City of Hawkins
City Council Minutes
January 18, 2024

On this day January 18, 2024, at 6:00 pm, Mayor Pro Tem Chuck Richoz called a regular City Council meeting to order with council members Greg Branson, Eric Maloy, Clara Kay, and Eleta Taylor. The department heads present were: Norma Hallmark, Mandy Thomas, Ty Musick for Bucky Elkins, and Mike Maberry. Guy McKee was not present.

Clara Kay gave the invocation.

U.S. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Greg Branson.

Citizens of the community were at the meeting to support and to speak on behalf of City Secretary Mandy Thomas and the listed agenda items.

Clara Kay made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda which consist of Minutes from Regular City Council Meeting December 18, 2023 and January 09, 2024 Special City Council Meeting, and Financial Report. Eric Maloy seconded the motion. Three voted for the motion and Greg Branson opposed. The motion carried.

Eric Maloy made a motion to table Michael Fagan to discuss the use of the Community Center free of charge for an activity that is needed in this area. Clara Kay seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Eric Maloy made a motion to approve the Monthly Departmental Reports. Greg Branson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Eric Maloy made a motion to let City Attorney Ron Stutes go immediately; Eleta Taylor seconded the motion. Three voted yes and Clara Kay abstained from voting.

Eric Maloy made a motion for a 60-day spending freeze, except for operational expenses and salary. Nonoperational purchases must be turned into the City Secretary on a purchase order for Mayor Pro Tem approve before purchase. Greg Branson seconded the motion. The motion carried.

No action taking on discuss & vote on amending the 2023-2024 Budget.

Eric Maloy made a motion to reappoint Greg Branson for Hawkins Community Development Corporation; Clara Kay seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Eric Maloy made a motion to appoint Stephanie McConnell for Hawkins Community Development Corporation; Clara Kay seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Clara Kay made a motion to table discuss and approve transferring City of Hawkins Police Vehicles to the City of Hawkins Police Department to obtain Law Enforcement Status until
Chief of Police Guy McKee could be present. Eleta Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Greg Branson made a motion to let Building Inspector Todd Peterson go. Eleta Taylor seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Greg Branson made a motion to null & void the personnel issues (disciplinary actions) against City Secretary Mandy Thomas. Eric Maloy seconded the motion. The motion carried.

Clara Kay made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Greg Branson. The motion so carried.

Attest:

Mandy K. Thomas, City Secretary