

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Iola Texas Board of Alderman
January 10, 2023

The Board of Alderman of the City of Iola, Grimes County, Texas, met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. at the Iola Community Center Building in Iola TX on January 10, 2023. Members present: Mayor Christina Stover, presiding, Alderman present: Sammie Echols, Becky Evans, Mark Hooper, and Wayne Cadro.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Minutes for the regular meeting held on December 13, 2022, were read for approval. Motion to approve by Mark Hooper, seconded by Becky Evans. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business was conducted:

The council considered and approved to pay an Invoice for \$1661.10 to the TMLIRP to renew the liability insurance coverage for the City of Iola. Last year's cost was \$1661.10. A motion to approve the renewal and pay the invoice from the TMLIRP to remain as the insurance company for the City of Iola was made by Becky Evans and seconded by Sammie Echols. Motion carries unanimously.

The Election for 2023 is approaching, and it is time for three Alderpersons' positions to come up for re-election: Alderperson Mark Hooper, Alderperson Sammie Echols, and Alderperson Wayne Cadro. No immediate action was needed at this time however, all three candidates gave interest and verbal consideration for applying for re-election when the time arrives.

Mark Hooper made a motion to pay 3 separate invoices totaling \$1000.00 to UMB for escrow agent fees for the TWDB WWTP escrow account. Becky Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The council discussed an updated version of the City of Iola Financial Procedures Plan. Sammie Echols made a motion to approve the update. Mark Hooper seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The council discussed an amount charged by Loftin of \$2,184.00 on an invoice for the repair of the generator. A motion to request a lower amount of \$1600.00 and pay that amount if approved by Loftin was made by Becky Evans and seconded by Sammie Echols. Motion carries unanimously.

The council discussed and considered purchasing fuel and possibly changing the company for the maintenance service agreement on the generator. Motion to approve by Mark Hooper second by Becky Evans. Motion carries unanimously.

Becky Evans made a motion to approve to request approval from TX DOT for the road closure for the annual IVFD Fund raiser on March 17, 2023. Sammie Echols seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Mayor updated the council on the progress of the WWTP. No action is needed at this time.

Finance Reports were considered for approval. Motion by Becky Evans to approve as written, seconded by Wayne Cadro. Motion carried unanimously.

Betty Moore and Roxann Clabaugh were present for the meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at about 8:15.

Respectfully submitted by

_____ Donna Ray, Secretary