

City of Wallis
Regular City Council Meeting
Wednesday, June 18, 2024

This is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting for the City of Wallis, Texas held on Wednesday, June 18, 2024 at 6:00pm.

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. A quorum was present. Present were Councilmember Jimmy Lavergne, Councilmember Belinda Halfin, Councilmember Deborah Boren, Councilmember David Marek and Mayor Little. Councilmember Clark Main Jr. arrived at 7:25pm.

4. Communication from the Public

None

5. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember Deborah Boren to approve minutes from May 15, 2024. Motion passed unanimously.

6. Action on Department report is necessary

- a. Public Works monthly report – No action
- b. Police/Admin monthly report – No action
- c. Municipal Court – No action

7. Financial Review

Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember David Marek to approve the financial review and payment of bills. Motion passed unanimously.

8. Action on Follow up items if necessary

- a. **Street Topping** – Street topping is on hold for now.
- b. **Chamber Update** – City sign on Commerce is ready and will be installed on Saturday, June 22nd.
- c. **Update on Preservation, Restoration, Beautification Efforts** – A day will be scheduled to clean the fire truck across the street from the post office before July 4th.
- d. **Update on Ordinance Review** – No update
- e. **Roof Repairs** – Waiting on more bids for roof repairs.

9. New Business

a. **Construction Contract for Water Well Improvements** - Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember David Marek to award construction contract for the water well improvements for the Community Development Block Grant with Texas Department of Agriculture, Contract #CDV21-0120 as recommended by BEFCO Engineering to J & S Water Wells Inc, of Bellville, TX. Motion passed unanimously.

b. **Construction Contract for Sanitary Sewer Improvements** - Motion made by Councilmember David Marek, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to award construction contract for Sanitary Sewer Improvements for the Harvey Mitigation Grant with the General Land Office Contract #22-05-054-D311-01 as recommended by Engineer James Weishuhn, to second place bidder, CZ Construction. Motion passed unanimously.

c. **Construction Contract for Drainage Improvements** - Motion made by Councilmember David Marek, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to award construction contract for the Drainage Improvements for the Harvey Mitigation Grant with the General Land Office Contract # 22-085-054-D311-02 as recommended by Engineer James Weishuhn, to Boettcher Hlavinka Construction (BHC) for Storm Sewer Improvements. Motion passed unanimously.

d. **Resolution No. 2024-07**, Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by David Marek to approve Resolution No. 2024-07, affirming review of the Comprehensive Plan, Contract#CPC21-0544 and its suitability to guide future policy decisions. Motion passed Unanimously.

e. Presentation of TDA Form 1024 CDBG Section 3 Goals and Concepts as related to the CDBG Program Grant #CDV21-0120.

f. **Signature Cards for First National Bank** - Motion made by Councilmember Deborah Boren, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to approve removing out going Councilmembers James King and Joell Prado from the signature cards at First National Bank and adding newly elected members Jimmy Lavergne and David Marek. Motion passed unanimously.

g. **Road Closure** -Motion made by Councilmember Deborah Boren, second by Belinda Halfin to approve the road closure at 1st Street for the celebration of the first-year anniversary of Brandt 1910 and Marini's Empanada House from 6PM till midnight on July 19, 2024. Motion passed unanimously.

h. **Rebuilding Chlorine Room at Well #2** - Motion made by Councilmember Deborah Boren, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to approve rebuilding the Chlorine Room at Well #2 per TCEQ requirements. Motion passed unanimously.

i. Solid Waste Disposal Rates - Motion made by Councilmember Jimmy Lavergne, second by Councilmember David Marek to approve rates for solid waste removal as follows: Residential, \$21.70, Senior- \$15.34, Commercial w/95 gal can \$34.10, Commercial Dumpster 5% above city cost by Texas Pride Disposal. Motion passed unanimously.

j. Presentation from Strand Associates by Mark Rudoph on benefits of infrastructure planning.
No action

k. **Agenda Request** – Karen Maresh spoke to council about mobile spay/neuter proposal. Councilmember Debroya Boren will be contact person for Ms. Maresh to reach out to.
No action.

l. EDC Updates

1. **EDC Board** - Motion made by Councilmember Deborah Boren, second by Clark Main Jr. to approve Lesley Fashner as a new WEDC Board Member and confirm the board. Motion passed unanimously.

2. **Mowing EDC Property** – EDC has hired an individual to mow EDC Property. No action

3. **Commencement date of the DT Revitalization grant and request for some work to be done outside of the construction ordinance time.** Motion by Councilmember Deborah Boren, second by Councilmember Clark Main, Jr. to give a variance for noise ordinance during the Concrete pouring on the Downtown Project, with option to resend if there are a lot of complaints.
Motion passed unanimously.

4. **Dirt being excavated from ditches during grant work be moved to parking lot on Gresham & 1st Street** - No action

5. **WEDC re-doing the business ahead signs** – No action

6. **Design and funding for completing the refinishing of 1st Street and Parking all the way to Gresham Street.** Motion by Councilmember Clark Main Jr., second by Councilmember Deborah Boren to allow EDC to move forward with gathering data for this project. Motion passed unanimously.

m. **Early Closure of City Hall** – Motion made by Councilmember Belinda Halfin, second by Councilmember David Marek to close City Hall at noon on July 3rd to prepare for Independence Day Celebration at Mynarik Park. Motion passed unanimously.

n. **Proposals for Shredding/Maintaining outside acreage at Mynarik Park** – Received three proposals, Mr. Alfred, Greg Macha, and Travis Glover. Motion made by Councilmember, second by Councilmember Clark Main Jr. to accept Greg Macha's proposal for period of one (1) year

with an option to extend for two (2) or three (3) additional years at Councils discretion. Motion passed unanimously.

o. Mynarik Park improvements/repairs – No action

p. Resolution No 2024-08, regarding Motor Vehicle Crime Prevention Grant- Motion made by Councilmember Deborah Boren, second by Councilmember Belinda Halfin to approve Resolution No. 2024-08. Motion passed unanimously.

q. Future Agenda Items

Code Enforcement

Savings for Chlorine Room

Mynarik Park – Marketing and Improvements

Ordinances

10. Adjourn Meeting

Mayor Little adjourned the meeting at 9:40pm.



Preston Little, Mayor



Sheila Moseley, City Secretary

ATTEST:

