

**DALHART CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
MONDAY, APRIL 10, 2023**

The Dalhart City Council met in regular session in Council Chambers on Monday, April 10, 2023, at 6:00 p.m. Justin Moore Mayor, called the meeting to order. A quorum was present. Parker Noel led the prayer, and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited to the United States and Texas Flags. Members present were:

Justin Moore, Mayor

Absent:

Dwayne Smith	Bryan Brewer
Ginger Cleavinger	Ian Van Den Heever
Sherrie Haschke	Franky Scott
Michele Griffin	Parker Noel

Stacey Norris, City Manager
Wendy Kleynhans, City Secretary
Greg Oelke, City Attorney

Bryan Brewer made a motion to approve the consent agenda consisting of minutes of the previous Regular Meeting on March 27, 2023. The motion also included the approval of the March Financial Report, March Tax Report, and March bills in the amount of \$524,461.75. Those bills over \$3,000.00 were: Xcel Energy \$43,337.08; Xcel Energy \$10,154.42; Texas Municipal League \$49,030.57; Toot N Totum \$12,425.34; Hibon Inc. \$6,939.50; Hi-Plains Civil Engineers \$54,352.50; Lang Electric \$7,583.74; Paradigm Technologies \$7,437.00; A&A Electric Motor Service \$4,443.50; Parkhill Smith & Cooper \$15,554.75; Aquatic Technology Inc. \$27,499.31; Hartley County Appraisal District \$9,106.14; City of Dalhart 2020 March Transfer \$6,562.00; City of Dalhart 2021 March Transfer \$10,588.00; Western Industrial Supply \$13,238.17; AEG Petroleum LLC \$6,741.54; Department of State Health Services \$3,307.00; Law Offices of Greg Oelke \$3,760.00; Western Industrial Supply \$3,060.36; Mid-American Research Chemical \$11,295.07; Playgrounds Etc. LLC. \$23,289.00; ESO Solutions \$3,332.05; Handy Trades LLC \$4,950.00; Hart Chevrolet \$41,834.69; Texas Municipal Retirement \$33,937.38. Ian Van Den Heever seconded the motion and the same carried unanimously.

James Stroud was present for public comment stating that the way the ERC has gone about is wrong. At his retirement there were plans in place to complete this project and it should already be completed. Karl Woods came to council regarding the borrowing of funds for the Emergency Response Center. He stated that he was a part of a petition driving committee. Scott White came and wanted to clarify the area covered by this Fire Department and who pays for the expenses of this Fire Department. His evidence showed that the City is not the only entity that pays for the services of our Volunteer Fire Department. Hartley County and Dallam County also pay for the fire coverage. Mario Garcia, Fire Chief came forward to discuss the maintenance of the old buildings that currently house the first responders. He stated that five (5) months ago the Fire Department started a capital campaign, and it is still open for donations.

Mayor Moore presented Brandon Armstrong, George Turner, Erica Trevino, and Carlos Sanchez with years of service certificates.

Sherri Haschke made a motion to adopt **Resolution 2023-13** authorizing the submission of a Texas Community Development block Grant Application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for the 2023 Downtown Revitalization Program Cycle. Ian Van Den Heever seconded the motion and the same carried unanimously.

Bryan Brewer made a motion to approve the Citizen Request to turn the City Red for Fallen Firefighters. Sherri Haschke seconded the motion and the same carried unanimously.

Discussion was held on the update on Citizen request for a Traffic Study of Texas Blvd. City Manager Stacey Norris informed council that a request has been submitted to TxDOT and we are on the list for a review.

City Manager, Stacey Norris, provided a recent update on the Transfer Station.

Mayor Moore informed Council and attendees of the meeting that a petition had been filed against the issuance of the Certificates of Obligation. After review of the petition by the City Secretary, it was found that the petition was invalid due to missing information required by the Texas Local Government Code chapter 277.002. The required information missing was the date of signing, and the date of birth or voter registration ID number for the signer. Dwayne Smith made a motion to adopt **Ordinance 2023-04** authorizing the issuance and sale of the City of Dalhart, Texas Combination Tax and Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2023; levying an annual ad valorem tax and providing for the security for and payment of said Certificates; and ordaining other matters relating to the subject. Sherri Haschke seconded the motion and the same carried unanimously.

For the discussion of future agenda items, Councilman Dwayne Smith wanted to add a discussion for a committee for Light up Dalhart. Franchise agreements for West Texas Gas and Atmos will be added as well along with a review of the Animal Ordinances.

Comments from City Manager and Department Heads: Stacey informed council of the Business breakfast. Mario Garcia, Fire Chief wanted to thank everyone for their time spent to get the Emergency Response Center where it is today.

There being no further business, Sherri Haschke made a motion to adjourn. Bryan Brewer seconded the motion and the same carried unanimously.

APPROVED:

ATTEST:

Justin Moore, Mayor

Wendy Kleynhans, City Secretary