

**CITY OF THROCKMORTON
MEETING MINUTES
May 11th, 2021**

1. Mayor Will Carroll called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with council members Judy Jackson, Ricky Escalon, Susie Oliver, and Cathey Lee present. Present also were, Angie Scarlett- City Secretary, Kim Bundy-Asst. City Secretary, Cameron Gulley-CPA and Sherriff Wigington. Invocation was given by Mayor Carroll.
2. ***Council Members approved the minutes from the April 13th, 2021 Regular Meeting.***
Motion to approve the minutes was made by-----Cathey Lee
Second by-----Judy Jackson
All Council Members in favor. Motion carried 4-0
3. ***Statement of Elected Officer and the Oath of Office*** was administered to re-elected council members duly elected for the purposes of the May 1, 2021 General Election, pursuant to ORDINANCE 2021-03 issued on March 9th, 2021 cancelling the election that was scheduled to be held on May 1, 2021. Angie Scarlett-City Secretary administered the Oath of Office to Will Carroll- Mayor. Mayor Carroll administered the Oath of Office to Ricky Escalon-Place 1, and Susie Oliver-Place 2.
4. ***Cameron Gulley – Present City’s 2019-2020 Audit***

Cameron Gulley, CPA, presented the City of Throckmorton’s 2019-2020 Annual Financial Report. After going through some of the financial reports of the audit, Mr. Gulley reported that there were some discrepancies in the payments that were deposited to the city from the tax office. These were findings that were also found from more entities in the county that Cameron does audits for. In finding these discrepancies, Cameron called the tax office and discussed the issue of the underpaying of the tax allocations. The tax office looked into the payments and did cut the city a check back in December for the amount that was not deposited. Cameron added that he did not understand why the correct amounts of tax money distributions are not being allocated correctly but it’s not the first time that this has happened and for the council to just be aware of it. There was discussion from the council and Cameron on some things we can do to possibly keep this from happening. Cameron noted that this is not the cities’ fault but the tax office. They need to do a better job at balancing the monies they receive and be able to zero out their books in what they collect into what is distributed out to the entities.

City’s audit disclosed all other financials to be in compliance according to what is required to be reported in accordance with generally accepted Government Auditing Standards.
5. ***Discuss and Possible Action – Reverting easement and ownership to Ken Koonsman. Alley located east of the convenient station.***

No action was taken on this line item. There was not enough information that we could find that we have any kind of authority or operational control over the easement in question. The mayor told Mr. Koonsman if he can find more conclusive proof that the city has any ties with this strip of land, he is more than welcome to provide that to us and then we can go from there.
6. ***Citizens Participation***

Sherriff Wigington talked to the council about Ron Scroggin, from Enel Energy (Trade Wind Energy). Mr. Scroggin was present at the last commissioners meeting and gave information on what his company offers to the counties they work in. They give donated monies to entities if they will just make a list and submit to him. Some of the items that have been donated in the past have been school buses, ambulances and other large equipment. They basically want each entity to make a list of needed items in order of priority. They recently gave a large donation to the Hannah Green family. The city will work on the list for Mr. Scroggin.

Mayor Carroll informed the council that the city has officially filed for the Downtown Grant. Preliminaries will possibly start in July. We’ve not heard much on the other grant that is for replacing and repairing water plant and lines. The pool was discussed and six lifeguards have been hired and will be going to get their certification later in the month. Pool repairs have begun with pumps having to be replaced.

Ricky Escalon requested that the council take nominations for the vacant council position at the next council meeting.
Street repair will begin as soon as it warms up and dries up. Many holes on all streets need attending to and we are hoping around first of June, we will start working on them.

7. *Review and Pay Bills/Financial Report*

This month's bills were reviewed and discussed by the Council. Mayor Carroll went over the financial report with the council.

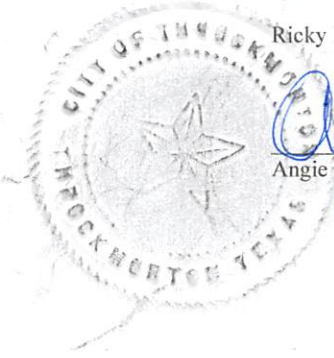
Motion to pay the bills was made by-----Susie Oliver

Second by-----Cathey Lee

All Council Members in favor. Motion carried 4 - 0.

8. *Adjournment*

Ricky Escalon made a motion to adjourn. Motion carried 4 - 0.




Angie Scarlett, City Secretary


Will Carroll, Mayor