

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Iola Texas Board of Alderman
May 10, 2022

The Board of Alderman of the City of Iola, Grimes County, Texas, met in regular session May 10, 2022 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, Becky Evans, Sierra Betancourt.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Minutes for the meeting held on April 12, 2022 were read for approval. Motion to approve by Sierra Betancourt, second by Becky Evans. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business was conducted:

The Board of Alderman reviewed an invoice due to Texas Municipal League in the amount of \$591 for annual membership to the League, which includes the cost of League services for the period 7/1/2022-6/30/2023. A motion to table the requested payment approval and continue membership in TML was made by Curtis Darby, seconded by Becky Evans. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Aldermen considered to pay an invoice in excess of \$200.00 to Bovey and Cochran, city attorney. Motion to approve by Sierra Betancourt, seconded by Curtis Darby. Motion carried unanimously.

The Board of Alderman discussed the Chief Appraiser's Preliminary Estimate of Taxable Value for Tax year 2022 for the City of Iola. No action is needed at this time.

The Board of Aldermen issued a Proclamation to Ben Trice in Honor of a scholarship he was awarded from the Brazos Valley Arts Council.

The Board of Alderman discussed the Wastewater Treatment Plant Project. No action was needed.

Grimes County Sheriff Don Sowell was present and spoke with the Council regarding health and safety nuisances in the city limits. There was a Q&A session regarding a City Marshall and Municipal Court. No action was taken.

The Board of Alderman discussed the finalization of distribution of the ARP Act funds with the Iola Food Pantry receiving \$5,595.99, \$3000.00 to the Community Center, \$2500.00 to the American Legion, and \$2500.00 to the IVFD. Curtis Darby made a motion to distribute the funds as agreed. Becky Evans seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

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

No citizens were in attendance of this meeting.

Meeting was adjourned at about 8:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by _____ Donna Ray, Secretary