CITY OF THROCKMORTON MEETING MINUTES MONDAY, NOVEBER 7th, 2022

 Mayor Will Carroll called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with four council members present: Susie Oliver, Ricky Escalon, Lester Moses, and Judy Jackson. Council member Cathey Lee was absent. Also present was Jimmy Collins, Public Works Director, Angie Scarlett, City Secretary, and Kim Bundy, Assistant Secretary. Invocation was given by Mayor Carroll.

Council Members approved the minutes from the October 11th, 2022, Regular Meeting.

3. Citizens Participation-

Mayor Carroll informed the council that we received instructions for the wiring of money for the Windstream fiber project and that follow-ups with school and county have been initiated. The contract has been finalized and signed so now just waiting for everyone to wire money and get things rolling. A video conference call will be initiated first part of December.

Mayor Carroll discussed activity with Code Enforcement and city. Several inspections have resulted in upset people, but most have all complied. Some properties have been neglected for years and come to find out, the letters were being sent to wrong addresses. Miscommunication and just people not taking care of their property. Texas Community Group has an app if anyone would like to download on their own phone and take pictures of any property in town and send directly to them for inspection. So far this has been positive and successful.

Radios from Albany Communications are in for Emergency Management. These radios have been installed in each work truck with the base radio at city hall. Also included are two handhelds. We are now set up for better communication in any type of emergency.

Mayor Carroll asked the council if an incentive pay could be offered to all employees as it has been done each year. It was a consensus by the council to give full-time employees \$1,000.00 and part-time employees \$500.00.

Council member Susie Oliver had a question about the water bills that she recently noticed where it states there will be an administrative fee of \$50.00 if not paid by the 21st of the following month. Assistant Secretary, Kim Bundy explained that this is a fee for the ones that don't pay and that it is usually the same one of two people each month. Susie asked whose decision would this be. Mayor Carroll replied that it is stated in the ordinance that the council decided on years ago. There was more discussion with council on this matter. Susie asked if instead of stating this as an "administrative fee", could we change it to "re-connect fee" and that would be a better explanation. Everyone agreed this would be a good change. Mayor Carroll noted that we would make a notation to change the wording from "administration" fee to "reconnect fee" and no amendments would be necessary to the ordinance.

4. Public Works Director Report-

Jimmy Collins reported the guys have been cleaning up at the chlorine dioxide building out by the lake and at the water plant. Scada system is still in progress and patiently waiting for this to be complete. Everything else is going well.

5. Pay Bills/Financial Report - Mayor Carroll

The mayor went over the financials discussing the AdValorem monies and revenue we have in Economic Development Fund. Mayor Carroll added that hopefully by spring we can either get a company to come in or possibly ask county to help redo some of the roads that are in bad shape.

 Adjourn - Judy Jackson made the motion to adjourn. Motion carried 4-0.

Angie Scarlett, City Secretary

Will Carroll, Mayor