

Minutes of Regular Meeting
Iola Texas Board of Alderman
October 11, 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 Community Center Building in Iola TX. Members present: Mayor Christina Stover presiding; Mayor Pro-Tem Curtis Darby, Alderman present: Becky Evans, Sammie Echols, Wayne Cadro, and Mark Hooper.

The meeting was called to order at 7:01 p.m. Minutes for the regular meeting and the two public hearings held on September 13, 2022, and the Special Meeting held on September 26, 2022 were considered for approval. Motion to approve by Curtis Darby with one correction made to the Special Meeting minutes to change the amount of the approved invoice from Waller County Asphalt to \$885.00, second by Sammie Echols. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business was conducted:

The council discussed and considered an approval authorizing Procurement of Administrative (RFP) and Engineering Services (RFQ) for the Community Development Block Grant Regional COG Method of Distribution (CDBG COG MOD) administered through the Texas General Land Office (GLO) for the City of Iola, Grimes County Texas. Becky Evans made a motion to approve, seconded by Curtis Darby. Motion carries unanimously.

The council discussed and considered an approval authorizing the City of Iola/ Grimes County Texas Administrative Services Request for Proposals (RFP) and Engineering Services Requests for Qualifications (RFQ) for the 2023-2024 Texas Community Block Grant Program administered by the Texas Department of Agriculture. Curtis Darby made a motion to approve seconded by Wayne Cadro. Motion carries unanimously.

The Council discussed and considered an invoice for the annual renewal of the City website for \$429.00 to Immense Impact. Becky Evans made a motion to approve. Sammie Echols seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

The council considered contributing funds of \$250.00 to the ICCI for the annual Hay Day Event. Motion to approve made by Sammie Echols, seconded by Wayne Cadro. Motion carries unanimously.

The council considered approval to pay a temporary worker to put up the signs and barricades for the road closure of Main Street for the ICCI Hay Day Event. Motion to approve was made by Sammie Echols seconded by Curtis Darby. Motion carries unanimously.

The council discussed/considered the approval of the 2022-2023 Tax Assessment/Collection Agreement with the Grimes County Appraisal District for the assessment of property inside the city limits, also for the collection of property taxes for those properties. Motion to approve was made by Curtis Darby, seconded by Becky Evans. Motion carries unanimously.

Curtis Darby moved for Approval of the 2023 Tax Roll, seconded by Becky Evans. Motion carries unanimously.

The council discussed the allocation of the second tranche of funds from the American Rescue Plan Act (ARP). The Mayor tabled this item until further notice.

The Mayor updated the council on the work being done for the GLO-Hurricane Harvey DR Project. No action was needed.

The Mayor updated the council on the work being done for the TWDB-WWTP Project. No action was needed.

Finance Reports were studied carefully and considered for approval. A motion to accept as written was made by Curtis Darby seconded by Becky Evans. Motion carries unanimously.

Mr. Michael Sledge with Grantworks was present at the meeting to answer any questions the council may have regarding the upcoming grants that were discussed.

Meeting adjourned at 8:18 P.M.

Respectfully submitted by



Donna Ray, Secretary