

*Open Forum:
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**CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF EAST TAWAKONI, TEXAS
TUESDAY, MAY 21st, 2019 @ 7:00 pm**

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EAST TAWAKONI CITY COUNCIL ON TUESDAY, MAY 21st, 2019 @ 7:00PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF EAST TAWAKONI, AT WHICH MEETING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF BUSINESS WILL BE CONSIDERED, TO-WIT:

The City Council of the East Tawakoni reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time to discuss any of the matters listed below, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations Regarding Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations Regarding Prospective Gifts), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations Regarding Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development).

MINUTES

Mayor Johnnie LaPrade called the meeting to order at 7pm.

The following council members were present: David Rose, Chris Roberts, Pam Patterson, and Lynn Wallace. Council Members absent: Gary Reeves. Mayor LaPrade stated we have a quorum.

Mayor LaPrade led the pledges to the US and Texas flags.

Mayor-elect Harold Chandler led the invocation.

OLD BUSINESS:

The consent items are considered to be self-explanatory and will be enacted with one motion.

Motion made to accept the consent items in their entirety.

Motion made by: Pam Patterson

Motion seconded by: Lynn Wallace

All in favor: Rose, Roberts, Patterson, Wallace

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Discussion on a new building for the Police Department and City Offices next to the storm shelter was addressed that this should be tabled to the next council meeting after the new mayor and council is seated.

Motion made to table to the next regular council meeting.

Motion made by: Pam Patterson

Motion seconded by: Chris Roberts

All in favor: Rose, Roberts, Patterson, Wallace

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Valerie Cleveland with Cleveland & Petty presented the 2018 City Audit to the Council. Before starting to explain the audit, Ms. Cleveland stated that the City Secretary had proposed new software to her to replace QuickBooks. She then stated she was completely against this when it was first brought to her attention, but after reviewing the program,

she has moved the City of Josephine to this program and it has made a world of difference in the time it takes to complete the accounts payable and receivable tasks for the City. She does highly recommend the City make the change to go to the CenterPoint Fund Accounting and Payroll Software. Ms. Cleveland stated the City received a clean opinion and there were no issues to report. The General budget had a \$44,000 increase and stayed close to budget. The Water/Sewer budget lost \$26,000 which was due to the \$35,000 true up that had to be paid to the City of Emory. Her recommendation was to make sure to put extra money in the budget for the true up in the years when this would be due and payable to the City of Emory. Mayor LaPrade stated that a few years ago, the City of Emory had to pay the City of East Tawakoni for the true up. Ms. Cleveland stated that the City of East Tawakoni received a free and clear on their audit.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION AS NECESSARY

NEW BUSINESS:

Judge Joe Craig administered the Oath of Office to Harold Chandler, Mayor as well as the new City Council. David Rose, Place 1, Julie Evans, Place 2, Chris Roberts, Place 3, Chuck McDermott, Place 4, and Pam Patterson, Place 5.

Mayor Harold Chandler addressed the council and asked if anyone had someone they would like to nominate to be the Mayor-Pro Tem.

Motion made to nominate Chris Roberts as Mayor-Pro Tem.

Motion made by: Pam Patterson

Motion seconded by: David Rose

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott, Patterson

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

No citizens signed up to speak during Open Forum.

Discussion for signatories for the City of East Tawakoni for all checks and legal documents held by the City of East Tawakoni was held by the Council. The City has 15 bank accounts and 2 CD's with Commercial Bank of Texas, NA of Emory. All financial documents must be signed by two signatories.

Motion made for the City of East Tawakoni authorizing the following personnel as signatories. Harold Chandler, Mayor, William C. Roberts, Mayor Pro-Tem, Pam Patterson, Council Member, and Elinka M Harper, City Secretary.

Motion made by: Pam Patterson

Motion seconded by: Chuck McDermott

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott, Patterson

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Motion made for the City of East Tawakoni to add Chief of Police, Steven Prock to the Police Training checking account, the Police Department 1033 checking account, and the Police Department Seizure Fund checking account.

Motion made by: Pam Patterson

Motion seconded by: Chuck McDermott

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott, Patterson

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Mark Wilkinson presented the Water/Sewer report.

Chief Steven Prock presented the Police report.

Jeff Swaggerty presented the Code Enforcement report.

Terri Rose presented the Fire Department report.

Chuck McDermott presented the Economic Development report. EDC in their last meeting elected new officers. Regina Chandler has been elected as the new president for EDC. Mr. McDermott stated that he feels this is the best board they have had in several years and he expects good things coming from them.

Terri Rose presented the Planning and Zoning report. Mrs. Rose stated that the board had met with Juan Serrano who would like to divide a large portion of land along Hwy 276. At this time the property is labeled as agriculture with the Rains County Appraisal District and the City has it zoned as residential. Mrs. Rose would like to ask for this to be placed on the June 2019 agenda to present to the council.

No report given for the Spirit of East Tawakoni.

HL Thomas presented the Library report. The library had 79 visitors in the month of April.

Pam Patterson made the comment that she would like to thank Harold Chandler for stepping up and running for the Mayoral seat for the City. She stated she is looking forward to working with him in the next two years.

Motion made to adjourn the May 21st, 2019 City Council meeting at 7:55pm

Motion made by: David Rose

Motion seconded by: Chris Roberts

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott, Patterson

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

HAROLD CHANDLER, MAYOR

ELINKA M. HARPER, CITY SECRETARY

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the preceding Notice of the Regular Meeting, City Council of East Tawakoni with scheduled Agenda is a true and correct copy of said notice; and that same Notice and Agenda was posted May 17th, 2019 @ 5pm in the glass notice case outside of City Hall which is convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of meeting.

ELINKA M. HARPER, CITY SECRETARY