

CITY OF THROCKMORTON
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
SEPTEMBER 8TH, 2015 @ 7:00 P.M.

1. Mayor Will Carroll called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. with council members Corey Keeter, Geneva Rodgers, Tamra Gray, and Judy Jackson present. Mayor Will Carroll, Melanie Gober, City Secretary, Kim Bundy, Asst. City Secretary and Annette Franklin, Citizen were also present. Invocation was given by Mayor Carroll.

2. The Council reviewed and approved the minutes from the August 11th, 2015 regular Meeting, the August 25th and August 31st Special Meetings. There was a correction pointed out by Geneva Rodgers to the August 11th, 2015 minutes, the motion to pay bills was not made by Ben Daws. The correction will be made and the August 11th, 2015 minutes will reflect the correction. No other mistakes were found.
Motion to approve the minutes as corrected was made by-----Corey Keeter
Second by-----Geneva Rodgers
All Council Members in favor. Motion carried 4-0.

3. There was no one present for Citizens participation.

4. There was no one present regarding the plumbing issue at Throckmorton County Abstract . The consensus is that there is no involvement or liability by the City in this issue.

6. Mayor Carroll reported the outcome of the trial of:

THE STATE OF TEXAS vs PAULA HIGHT CHAMBERS

The Jury found Ms. Chambers **Guilty of Theft** in the amount of \$1395.00 which is a **State Jail Felony**

Initial Sentence:

Sixteen (16) months in the State Jail Division of Texas Department of Criminal Justice
Fine of \$1000.00
Court Cost of \$2394.00
Restitution of \$1397.20

The Judge allowed a Plea Bargain that was agreed upon by both sides in lieu of jail time in which Ms. Chambers received:

Three (3) years' Probation with Community Service
All Rights to Appeal are Waived
Fine in the amount of \$1000.00
Court Cost of \$2394.00
Restitution of \$1397.20

Ms. Chambers will have a Felony Conviction on her record and will be responsible for paying all Court Costs as stated above as well as Probation Fees and Community Service.

7. Kim Bundy addressed the council regarding Ms. Chamber's trial. She was in the courtroom throughout the trial which lasted for four days and it was really a tough time for her. She also reported there have been many positive improvements made in the accounting practices at City Hall. The City no longer accepts cash for utility payments, there is a receipt written for all payments received, the receipt books are added by both the Asst. Secretary and the City Secretary and then balanced with the deposit slips to show all money is there. The City has changed their Utility software from Inhance to RVS; RVS shows at the end of the month any adjustments made to an account and what the adjustments were for. There are always ways to improve and we are always trying to find better ways of doing things to insure we are operating as correctly and efficiently as possible, it will always be a work in progress.

Geneva Rodgers had to leave the meeting due to a personal emergency.

5. The Council discussed **Resolution 2015-04**, a Resolution Extending the Depository Agreement between the City of Throckmorton and The First National Bank of Throckmorton for an additional two-year term from October 1, 2015 through September 20, 2017.
Motion to approve Resolution 2015-04 was made by-----Judy Jackson
Second by-----Corey Keeter
Motion Carried 3-0

8. The Council discussed applying for the Texas Department of Transportation (RAMP) Grant between the City of Throckmorton and the Texas Department of Transportation and designating Mayor Will Carroll as the authorized representative for the City of Throckmorton.
Motion to approve applying for the TX DOT (RAMP) Grant and designating Mayor Will Carroll as authorized representative was made by-----
Corey Keeter
Second by-----Judy Jackson
Motion Carried 3-0

REGULAR MEETING RECESSED-PUBLIC HEARING BEGAN @ 7:29 P.M.

9. There was no one present for the public hearing to consider an Ordinance adopting a budget for the City of Throckmorton for the Fiscal Year beginning October 1, 2015 and ending September 30, 2016.
10. There was no one present for the public hearing to consider an Ordinance establishing the Ad Valorem Levy Tax Rate for the City of Throckmorton for the Fiscal Year 2015-2016.

PUBLIC HEARING ENDED-REGULAR MEETING RESUMED @ 7:31 P.M.


11. Council discussed Ordinance 2015-06, an **ORDINANCE ADOPTING A BUDGET AND APPROPRIATING RESOURCES FOR BUDGET YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2015 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2016.**
Motion to approve Ordinance 2015-06 was made by-----Tamra Gray
Second by-----Judy Jackson
Motion carried 3-0

12. Council discussed Ordinance 2015-07, **AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING THE AD VALOREM LEVY TAX FOR THE CITY OF THROCKMORTON FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2015-2016 AT \$0.95965** PER 100 DOLLAR VALUATION OF PROPERTY, REPRESENTING A LEVY OF **0.80490/100** FOR OPERATIONS AND MAINTENANCE AND **0.15475/100** FOR INTEREST AND SINKING (DEBT SERVICE), BY CONDUCTING A FORMAL "VOICE VOTE" OF SAID ORDINANCE.

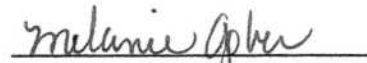
Judy Jackson-Aye Corey Keeter-Aye
Tamra Gray-Aye

13. This month's bills were reviewed and discussed by the Council.
Motion to pay the bills was made by-----Corey Keeter
Second by-----Tamra Gray
Motion carried 3-0

14. Motion was made by Judy Jackson to adjourn, all in favor, motion carried 3-0.



Will Carroll, Mayor



Melanie Gober, City Secretary



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