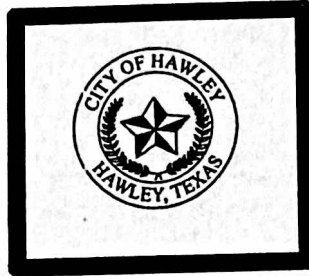


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**MINUTES FOR THE APRIL 13, 2021 CITY OF HAWLEY REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING**

Mayor Richardson called the meeting into order at 7:03 pm.

The opening prayer was made by Councilman Jason Dokey.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman David Newman.

Approval of the March 9, 2021 regular meeting minutes. No corrections were needed at this time. Councilman Jason Dokey made the motion to accept the minutes. Councilman David Newman second the motion. All approved.

**MEMBERS PRESENT:** Mayor Billy Richardson, Councilman Jason Dokey, and Councilman David Newman were present in person. Councilman Will Womack is in attendance via zoom video conference calling. Councilwoman Rhonda Bearden is absent.

**GENERAL PUBLIC:** Charles Crumpton with AEL, Mike Perez with AEL, Dale Garner with AEL, Jeremiah Bihl with Jacob and Martin Engineering.

**General Public Presentation:** There is no public presentation. No action taken.

**NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Introduction of Abilene Environmental Landfill and MSW hauling service. Mike Perez presented a binder filled with the basic information pertaining to this company. The parent

company is Alamo 1. This Company is an environmental certified company that allows the services during FEMA disasters, etc. The smallest container available is a 2-yard and increases to a 4-yard, 6-yard, and on up in size. The type of trucks available currently are solely side loaders. This presentation is for informational purposes only. Councilman Dokey made the motion to accept the presentation from Abilene Environmental Landfill and MSW hauling services. Councilman Newman second. All approved. Motion passed.

- B. Jacob and Martin to discuss the USDA Sewer Grant Withhold letter. This is a standard return letter and is a typical wording issue on the Engineering Co. first submission to USDA. Jacob and Martin will adjust the wording and plans to re-submit the Engineering Report for further review and/or final submission. Councilman Newman made the motion to accept the presentation of explanation for the Sewer Grant process/withhold letter. Councilman Dokey second the motion. All approved. Motion passed.
- C. Police Department retrieval/capture of animals at large (along Avenue G and 9<sup>th</sup> street). Chief Wilson presented the need to find a shelter or dispose of approximately 4 adult dogs. The dogs were previously abandoned and were left to fend for themselves. Councilman Newman suggested to try to capture the dogs humanly and euthanize then; the cost through the Anson animal clinic is up to \$30 per animal to euthanize. Mayor Richardson approved the cost to euthanize the animals if needed. Chief Wilson also discussed the upcoming for a rabies clinic within the City limits. Jo-Mills Welch has approached the Police Department to help organize a rabies clinic in the month of June. The EDC currently does have a rabies clinic scheduled for June 26, 2021. A discussion about a potential encroachment to the EDC members occurred. Councilman Garrard proceeded with the advice that it would be best to discuss the potential of teaming up with Jo-Mills Welch, to hold the rabies clinic with one another, very lightly. Alise Miller has held the Hawley clean-up, City- wide garage sale, and the rabies clinic very dear to her heart. Caution to avoid conflict is to be taken. Administrative Assistant Jennings will reach out to the EDC's Treasurer, Alise Miller, to further discuss the situation. Councilman Newman made the motion to approve the retrieval of the animals located along Avenue G. Councilman Womack second the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

### **Old Business:**

- A. No old business was addressed at this time. No action taken

### **Reports:**

- A. Hawley EDC – No report currently. No action taken.
- B. Administrative Report – Administrative Assistant Jennings presented the report. Mrs. Jennings addressed TX Dot grant totals being reduced due to low enforcement periods. Mrs. Jennings also requested to work remotely throughout the months of June 2021 through

August 2021. There are no concerns pertaining to working remotely during the summer months. Mrs. Jennings advised the Council members that the IRS 941/940 forms will be submitted by the end of the month, as well as the coinciding payments. Councilman Dokey made the motion to approve to administrative report. Councilman Garrard second the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

- C. Municipal Court Report – Associate Judge Turner presented the monthly totals. There are no questions or concerns. Councilman Newman made the motion to accept the Municipal Court report. Councilman Dokey second the motion. All approved. Motion passed.
- D. Police Report - Chief Wilson presented the report. Mr. Wilson discussed the monthly totals for the Police Department. He notified the Council members of the internal camera system failure within both patrol units. He has provided a few quotes about the replacement DVR camera systems in which are projected at \$200.00 per month on up. A full replacement up front cost is projected to be around \$5000.00 on up. No decisions have been made as to a purchase or replacement at this time. Chief Wilson made each member aware that the Meals on Wheels through Anson has generously offered to provide a truck load of boxed meals if the City is interested in allowing that to take place. There is no action needed. Councilman Garrard made the motion to accept the police report. Councilman Dokey second the motion. All approved. Motion passed.
- E. Street Report – Mayor Richardson presented the report. The need to purchase additional millings to patch problematic areas throughout the City streets. Mayor Richardson plans to reach out to Trussel Davis to get a load of millings delivered in the upcoming weeks. The millings will be used to fill in problematic areas along the roadways within City limits. Councilman Garrard made the motion to accept the street report. Councilman Newman second the motion. All approved. Motion passed.
- F. Quarterly Investment Report – Councilman Dokey presented the report. There are no issues within the finances for the City. Councilman Newman made the motion to accept the Quarterly Investment report. Councilman Garrard second the motion. All approved. Motion passed.
- G. Financial Report and Pay Bills – Administrative Assistant Jennings addressed the totals for the month's expenses and income. The monthly totals were correct but will need adjusted to reflect the totals in the office expense line item and the Elections line items as positive. A line item will need to be added to separate the Presiding Judge and Associate Judge salary. This can be done without requiring a motion or special meeting. Councilman Newman made the motion to move the appropriate funding to clear the red areas from the Grant fund, as well as to add an additional \$1200.00 to the office expense line item to prevent a negative total in the upcoming months. Councilman Dokey second the motion. All approved. Motion passed. Councilman Newman made the motion to accept the financial report and pay the bills. Councilman Dokey second the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION:**

**A. To deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassessment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee**


Councilman Garrard made the motion to enter Executive Session at 10:01 p.m. Councilman Newman second the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

Councilman Garrard made the motion to exit Executive Session at 10:17 p.m. Councilman Newman second the motion. All approved. Motion passed.

**CLOSING COMMENTS and Adjourn:**

A motion to adjourn at 10:18 p.m. was made by Councilman Newman. Councilman Garrard second. All approved. Motion passed.

  
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Billy Richardson, Mayor

  
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Amber Jennings, Office Administration

