## Minutes of Regular Meeting Iola Texas Board of Alderman August 09, 2022

The Board of Alderman of the City of Iola, Grimes County, Texas, met in regular session August 09, 2022 at 7:00 p.m. at the Iola Community Center Building in Iola TX. Members present: Mayor Christina Stover, presiding, Alderman present: Curtis Darby, Wayne Cadro, and Becky Evans.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m.

Minutes for the regular meeting held on July 12, 2022 were read for approval. Motion to approve by Becky Evans. Second by Curtis Darby. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business was conducted:

The council discussed taking action on a proposed tax rate of \$0.137072/\$100.00 for tax year 2022. This is the voter approval tax rate. This tax rate included an INS rate on a \$5000.00 debt for the repayment of WWTP low interest loan. Wayne Cadro made a motion to adopt the proposed tax rate with an additional \$1000.00 added into the equation for payment of bank administrative fees. Curtis Darby seconded the motion. A new rate will be proposed and considered for adoption at an emergency meeting in the near future. Motion carries unanimously.

The council set the public hearing date to adopt the tax rate for September 13, 2022. Becky Evans made a motion to accept this date. Curtis Darby seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

The council discussed taking action to adopt a proposed budget for fiscal year October 1, 2022, thru September 30, 2023. Becky Evans made a motion to accept the proposed budget and Curtis Darby seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

The council set a public hearing date of September 13, 2022, to adopt the proposed budget. Curtis Darby made a motion to accept this date. Becky Evans seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

The council discussed a proposed rate increase for City Attorney Bovey and Cochran from \$145.00 per hour to \$165.00 per hour. Curtis Darby made a motion to approve the rate increase. Becky Evans seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

The council discussed approving an updated engagement letter for City Attorney Bovey and Cochran. Becky Evans made a motion to approve. Curtis Darby seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

Steve Duncan with Bleyl Engineering was present at the meeting for the discussion of the WWTP and to update the council and answer questions.

Finance reports were considered for approval. Motion by Curtis Darby to approve as written. Wayne Cadro seconded the motion. Motion carries.

Meeting was adjourned at about 8:15 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by

Donna Ray, Secretary