was made by Darrell Fuller and seconded by Kyle DuBois to table and revisit this item. Motion passed.

Discuss and Consider Authorizing the Submission: Request for Qualifications (RFQ) to select a Broker/Agent for Group Health, Dental and Vision Insurance and certain other employee benefits: A motion was made by Brendi Pierce and seconded by Albert Bravo to allow the RFQ for Insurance. Motion passed.

Discuss and Consider Approving Summer 2023 Hours: A motion was made by Joe Sisk and seconded by Kyle DuBois to approve summer hours for summer 2023.

Update on Water Meter Pricing: Suzette updated the Council on Water meter pricing.

Budget Calendar presentation: Suzette presented the Council with the budget Calendar.

Request by Mayor for Agenda Items for the Next Council Meeting: None at this time.

A motion by Joe Sisk and seconded by Brendi Pierce to adjourn. Motion passed.



Mayor William R. Perkins