

**City of Walnut**  
**City Council Meeting**  
**March 12<sup>th</sup>, 2020, 7:00 P.M.**  
**Addressing Items on the Agenda Originally Scheduled for**  
**March 9th, 2020, 7:00 P.M.**

**Call to Order**

Mayor Karen Crapson called the meeting to order, at 7:04 PM, with Council Members Brian Kirkpatrick, Jamie Burke, Brian Crapson, and Joshua Sturm in attendance. Also in attendance were City Clerk Saralyn Boyd, and City Treasurer Samantha Guy. Council Member Cory Scott, City Superintendent Craig Kirkpatrick and City Attorney Tim Fielder were all absent.

**Approval of Agenda**

Brian Crapson made a motion to approve the meeting agenda. Brian Kirkpatrick seconded the motion. All were in favor.

**Approval of Minutes**

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

**Approval of Bills**

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

**Clerk's Report**

The account balance as of March 12th, is \$74,572.95. As for delinquent utility accounts for February, all account balances were collected. The number of utility bills left for collection for March was currently reported at 7 accounts.

There was a miscommunication about future meeting dates being an issue for Tim Fielder. That meeting was just rescheduled for that month only, and future meetings for the City of Walnut will not be interrupted.

**Treasurer's Report**

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

### **Old Business**

Mayor Karen Crapson stated that she still has not heard back from Rusty at Cr. Co. Emergency Department about the ID's. She mentioned she will contact him to see if the new printer is active and ready for the ID's to be printed.

Tim Harmon was present to discuss the water meter issue with the mayor and council. After much discussion, the terms were laid out with the following criteria.

Karen entertained a motion to accept Tim Harmon's terms for letting the City Clerk know by the end of the business day on the 20th of each month, the number of apartments that are in use, and this will be the number of units that are billed under the sewer rate. If the number of units in use is not reported by the acceptable time, the full billing of 6 units at \$30 each will be charged on the bill for that month. (Sewer billing is the only part of the billing affected by this motion). Jamie Burke made a motion to approve this entertained motion by Karen with the stated terms. Brian Crapson seconded the motion. All were in favor. At some point, Tim Harmon mentioned he will most likely set up each apartment on it's own meter in the near future, and the council agreed that is still an option, with a \$300 meter charge for each, as stated in the ordinance, and also each tenant would be responsible for their own new account deposit of \$200 and the corresponding application..

### **New Business**

The 2020 Mowing Bid Application was presented to the council for approval. Brian Crapson approved the 2020 Mowing Bid Application as well as approval for advertisement to the public. Brian Kirkpatrick seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The 2020 Annual Insurance Payment is due to Personal Service Insurance for the amount of \$11,142.00. Brian Kirkpatrick made a motion to approve this annual insurance payment to Personal Service Insurance. Jamie Burke seconded the motion. All were in favor.

The council discussed dates to hold the 2020 CityWide Clean-Up. Brian Kirkpatrick motioned to schedule the dates of the 2020 CityWide Clean-Up for May 1st, 2nd, and 3rd. Brian Crapson seconded the motion. All were in favor.

### **Maintenance Report**

Water Station Repairs are reported to be in progress.

The final Emergency Water Supply Plan was presented to the council. Brian Kirkpatrick made a motion to approve the Emergency Water Supply Plan for 2020. Jamie Burke seconded the motion. All were in favor. The Emergency Water Supply Plan will need to be reviewed annually, required by KDHE.

The discussion for the Mueller Scanner System was postponed to a later meeting date. The council requested for Craig to invite the representative for Mueller to attend a future meeting for further discussion on the topic.

### **Librarian's Report**

Pancake Feed is scheduled for March 14th from 8-10 am. An Easter Egg Hunt was also scheduled for April 11th. The Library requested a donation for the Easter Egg Hunt. Brian Kirkpatrick made a motion to approve a \$50 donation for the Easter Egg Hunt. Jamie Burke seconded the motion. All were in favor.

### **Councilmember Concerns**

There was discussion on whistles that are in need of, and/or needing to be cleaned out. Karen mentioned that Erie can help us with the cleaning of whistles, but require a place to dump the truck. Josh Sturm offered the truck to be dumped on his land in a pond that is being filled in. There was no action taken on the subject.

### **Public Comment**

Karen mentioned she has other obligations each Monday of next month and it will conflict the next month's meeting. The council decided to leave the meeting the same and the President of the Council, Brian Kirkpatrick will hold the meeting.

Saralyn mentioned the antenna equipment that was hanging from the top of the water tower was removed by Crawford County, so it is no longer an issue.

Jamie Scott requested Beachner's to be contacted concerning maintenance to "Beachner Road" or the road that leads down to Beachner Grain from the highway. Josh Sturm mentioned he will contact Dustin Kennedy at Beachner Grain concerning the maintenance.

Josh Sturm requested the city put in an order for whistles. There was no action taken on the subject.

### **Call for Adjournment**

Brian Kirkpatrick made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Brian Crapson seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 7:41 p.m.