

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Iola Texas Board of Alderman
November 08, 2022

The Board of Alderman of the City of Iola, Grimes County, Texas, met in regular session at 7:00 p.m. in the Iola Volunteer Fire Department Building in Iola TX. Members present: Mayor Christina Stover presiding; Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Darby, Alderman present: Sammie Echols, Wayne Cadro.

The meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. Minutes for the regular meeting held on October 11, 2022, were considered for approval. Motion to approve by Curtis Darby, second by Wayne Cadro. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business was conducted:

The Council discussed the distribution of the funds from the Texas CDBG-MIT Regional Mitigation Program's Method of Distribution Development (CDBG MIT-MOD) Program from the Texas General Land Office (GLO). The City Council will consider funding Mitigation projects for the protection of the city water system through Wickson Creek SUD. Mr. Kent Watson was present and explained what the water system would need and how the city would benefit from contributing. The council asked lots of questions and will have a lot to consider should the city be awarded these funds. No action was needed at this time.

The Council discussed/considered topics regarding closing on round two of the TWDB-CWSRF funding for the WWTP project. No action was taken, and this item will go back on the agenda for the January 10, 2023 meeting.

The Council took action on allocating funds from the American Rescue Plan. Curtis Darby made a motion to allocate the funds equally to the Iola Food Pantry, Iola Community Center, Iola Volunteer Fire Department, and the Iola American Legion Post 146, with 25% going to each of these entities. Second by Sammie Echols. Motion carried unanimously.

The Council discussed the progress of streetlights on Main Street. No action was needed at this time.

The Council discussed the progress of construction regarding the GLO (CDBG-DR) Hurricane Harvey Drainage Improvements Fund. No action was needed at this time.

The Council discussed the Wastewater Treatment Plant project (WWTP). Mr. Steve Duncan with Bleyl Engineering was present and updated the council on the progress of the design and what is being projected for the near future.

Motion to adjourn by Curtis Darby, seconded by Sammie Echols. Meeting adjourned at about 8:30 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by,

Donna Ray, Secretary