

**City of Walnut  
City Council Meeting  
February 10<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 7:00 P.M.**

**Call to Order**

Mayor Karen Crapson called the meeting to order with Council Members Jamie Burke, Brian Crapson, Joshua Sturm, and Cory Scott in attendance. Also in attendance were City Clerk Saralyn Boyd, City Treasurer Samantha Guy, and City Superintendent Craig Kirkpatrick. Council Member Brian Kirkpatrick was absent.

**Approval of Agenda**

Karen requested a line item be added to the agenda to discuss the meeting date and time. Brian Crapson made a motion to approve the meeting agenda including this addition. Joshua Sturm seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**Approval of Minutes**

Brian Crapson motioned for approval of the minutes from the previous regular meeting. Jamie Burke seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**Approval of Bills**

Brian Crapson made a motion to approve the bills. Jamie Burke seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**Clerk's Report**

The account balance as of February 10th, is \$76,391.61. As for delinquent utility accounts for January, all account balances were collected. The number of utility bills left for collection for February was yet to be determined.

**Treasurer's Report**

City Treasurer, Samantha Guy, reported everything was accurate for the reports for January.

**Old Business**

Mayor Karen Crapson stated that Rusty contacted her from the Crawford County Emergency Management Department about the Official ID's and explained their printer was broken and ID's will be printed when the new printer is received in a couple of weeks.

**New Business**

Council Member Joshua Sturm was sworn into Council Member Position #4 for the new term.

It was brought to the council’s attention that Tim Fielder has a scheduled client on the second Monday of each month. The City Clerk was to contact Tim Fielder to determine days that would align with his schedule.

**Maintenance Report**

A draft of the Emergency Water Supply Plan is still being edited. The plan is to be finalized and submitted to the council at the next regular meeting.

Water Station Repairs have not taken place yet.

Craig presented estimates for a Mueller Meter Reading Long Range Mini Mobile System and Long Range Mobile System. The Long Range Mini Mobile System is a handheld scanner that reads meters after being placed within a short meter range of the meter. The Long Range Mobile System is a receiver kit that would be placed on a city building and it can read meters at any time within a five mile radius.

**Librarian’s Report**

Pancake Feed is held on February 15th from 8-10 am.

**Councilmember Concerns**

There were no councilmember concerns at this time.

**Public Comment**

Joe Smith was present to state his opinion on the water and sewer rates for the apartments. He stated his concern with the apartments having to raise rent for the tenants and the tenants can’t afford the raise of rent nor the cost of a deposit and rates for separate water accounts per apartment. He states his concern that these tenants will drive people out of town that spend a lot of money in town and once that happens, the rest of the town suffers the effect. The council discussed their efforts in trying to avoid the fee increase.

There was no action taken on the subject.

**Call for Adjournment**

Brian Crapson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Cory Scott seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.