

COLFAX CITY COUNCIL
March 21, 2022

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Retzer called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

ROLL CALL:

Golden, McRae, Schaefer, Mackleit, Guenthner, Kackman and Huntwork: Present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

A motion was entered by Golden, seconded by McRae to approve the minutes from the March 7, 2022 Council meeting. Roll Call: All Yes.

GOOD OF THE CITY:

Ann Sharley, from Architectural History & Archaeology! LLC (AHA!), was in town working on the Historic Property Survey of the South Mill Street District. The City of Colfax and the Colfax Historic Commission received a grant for this Historic Property Inventory.

BILLS AND CLAIMS:

A motion was entered by Mackleit, seconded by Kackman to approve all bills and claims as presented. Roll Call: All Yes.

CLAIMS	PAYROLL
7409-7430 & EFT	7402-7408 & EFT (7401-Void)
\$95,438.49	\$55,290.05

GRAND TOTAL: \$150,728.54

DEPARTMENT REPORTS:

Public Works:

Public Works Director Matt Hammer reported they will be opening bids on Wednesday for the Clay Street Well Replacement.

We also have a new vendor for the McDonald Park Concessions this year, it will be 165 Brew. Hammer stated they will start working on our Water Master Plan. They are still ongoing with the infiltration and inflow survey for the wastewater.

The crews are also busy reading water meters for the first time this year.

Golden asked how the testing is going for the new smart meters that have been installed.

Hammer stated we have a few installed but software is not up and going for the leak detection part quite yet.

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Police:

Police Chief Bruce Blood reported all the vehicles are running good.

The department just received a shipment of practice ammo, their supply was very low. This will allow the officers to get back out on the range for gun qualifications.

Fire:

Fire Chief Michael Chapman reported they are still waiting on parts for Brush 1 repairs.

Chapman also reported City Firefighter Dean Walker just passed the Fire Inspector Course and passed the national as well. Chapman stated that is not an easy course to pass.

Administration:

City Administrator Chris Mathis reported she is gearing up for the annual report. This year we will also have an MPD Audit.

Mathis applied and received a scholarship from AWC for a 2 hour time slot with a CPA on the appropriate spending of the American Rescue Plan Act.

Kackman stated the MPD audit should be fairly simple as it would be money in and then transferred to city, which then becomes part of the city audit.

Mathis agreed it will be a fairly simple audit, all the pages of the notes are still required and those need to be all entered correctly.

Kackman pointed out ARPA funds can be used for water and wastewater improvements.

Mathis stated we will use some of the funds for the Clay Street Well and we can also use it for anything that mitigates COVID, such as updates to our park restrooms.

COMMITTEE/BOARD/COMMISSION REPORTS:

Park Board:

Golden reported the Park Board met tonight, the city is preparing to apply for grant money for pool renovations. Currently the mechanical room is getting overhauled at the pool, this is funded through a grant as well. The pool will open the last day of school and the fees will remain the same as last year.

The Park Board was also given the Greenway update that the council received last meeting.

ADJOURNMENT:

Mayor Retzer adjourned the meeting at 7:17 p.m.



Jim Retzer, Mayor



Lynda Kramlich, City Clerk