

The regular monthly meeting of the Big Flat city Council was called to order by Glenda Wiseman, Mayor. Council Members present: Lonnie Holt, Sharon White, Kim Shelton, & Bonnie Sutterfield. Absent: Shawn Shelton.

Others present: Bobby Wallis, Fire Chief, T.J. Woodbury, Asst. Fire Chief, Jeff McCoy, & Bobby Nash

The June Minutes & Bank Reconciliations for General Fund, Building Fund, Street Fund, Fire Fund, & 50/50 Grant Fund were read. ARPA Fund remains unchanged.

Water Dept. Report: Rich Hiter, Water Operator, reported water loss at 18%. for last month. During latest hot spell with increased energy usage, pump kicked out once. Purchased water from Fifty-Six one time in the amount of 140,912 gallons. Water Project: Extension received on signing paperwork & receiving actual funding. Looking at November – December start date.

Fire Report: Bobby & T.J. continue researching for possible purchase of Pumper Truck. Several prospects found but more information is needed. Reported 2 runs.

Motion by Bonnie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sharon to accept minutes & reports as read. All Voted – passed.

As A/C in City Hall is no longer efficient & making noises, new unit has become necessary. Mike reported on Mini-Split purchase options with motion by Kim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lonnie to purchase a GE mini-split unit from Alcorn Heating & Cooling for \$3,680.00 All Voted – passed.

Mike received bids for pre-pay propane from Anderson's, Izard County, & Stone Co. Propane. Motion by Bonnie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sharon to purchase from Stone Co. Propane as follows: \$600 for the City & \$500 for the Fire Dept for a total of \$1,100.00. All Voted - passed.

Report on increase in premiums for Property Insurance. Invoice for remainder owed to the end of year. received & paid. Discussed this increase during the review of the Amended Budgets with consideration of deleting coverage on some buildings, however, opted to leave that option on the table for now.

Amended budgets for all funds were given to each member to look over for next meeting at which time, if needed, further discussion will take place & voted will be taken.

Noted that City Audit continues with some helpful suggestions being made. Should be finished by next meeting.

Report given re purchasing the City's own website domain. Will check on possible domain names for next month's meeting.

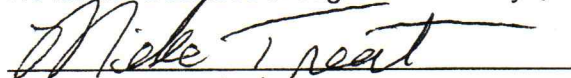
Report of good turnout for Fireworks on the Fourth.

Update on Renovation of Community Center: A suggestion of looking into painting the floor instead of laying vinyl was made. Mike will check with Charles re this possibility.

Glenda shared that Keith Campbell, a professor of Grant Writing who has retired has offered to write grants at no charge for Big Flat. Is starting on getting estimate of cost to replace windows on east side of gym.

Noted that filing dates for November 5 election for all Council Seats & Recorder/Treasurer begin at noon, July 31 till noon, August 7. Petitions were handed out.

No further business brought a motion by Lonnie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Kim to adjourn. All Voted – passed.

  
Mike Treat, Recorder/Treasurer