# MINUTES CITY OF TEAGUE

# BOARD OF ALDERMEN BUDGET WORKSHOP MEETING JULY 23, 2020 9:00 A.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM IS PRESENT: The meeting was called to order at 9:00 A.M. by Mayor James Monks and a Quorum was announced. Present: James Monks, Mayor, Jerry Ballew, Mayor Pro Tempore / Alderman Place I, Chris Nickleberry, Alderman Place IV, and Ryan Mathison, Alderman Place V Absent: Rhonda Jones, Alderman Place II Vacant: Alderman Place III

## 2. WORKSHOP AND DISCUSSION:

- 9 A.M. Discussion on the proposed 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget.

  The Preliminary 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget was presented and discussed by the Board of Aldermen, City Administrator Bell and Bookkeeper Long, Public Works Director Cowling and Police Chief Philpott.
- 12 P.M Break for lunch
  The meeting was recessed at 11:46 A.M. by Mayor Monks
  The meeting reconvened at 1:32 P.M. by Mayor Monks
- 1:30 P.M. Resume discussion on the proposed 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget. Continued presentation and discussion of the Preliminary 2020-2021 Fiscal Year Budget resumed with the additional assistance of Fire Chief Bodine, Justin Romine, and Librarian Willis.

# Noted and Discussed Changes:

#### Parks

- Staff to prepare and present at the next Board of Aldermen Meeting the 8<sup>th</sup> Avenue City Park Sidewalk Plan.
- The purchase of two additional basketball goals and paint the BTW City Park basketball court this current budget year.
- The Mayor will contact the Baseball Association regarding the possibility of them matching the cost of the electrical installation for the scoreboard at the Neil Walker Baseball Field.

# **Streets**

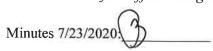
- o Include the \$90,000 for the purchase of equipment for street repairs but would like to see a demo or test the Dura Patch machine prior to purchasing it. In addition, utilizing some of the proceeds from the recent auction to purchase the equipment.
- o In favor of purchasing the equipment instead of hiring two additional employees.

#### Sewer

- Would like to review options of self-financing the \$253,000 for the presented Capital Improvement Project.
- In favor of Mrs. Long's job title and responsibilities to include Utility Billing Supervisor which will merit a \$1/hour increase.

### **❖** Police

- Financing the purchase of new tasers.
- o Supports Chief Philpott's decision of implementing 80/hour pay period schedule.
- Prepare and bring back later the possibility of restructuring the certification pay and the implementation of step raises, but not to be included in the budget.
- Not in favor of employing an additional officer, purchasing 3 new vehicles, pay increase for Officer Sergant.



- Fire
  - o Fully fund the complete \$18,000 for the SCBAs.
- Library
  - o Fund more in the office supplies line item.
- 3. ADJOURN: Mayor Monks adjourned the meeting at 2:49 P.M.

The meeting adjourned.

The City of Teague,

Theresa Bell, City Secretary / Administrator

James Monks, Mayor