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MINUTES FOR THE MARCH 15, 2022, SPECIAL CALLED HAWLEY CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARING AND MEETING

The public hearing and meeting were called to order by Mayor Richardson at 6:01 p.m...,

David Newman provided the opening prayer and Mayor Richardson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Member's present were:

Mayor - Billy Richardson

Mayor ProTem - Jason Dokey

Council Place II - Vivian Romero

Council Place III - Frank Garrard

Council Place IV - David Newman

Council Place V – Lance Pinnick

General Public Presentation:

Tim Ferrall, Ronnie Young, Carla Whitehead, Ronnie Whitehead, Etta Woodard, Joe Woodard, Charles Beason, Diana Beason, Joe Trumbo, Clay Williams, Christina Kuper, Mr. Kuper were present for the public hearing. Todd Powell from USDA and a representee from Jacob and Martin were also in attendance to answer questions.

It was explained that the city was not committed until closing for the loan and grant to cover the cost of the sewer system for the city. The first three years would be an interest only payment every 6 months which would allow the city time to establish the monies required to make the first payment on the loan. The loan would be in the amount \$2,639,000.00 and grant amount of \$4,806,000.00. The amount to purchase the existing line from the school is \$910,000.00. The cost for residents and commercial owners monthly is only an estimated cost currently and is between \$40-\$55 dollars a month. There are 275 households and 31 businesses that would be tied in at this point. The grant would cover filling in all existing systems and tying in each household and business to the line. The loan funds would be used before any grant funds would be provided for use.

Charles Beason addressed council with his support for the sewer system and that staying ahead of things before the city was forced to put in the system as the school had been required to do years prior. Diana Beason thanked council for all their effort and time.

Joe Woodard inquired into the grant covering the grease traps that some businesses are required to have. It was stated that all existing traps would be brought up to code with the funds available. Any business established after the placement of the sewer line would be responsible for complying.

Joe Trumbo thank council for the effort in trying to implement the sewer system and stated he would probably have to update his current system in five years and supports the sewer system project and hoped that it would be within the next five years that the system was in place.

Clay Williams questions pertained to his recently opened business and his existing grease trap. It was stated that his business would be tied into the new system with no additional cost to him, any maintenance after the initial hookup would be at the business owner's expense.

Carla Whitehead thanked council for the continued effort in trying to implement the new sewer system for the city.

New Business:

- a) David motioned to move forward in accepting the grant in the amount of \$4,806,000.00 for the construction of a sewer system for the City of Hawley, Jason Dokey second the motion, all approved and the motion passed.
- b) David motioned to move forward in accepting the loan in the amount of \$2,639,000.00 for the construction of a sewer system for the City of Hawley and to move forward with the engineering assessment, Jason Dokey second the motion, all approved and the motion passed.

Mayor Richardson thanked everyone for coming to the meeting. Jason Dokey made a motion to adjourn at 8:22 with David Newman providing the second, all approved and the motion passed.

	ATTEST:	
Billy Richardson, Mayor		Regina Thompson, City Secretary