

Regular City Council Meeting
Idalou City Council
November 21, 2022

The regular meeting of the Idalou City Council was called to order by Mayor Russ Perkins. Those in attendance were Mayor Russ Perkins, Joe Sisk, Albert Bravo, Kyle DuBois and Darrell Fuller. Staff in attendance, were City Administrator Suzette Williams, Public Works Director Oscar Rodriguez, Police Chief Eric Williams, and City Secretary Renee Wilbanks. Also in attendance was Allen Phillips with Jacob and Martin, and Chris Ekrut with New Gen Strategies and Solution, LLC.

Public Comments: None.

Approve October Regular as presented: A motion was made by Joe Sisk and seconded by Darrell Fuller to approve October Regular Minutes. Motion passed.

Approve Public Hearing Minutes as presented: A motion was made by Darrell Fuller and seconded by Joe Sisk to approve Public Hearing Minutes Rezone of 601 Chestnut, Legal Description: ROSS BLK 9 L 16 & N/2 OF 15, from R-1 Single Residential Dwelling to R-2 Apartment & Duplex, Motion passed.

Approve October Bills as Presented: A motion was made by Joe Sisk and seconded by Albert Bravo to approve bills. Motion passed.

Public works Report: October Usage was 9,269,000 with an average 299,000 daily. The max water usage being on 10/05/2022 at 384,000.

Police Monthly Report: Officer Torres will be released and assigned to Night Shift on Nov. 20th. The department continues training the Black Belt Peace Officer Program. They will also be conducting rifle/pistol training on November 16th. Officer Torres will be attending training for Family Violence and Sexual Assault Investigations in Lubbock November 30-Dec. 2nd.

Financial Report: Suzette presented the Financial Report.

Discuss and Consider Awarding Bids for Supervisory Control and Data Acquisition: After discussion a motion was made by Joe Sisk and seconded by Darrell Fuller to approve the recommendation of the SCADA committee and award the contract to Brakke Electric to include requested additive alternate items with the exception of water well level monitoring; cost of the contract is \$281,740.35. Motion passed.

Discuss City Wide Water Meter Replacement: In 2009/2010 the City of Idalou purchased an Advanced Metering Infrastructure system through Badger Meter. It used 3G Technology and unfortunately that is no longer in place. It will officially be phased out by the end of the year. Members of the Council discussed meters with Jason Shriver of Fortiline Waterworks at the TML Conference. The cost of the meters with installation is approximately \$510,000. There was discussion about the process of replacing meters and cost of the project.

Discuss and Consider Contract with NewGen Strategies & Solution, LLC, to Review Utility Rates: Chris Ekrut, CFO on NewGen Strategies, was in attendance to discuss a contract with NewGen Strategies & Solution. Chris discussed the services that the company offers to utility systems to ensure that the proper rate structure is in place and the charges are justifiable. After discussion a motion was made by Kyle DuBois and seconded by Joe Sisk to enter into a contract with NewGen Strategies & Solution, LLC, in the amount not to exceed \$15,000.00. Motion passed.

Discuss and Consider Entering into Interlocal Agreement for 2023/2024 DRP Application Development with South Plains Association of Governments (SPAG), Project Location: North Main St.: A motion was made by Darrell Fuller and seconded by Albert Bravo to enter into Interlocal Agreement for 2023/2024 DRP Application Development with South Plains Association of Governments. Motion passed.

Discuss and Consider Selecting Engineering Firm for CDBG Application: Project Location: W 4th from Walnut to Fir Street: After discussion a motion was made by Joe Sisk and seconded by Kyle DuBois to select Jacob Martin for the CDBG Application. Motion passed.

Discuss and Consider Allowing Cotton Fest to Host Hayrides on December 10, 2022: A motion was made by Joe Sisk and seconded by Albert Bravo to allow Cotton Fest to host hayrides during Light Up Idalou. Motion passed.

Discuss and Consider Temporary Street Closure on December 10, 2022, Walnut Street from 8th Street to 10th Street: A motion was made by Kyle DuBois and seconded by Darrell Fuller to allow Street Closure on Dec. 10th, 2022 for Light of Idalou. Motion passed.

Discuss and Consider the Rezone Case of 601 Chestnut, Legal Description: ROSS BLK 9 L 16 & N/2 of 15, from R-1 Single Residential Dwelling to R-2 Apartment & Duplex: A motion by Joe Sisk and seconded by Kyle DuBois to rezone 601 Chestnut from R-1 Single Residential Dwelling to R-2 Apartment & Duplex. Motion passed.

Discuss and Consider Amending the 2022-2023 City of Idalou Holiday Schedule: A motion by Albert Bravo and seconded by Kyle DuBois to give the City of Idalou Employees President's Day. Motion passed.

Discuss and Consider Submitting Request for Qualification for City Engineer: A motion was made by Joe Sisk and seconded by Albert Bravo to submit request for Qualification for City Engineer. Motion Passed.

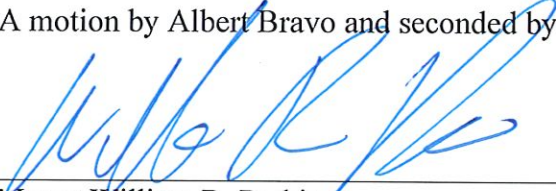
Discuss and Consider Authorizing Purchase of Fire Hydrants: Currently there are 16 hydrants that need to be replaced. Suzette is requesting the Council approve to purchase 13 hydrants. Certain hydrants will be removed from the system and no longer in that location. After discussion a motion was made by Joe Sisk and seconded by Albert Bravo to approve the purchase of 13 fire Hydrants. Motion passed.

Discuss and Consider Ordinance 22-11-01 Texas Regulation Off-Highway Vehicles, All-Terrain Vehicles, Recreational Off-Highway Vehicles, Utility Vehicles, Motorized Bikes Electric Bikes, and Pocket Bikes within the Limits of the City of Idalou. A motion by Joe Sisk and seconded by Albert Bravo to postpone the vote. Motion passed.

Discuss and Consider Amending Ordinance 24-1, Establishment of the Court: Judge Jan Matthew reviewed the Court Ordinances and realized that the order of the Idalou Court did not have the correct fine amount among other small details. A motion by Joe Sisk and seconded by Albert Bravo to Amend Ordinance 24-1. Motion passed.

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

A motion by Albert Bravo and seconded by Joe Sisk to adjourn. Motion passed.



Mayor William R. Perkins