

CITY OF THROCKMORTON
MEETING MINUTES
FEBRUARY 14, 2017

1. Mayor Will Carroll called City Council meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with Council members Judy Jackson, Brad Bellah, and Corey Keeter are present, Geneva Rodgers is absent. Melanie Gober-City Secretary, Kim Bundy-Asst. City Secretary, Rob Rankin-TVFD, Joe Moore-TVFD, Bobby Thompson-TVFD, Rob Rankin-TVFD, and Sheriff-James Wigington were also present. Invocation was given by Mayor Carroll.
2. The Council reviewed the minutes from the January 10, 2017 meeting.
Motion to approve the minutes made by-----Corey Keeter
Second by-----Brad Bellah
All council members in favor, Motion carried 3-0.
3. The replacement to fill the vacant position for Council member Place 1 was discussed.
Motion to appoint Ricky Escalon to fill the unexpired term was made by-----Judy Jackson
Second by-----Brad Bellah
All council members in favor, Motion carried 3-0.
4. There was no one present for Citizens participation. During this time Mayor Carroll informed the council of the following:
Mike Jones, Ross McKnight's pilot and Mayor Carroll will be attending a meeting in Austin with the TX DOT Aviation Committee on March 1, 2017 to discuss getting back on the aviation program so that we will be eligible for grants other than the RAMP Grants and put us in a position to be eligible to be put on the capitol program and completely re-do our airport. There will also be a public hearing the morning of March 1st that will be interesting to sit in on.
The sewer was repaired down by Jim Whitfield's garage. There was a large hole dug, approximately 9 feet deep, to access the 8" sewer main. The sewer line had actually collapsed in on itself and was completely blocking the line. A tool was purchased to cut the ceramic line and it was repaired.

Ricky Escalon arrived and was sworn in by Mayor Carroll.

2300 Crappie have been ordered from Dunn's Fish Farm and will be delivered soon. The Texas Parks and Wildlife department will be contacted so that they can be here when they are released. This will complete the first phase of the re-stocking program for the City Lake.
The paper work to apply for the TxCDBG has been completed and the application has been sent in. The grant is for \$275,000.00. TCEQ has issued new guidelines for our Sewer Plant. We can no longer release effluent into the creek as we have been doing. We will change to an irrigation type system and if received, the grant will be used for the transformation.
TCEQ Air Quality Division received several complaints regarding burning at the Convenience Station. They were here investigating, and we received a violation for unauthorized burning. In the future there will be a request to burn sent into TCEQ and a permit will be received before any burning is done. New rules have been established and posted at the Convenience Station and on the Cities web site, as well as training of all employees that are involved with the operations of the Convenience Station.
The City contacted McClure Transport and they have hauled two loads of tires to a permitted facility and there is another full load that will be taken ASAP. The cost to the City will be approximately \$9000.00 after the last load is taken.
The backboard for the basketball goal at the City Park was broken and is being replaced.
5. Old Business:
Members of the TVFD were present to discuss repairs to the Fire Hall. The condition of the Fire Hall was discussed; Brad Bellah has been in contact with persons willing to replace/repair the windows and still has several more to talk to. The fire department reported that community service workers were used to clean the fire hall and will be used in the future. The fire department members are willing to assist the city with necessary repairs and possibly make the space on the upstairs west available for sleeping quarters when

the Forest Service needs it. The restroom will need some repairs also. They said this will help them get fire department grants in the future. He will continue his efforts and report more at the next meeting.

Judy Jackson reported that she is working on a USDA Community Program Grant that will help pay for the cost of repairs to the Fire Hall. She is also communicating with Todd Powell from Abilene, who is with USDA regarding the grant. He encourages us to get everything turned soon before the money designated for this particular grant is used up. The required information will be collected, the paper work will be completed, and turned in to them ASAP.

6. **ORDINANCE NO. 2017-01, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THROCKMORTON ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 6TH, 2017 FOR THE PURPOSE OF VOTING FOR MAYOR, COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE 1, AND COUNCIL MEMBER PLACE 2** was discussed.

Motion to approve ORDINANCE NO. 2017-01 was made by _____ Judy Jackson

Second by _____ Corey Keeter

All council members in favor, Motion carried 4-0

7. **ORDINANCE NO. 2017-02, AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF THROCKMORTON REQUIRING DOOR-TO-DOOR SOLICITORS TO OBTAIN A PERMIT FROM THE CITY OF THROCKMORTON, THROCKMORTON TEXAS** was discussed.

Motion to approve ORDINANCE NO. 2017-02 _____ Corey Keeter

Second by _____ Brad Bellah

All council members in favor, Motion carried 4-0

8. There was no action taken on sponsoring the TMCN Youth Scholarship Program at this time.

9. Sheriff Wigington was present and presented the safety concerns he had regarding making College Street from the Lazy T Lodge going west to the four way stop on Pettitt Street a **ONE WAY** street during the hours of 7:30am-8:30am and 2pm-4pm when school is in session. The process of making this section of street one way is going to take some time and the public needs to be well informed. It is possible this will not go into affect until the beginning of next school year depending on the progress of the project. There will be a yellow stripe separating the street into lanes which allow the lane closer to the school as drop off only and the far left lane as trough traffic. The school will also present information to the students and parents to prepare for the transition. There was also discussion to create more parking across from the school for parents of elementary students who wanted to walk their children to class.

Motion to make College St. as noted above a ONE WAY street was made by _____ Brad Bellah

Second by _____ Ricky Escalon

All council members in favor, Motion carried 4-0

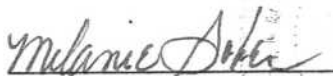
10. Mayor Carroll gave the Investment Officers report. He reported that all loans that the City had incurred have been paid, there are no more loans owed by the City. The city had collected 76% of taxes that were due by the end of January. This month's bills/budget were reviewed and discussed by the Council.

Motion to pay the bills was made by _____ Judy Jackson

Second by _____ Brad Bellah

All council members in favor, Motion carried 4-0.

9. Motion was made by Ricky Escalon to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.



Melanie Gober, City Secretary



Will Carroll, Mayor