

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Iola Texas Board of Alderman
March 12, 2024

The Board of Alderman of the City of Iola, Grimes County, Texas, met in regular session Tuesday March 12, 2024, at 7:00 p.m. at the Iola Community Center Building in Iola TX. Members present: Mayor Christina Stover, presiding, Alderman present: Sammie Echols, Curtis Darby, Ben Landry, and Becky Evans.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Minutes for the regular meeting held on February 13, 2024, were read for approval. Motion to approve by Ben Landry, second by Sammie Echols. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business was conducted:

Curtis Darby made a motion to Proclaim April 2023 National Child Abuse Prevention month in the City of Iola. Becky Evans seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

The Council recognized by certificate Mr. Dennis Harris for his gift of time and effort to make a positive impact on his community and the City Council of the City of Iola.

The council discussed the General Election to be held on May 4, 2024. No candidates were opposed. The Mayor Christina Stover and Alderpersons Curtis Darby and Becky Evans are here-by declared elected. An election will not need to be held. Becky Evans made a motion to cancel the previous ordered General Election seconded by Curtis Darby. Motion carries unanimously.

The council discussed and considered an Interlocal Agreement for Maintenance of Roads, Law Enforcement, 9-1-1 Services, On-Site Sewage Disposal System Installation Inspections and Nuisance Investigations between the City of Iola and Grimes County. Curtis Darby made a motion to Approve to Adopt the Interlocal Agreement with the understanding fees would be charged per address instead of per complaint. Ben Landry seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

Ben Landry made a motion to approve a quote from Grimes County Road and Bridge for chip seal on a portion of CR 108 that is inside the city limits of Iola. Sammie Echols Seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

The council discussed purchasing a Certificate of Deposit (CD) using funds from the City of Iola Sales Tax General Fund Account. Curtis Darby made a motion to request if it's possible to add \$50,000.00 from the City of Iola Sales Tax General Fund account # 2005269 to an existing CD. If it is not possible then to purchase one (1) CD in the amount of \$50,000.00 for one year. Becky Evans seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

The council briefly discussed and requested the mayor to seek legal advice on developing an ordinance prohibiting the new construction of storage buildings inside the city limits of Iola.

The council briefly discussed the progress of the TWDB WWTP project. No action was needed at this time.

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

Meeting was adjourned at about 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by _____ Donna Ray, Secretary