

City of Wallis
Regular City Council Meeting
Wednesday, June 21, 2023

This is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting for the City of Wallis, TX held on Wednesday, June 21, 2023.

1. Call to order

Mayor Little Called the meeting to order at 6:00pm.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Led by Mayor Little

3. Roll Call and Certification of Quorum

A quorum was present. Present were Councilmember James King, Councilmember Belinda Halfin, Councilmember Deborah Boren, Councilmember Clark Main Jr., Councilmember Joell Prado and Mayor Little.

4. Communication from the Public

None

5. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Joell Prado to approve the minutes from May 17, 2023 regular meeting and May 24, 2023 Workshop. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Action on Department Reports

a Public Works monthly report – No action. Public Works Director discussed the importance of citizens installing a private cut off valve for their property. Royce stated that there has been some tampering with the new meters and Council suggested sending out information to citizens on the consequences for tampering with water meters. About 96% of the smart meters have been installed, as soon as all meters are installed information will be sent out explaining to citizens how they will be able to log in and monitor their water usage.

b. Police Department monthly report & Admin. monthly report – No action. Chief Moseley introduced the newly hired Court Clerks, Juana Mora- Head Clerk and Lindsey Varana -Clerk.

c. Municipal Court monthly report – No action

d. Code Enforcement monthly report – No action

7. **Financial Review**

Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to approve the financial report and payment of bills. Motion passed unanimously.

8. a. **Mayor Pro-Tem**

Mayor Little recommended to appoint Councilmember James King as Mayor Pro-Tem.

Motion made by Councilmember Clark Main Jr., second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to accept the recommendation of Councilmember James King as Mayor Pro-Tem. Motion passed unanimously.

b. **Agenda Request** – Request from Brian Gibula regarding development of land on Johnston Rd. Mr. Gibula did not attend the council meeting, stated he was no longer interested at this time.

c. **Agenda Request** -Request from Bobbie Toman regarding excavating land to raise elevation council explained to Ms. Toman that she would need to look into a flood plain mitigation. No action.

d. **Resolution No 2023-04**

Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to approve Resolution No. 2023-04, Justice Assistance Grant Program, Detective Grant for year 2023-2024. Motion passed unanimously.

e. **Bluebonnet Water Reports**

Public Works Director talked to EDK and they stated that reports have been submitted.

Council stated that all communication sent to and from EDK operator should be also sent to Public Works Director. No action

f. **EDK Services**

Motion by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Joell Prado to approve the contract only on a month-to-month basis until further notice and that EDK has 10 days to supply Public Works Director with identification of all employees that are working within the City of Wallis Water and Wastewater facilities. Motion passed unanimously.

g. **MIT Grant**

Environmental is in the process of being done, when completed the project will go out for bids

When all easements are acquired, they will go forward with the drainage portion of the grant.

No action

h. **Substandard Building at 6538 Railroad**

Tabled until next meeting.

i. **5414 Demel**

Code Enforcement will contact persons at 5414 Demel about permits that are needed.

j. **Boarding House**

This item will be placed on next month agenda for update regarding permitting for Boarding House.

k. **Ordinance No 245**

Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember Deborah Boren to approve Ordinance No. 245. Motion passed unanimously.

l. **Agenda Request from William Murphy – Permit Procedures**

Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember Deborah Boren to approve the permit procedures presented by William Murphy and appoint Mr. Murphy as Building Official. Motion passed unanimously.

m. **EDC Updates**

- a. Aerial photographing of commercial buildings on Commerce – Tabled until next meeting
- b. Setting date for presentation of final report on AMPSS Grant – Tabled until next meeting

n. **Presentation from Betty Russo**

Setting date for presentation – Tabled until next meeting

o. **Workshop dates**

Possible date, July 12th or July 26th. Tabled until next meeting

p. **Early closure of City Hall on July 3rd**

Motion made by Councilmember James King, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to close City Hall at noon on Monday, July 3rd to prepare for Independence Day Celebration at Mynarik Park. Motion passed unanimously.

q. **Closed Session- Texas Government code sec. 551.072 Deliberations about Real Property.**

Canceled due to early adjournment of meeting due to approaching bad weather.

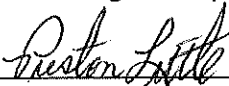
r. **Reconvene from Closed Session** – No action

s. **Future Agenda Items**

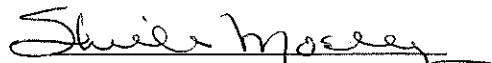
All items tabled at this meeting due to early adjournment of meeting due to approaching bad Weather.

9. Adjourn Meeting

Motion made by Councilmember Joell Prado, second by Councilmember Clark Main Jr. to adjourn meeting at 9:09pm.



Preston Little, Mayor



Sheila Moseley, City Secretary

ATTEST: