

Minutes of Regular Meeting  
Iola Texas Board of Alderman  
September 12, 2023

The Board of Alderman of the City of Iola, Grimes County, Texas, met in regular session at 7:10 p.m. in the Iola American Legion Post 146 Building in Iola TX. Members present: Mayor Christina Stover presiding; Alderman present: Becky Evans, Samantha Echols, and Ben Landry, and Wayne Cadro.

The meeting was called to order at 7:10 p.m. Minutes for the regular meeting held on August 8, 2023 were considered for approval. Motion to approve by Ben Landry and Samantha Echols seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

New Business was conducted:

The Board discussed the Entergy Franchise Tax received in the amount of \$9191.14. No action was needed.

The Board considered/discussed paying an invoice from Bovey and Cochran for more than \$250.00. Becky Evans made a motion to approve to pay seconded by Wayne Cadro Motion carries unanimously.

The Board discussed the request for a four-hour road closure for the annual ICC Hay Day event. Becky Evans made a motion to approve seconded by Sammie Echols. Motion carries unanimously.

Wayne Cadro made a motion to adopt the Resolution Establishing October 5th, 2023 as World Teachers Day. Becky Evans seconded the motion. Motion carries unanimously.

The Board discussed and took action on a request from the IOLA ISD resource officer to designate the streets around the school to be one-way full time. Wayne Cadro made a motion to vote and Ben Landry seconded the motion. Results as follows: 2 ayes and 3 nays. Wayne Cadro and Sammie Echols voted for the change. Becky Evans and Ben Landry voted against the change. Mayor Christina Stover broke the tie with a vote against the change. Request was denied 3-2.

The Board discussed the removal of a tree located in an easement inside the city limits. Becky Evans made a motion for the removal through the interlocal agreement with Grimes County, seconded by Sammie Echols. Motion carries unanimously.

The Board discussed progress on the City of Iola TWDB CWSRF (Wastewater Project). A status update was provided from Bleyl Engineering. No action needed at this time.

Finance Reports and bank statements were considered for approval. Motion to approve as written by Ben Landry, second by Becky Evans. Motion carries unanimously.

Meeting adjourned about 8:30 PM.

Respectfully submitted by     *Donna Ray*     Donna Ray, Secretary