

CITY OF THROCKMORTON  
MEETING MINUTES  
MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 11<sup>TH</sup>, 2023

1. Mayor Will Carroll called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with all five council members present. Brandon Chandler, Ricky Escalon, Lester Moses, Judy Jackson, and Cathey Lee. Also present was Angie Scarlett, City Secretary, Kim Bundy, Assistant Secretary, and Jimmy Collins, Public Works Director. The invocation was given by Will Carroll.
  
2. ***Approve Minutes from August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2023, regular meeting.***  
The motion was made by-----Cathey Lee  
to accept the minutes as presented.  
Second by-----Ricky Escalon  
Motion carried, 5-0.
  
3. ***Citizens Participation-*** Jimmy Collins, Public Works Director, reported that water leaks around town have been keeping them pretty busy. There was a fire at the sewer plant that burned up power lines and poles but has since been repaired and up and running again. A different crew has taken over the Skada system project so they are hoping they will get things up and running for us soon. The lake is almost down 8 feet where we would jump into stage 2 of our Contingency Plan, but we are right above that and have a great change of rain this week, so we are staying at stage one for the moment. The concrete crew working on sidewalks had a truck turn over at the water plant and tore down a fence. Casey Wells is getting us a quote on repairing the fence, but the contractors will pay for the damage.  
Mayor Carroll reported on the ongoing maintenance at the city pool. The sidewalk project is in full force and going well. Some discussion on how the sidewalk project is going. Street repairs that Raydon will be doing for the city have been pushed back a month. With the rain it could possibly be another month and a half before they get to us instead of September. Mayor Carroll discussed the ribbon cutting of the fiber project with Windstream representatives on the courthouse lawn last Thursday. They are having problems getting supplies that are needed and also with communication with town citizens on scheduling. Mayor Carroll visited with Mike Hunsucker on these concerns, and he is working on getting these things corrected.
  
4. ***Discuss/Vote on Request from Throckmorton Collegiate Independent School District permission to obtain scrap metal from City/County Convenience Station using the materials for projects in Agriculture Mechanics and Metal Technologies.***  
Mayor Carroll discussed that the school is wanting permission for the Agriculture Mechanics and Metal Technologies classes to go to the convenience station for scraps to make projects. The county is also making a vote on this subject at their commissioners meeting. Mayor Carroll talked to TCEQ and they said that the city is allowed to do this but can not allow scavengers where people want to take things to sell, but only in an agreement that the items will be used in salvaging whatever is taken. The stipulations would be that items taken will only be used for school projects and that no students will be allowed to come alone but will have to be accompanied by a teacher. If people ask why they cannot take items from the convenient station we will let them know that the city and county have an agreement, as a non-profit organization, and voted permission to the school to do so. More discussion on giving individuals permission to take things out for salvaging but charging them for what they take.  
A motion was made by-----Judy Jackson to  
approve request from the Throckmorton Collegiate ISD permission to obtain scrap metal from the  
Convenience Station for projects in Agriculture Mechanics and Metal Technologies.  
Second by-----Brandon Chandler  
Motion carried 5-0.

**5. Review Preliminary 2023-2024 Budget for Throckmorton Appraisal District**

Mayor Carroll went over some of the line items of the preliminary budget of the TCAD. This is only for review as the city hasn't actually approved of their budget in years. Some of the line items in question were discussed and it was decided that Angie, City secretary would email Dede, Chief Appraiser, and ask for amounts in budget to be itemized so that we could better understand where the budget amounts were going to. More discussion on this subject with the council with some agreeing on possibly attending the hearing for TCAD.

**REGULAR MEETING RECESSES – PUBLIC HEARING BEGINS**

**6. Conduct a Public Hearing to consider an Ordinance establishing the Ad Valorem Levy Tax Rate for the City of Throckmorton for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024.**

**7. Conduct a Public Hearing to consider an Ordinance establishing the Ad Valorem Levy Tax Rate for the City of Throckmorton for the Fiscal Year 2023-2024 at 0.745616/100 valuation of property, representing a levy of 0.63141/100 for operations and maintenance and 0.114206/100, for interest and sinking (Debt Service).**

*No one was present for the hearing.*

**PUBLIC HEARINGS END – REGULAR MEETING RESUMES**

**8. Discuss/Adopt ORDINANCE 2023-04 – AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING A BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING RESOURCES FOR THE BUDGET YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2023, AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2024.**

Motion made by-----Cathey Lee  
To adopt Ordinance 2023-2024 Adopting a budget and Appropriating Resources for the Budget year beginning October 1, 2023, and ending September 30, 2024.

Second made by-----Ricky Escalon  
Motion carried 5-0.

**9. Discuss/Adopt ORDINANCE 2023-05 – AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE AD VALOREM LEVY TAX FOR THE CITY OF THROCKMORTON, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2023-2024 AT 0.745616 PER 100 DOLLAR VALUATION OF PROPERTY REPRESENTING A LEVY AT 0.63141/100 FOR OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE, AND 0.114206/100 FOR INTEREST AND SINKING (DEBT SERVICE), BY CONDUCTING A FORMAL “VOICE VOTE” OF SAID ORDINANCE.**

Voice votes were given by all councilmembers to pass Ordinance 2023-05.

- Cathey Lee – Aye
- Ricky Escalon – Aye
- Lester Moses – Aye
- Brandon Chandler – Aye
- Judy Jackson - Aye

**10. Pay Bills/Financial Directors Report – Mayor Carroll**

Mayor Carroll went over the financials with the council. \$50,000 was deposited into the General Fund from the cities TexPool account for business expenses. Each fund was discussed by the mayor.

A motion was made by-----Judy Jackson  
to pay the bills.


Second was made by-----Cathey Lee


Motion carried 5-0.

**11. Adjournment-**

Ricky Escalon made the motion to adjourn.

All in favor.



  
Angie Scarlett, City Secretary

  
Will Carroll, Mayor