

Thursday, October 19, 2023, Regular Meeting 6:30 PM

The City Council of the City of Robert Lee, Texas met in Regular Session at the City Hall at 6:30 p.m.

Present: Mayor Jason Moran Council Members: Brantly Robertson, Mike Stephens, Jonathan Torres, Tracy Grantham

Absent: Council Member Josh Tennison

Call to Order, Quorum Determined, Meeting Declared Open at 6:32 PM

Proclamations & Presentations

Citizen Comments

Consent Agenda

- A. Minutes - September 21, 2023 & October 5, 2023
- B. Municipal Court Report
- C. Code Enforcement Report
- D. Financial Report

Motion by Council Member Mike Stephens to approve the consent agenda. Seconded by Council Member Jonathan Torres. Vote 4-0, motion carries.

Regular Agenda

- A. Coke County Election Equipment Lease & Joint Election Contract- FY 23-24
Motion by Council Member Jonathan Torres to accept the Joint Election Contract with Coke County. Seconded by Council Member Mike Stephens. Vote 4-0, motion carries.
- B. Reappoint Commissioners for Housing Authority Board
Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham to reappoint the following commissioners to their current positions on the Housing Authority Board; Cole Flannagan, Farrel Jean Washam, Kim Lewis, and Valeria Howard. Seconded by Council Member Brantly Robertson. Vote 4-0, motion carries.
- C. Low Income Household Water Assistance Program Extension
Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham to renew the contract with Concho Valley Community Action Agency to allow them to assist citizens with utility bills through the city. Seconded by Council Member Mike Stephens. Vote, 4-0, motion carries.
- D. Alcohol Regulations Ordinance - Repeal Ordinance 1141 & 1220
Motion by Council Member Mike Stephens to approve of the 1st reading of Ordinance 28-23, repeal alcohol ordinance 1141 & 1220. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham. Vote 4-0, motion carries.
- E. 27-23 Water Ordinance 1st Reading
Discussion: Water rates from Bronte have increased by 3.33%, The City will be instilling the same increase.
Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham to approve of the first reading of Ordinance 27-23, Water Rates and Taps. Seconded by Council Member Jonathan Torres. Vote 4-0, motion carries.
- F. EDC Demo Project - 306 W 15th Street "Clean Up"
Discussion: All properties that are cleaned up around Robert Lee are strictly volunteer work provided by Dale Wojtek. He is unable to get his machinery into 306 W 16th to clean the property, so the owner will have to hire a 3rd party to clean the property if they were to approve the application. The Council is willing to pay for the roll-offs, but not the labor involved in cleaning it up. The property owner can look for another volunteer or third party to clean the property, and then reapply for the roll-offs.
Motion by Council Member Mike Stephens to deny the Demo project application located at 306 W. 15th Street. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham. Vote 4-0, motion carries.
- G. City Hall Renovations - Clearfork Contract
Discussion: Renovations are scheduled to start November 1st, 2023, and end February 29th, 2024.

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Motion by Council Member Mike Stephens to approve the contract with the appendix provided by City Attorney Jeff Betty. Seconded by Council Member Brantly Robertson. Vote 4-0, motion carries.

H. Street Sign Project - Remaining Signs

Motion by Council Member Jonathan Torres to approve the quote of \$3747.70 for the remainder of the street signs for residential streets and highways. Seconded by Council Member Mike Stephens. Vote 4-0, motion carries.

I. Tire Drive- Options

Discussion: A company provided rates to the City of Robert Lee regarding a tire drive. Several options were presented to the council on whether or not to charge citizens who utilized the service, the item has been tabled to discuss further with the County.

Motion by Council Member Jonathan Torres to table until more information is gathered regarding the County's previous plans to set up a Tire Drive. Seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham. Vote 4-0, motion carries.

J. Darnell Construction - Sewer Tap Located at 806 Vicki Street

Discussion: The Public Works Department is currently unequipped to tap a sewer deep into the ground. In the past, Darnell Construction has been hired since they have the proper safety equipment for handling deep mains.

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham to approve the quote of \$7,500.00 provided by Darnell Construction for the Sewer Tap on Vicki Street. Seconded by Council Member Mike Stephens. Vote 4-0, motion carries.

K. Health Insurance Quote

Discussion: The Council would like to look at other options for health insurance. A gentleman presented alternative insurance options for the council to consider ranging from PPO, HMO, or HAS. This presentation was only for health benefits, so the council decided to table for more information regarding vision and dental insurance options.

Motion by Council Member Brantly Robertson to table this item until the November Regular Meeting for more information about dental, vision, and health insurance. Seconded by Council Member Mike Stephens. Vote 4-0, motion carries.

Reports

Mayor – Mayor Jason Moran has officially announced that he will not be running for a new term since he is moving outside of city limits.

Secretary – Employee Appreciation Dinner scheduled for November 9th at 6:30 PM. There will be a Halloween event at City Hall from 5:30 PM -7:00 PM. The city has contributed to three new events. All properties have been sold that were listed on Texas Community Groups.

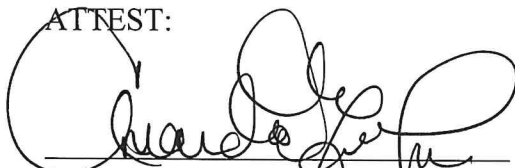
Superintendent – 43 work orders completed, 9 disconnects due to nonpayment, (1) 18ft section of old steel line replaced (EST water loss 1,500), two lines located, and 5 data logs captured for customers.

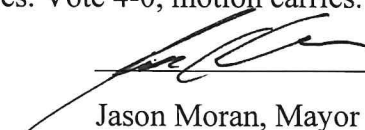
Request for Future Agenda Items

Adjournment

Motion by Mayor Pro Tem Tracy Grantham to adjourn the Regular City Council Meeting at 8:00 PM. Seconded by Council Member Jonathan Torres. Vote 4-0, motion carries.

ATTEST:


Amanda Mendoza, City Secretary


Jason Moran, Mayor