## CITY OF WILLERNIE CITY COUNCIL MEETING NOVEMBER 16, 2022

# **PRESENT:** Parent, DeJong, Siver, Baglio, Soderlund, Maintenance Superintendent-Rick Paulson, Engineer-Marcus Johnson via Zoom and Clerk-Vickie Keating.

## ADOPTION OF AGENDA

Legal fees and water increase were added under new business to the agenda. After the additions were made Baglio moved to approve the agenda, Soderlund seconded the motion and the agenda was approved.

#### **MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 2022 MEETING**

Baglio moved to approve the minutes as pre-read, Siver seconded the motion, and the minutes were approved.

#### WASHINGTON COUNTY SHERIFF

Officers from the sheriff's office did not attend the November council meeting.

#### **CANVASS THE POLLS FOR 2022 ELECTION**

The resolution was read by the mayor and a motion to approve the resolution to certify the November 2022 election was made by Parent. DeJong seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

## **XCEL PERMIT FOR MAINTENANCE BUILDING**

Parent read the permit for the maintenance building connection to gas and electricity.

Siver moved to approve the permit for the maintenance building connection, DeJong seconded the motion and the motion passed.

#### LEGAL FEES

A letter was sent by Galowitz, Olson, asking for an increase in the legal fees. There has not been an increase in the fees for ten years and they are asking for \$200 an hour, which is the standard fee.

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DeJong asked if he could research legal fees, and was told he is free to do so, however, the majority of the council is not interested in changing legal representation at this time.

## WATER INCREASE

Parent explained the water billing system through the years and the replacement of the water meters. New meters will need to be considered in ten years.

## YARDS IN VIOLATION

203 Chatham – citation will be mailed to Texas.

308 Paddington – Tyler Russ is the owner, and this is a rental house. The trailer dumpster has been cleaned out. The overfill is next to vehicles and the fence line. The junk on the side of the dumpster has not been removed.

Tyler will be contacted by the clerk and asked to attend the December council meeting to discuss the violations on the property.

316 Webster -- has cleared up the area.

512 Donegal is cleared, and 411 Dartmoor is working with the council on cleaning up the property.

## RICK REPORT

The gas should be installed on Monday, Xcel still needs to install the electricity. Concrete blocks were purchased and paid for today to keep the area clean and eliminate moisture issues.

The dock is out, the snow plough is on the truck, so everything is ready for winter.

DeJong asked about a pothole on Kindross, however, this might not be addressed until spring depending on the weather.

Marcus – the engineer, explained that the asphalt on Craig place has not been put in place. They are going to spray moss on the area to help with erosion, the Watershed has approved the plan, everything is contingent on the weather at this time.

## APPROVAL OF THE BILLS

Siver moved to approve the bills, Baglio seconded the motion and the bills were approved.

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# **ADJOURNMENT**

A motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. was made by Soderlund, Siver seconded the motion and the meeting was adjourned.

Respectfully submitted,

Victoria R. Keating Clerk-Treasurer