

MINUTES – September 12, 2024

The regular monthly meeting of the Big Flat City Council was called to order by Glenda Wiseman, Mayor.

Council Members Present: Kim Shelton, Lonnie Hold, Bonnie Sutterfield, Sharon White & Shawn Shelton.

No Guests:

Reading of the August Minutes & Bank Reconciliations for General Fund, Building Fund, Street Fund, Fire Fund, 50/50 Grant Fund & ARPA Fund were read by Mike Treat, Recorder/Treasurer.

Water Dept. Report: Rich Hiter, Water Operator read Bank Reconciliations & reported a total of 118,840 gallons of water was required for the month of August from Fifty-Six at a cost of \$356.52. One leak was reported & repaired. Water Project continues to move forward.

Fire Dept. Report: Bobby Wallis, Fire Chief reported one run to assist for month. Application to Forestry had been turned in & measurements were being made to get pump installed on Tanker. Has looked at several trucks on line and found a new truck which council discussed & requested Bobby get more information.

Motion by Sharon, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shawn to accept Minutes & Reports as read. All Voted – passed

At Baxter Co. Judge's request a motion was made by Kim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lonnie to retain the millage for 2024 Taxes at 3.5. All Voted – passed.

The question re Property Insurance for city buildings was again discussed with decision & motion by Bonnie, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shawn to exclude the High School from the policy for this term due to drastic increase in premiums & deductible, opting to add in the future. All Voted – passed

Mike reported that one unit of the A/C for Community Center continually caused breaker to shut off. Reached out to Allcorn Electric to find cause being told unit condenser needed to be replaced at a cost of \$5,774.00 plus tax. Notified Council of same w/request to have estimates for Mini-Splits installed for this meeting. (See attached for estimates) After discussion, motion made by Kim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Sharon to opt for Integrity Heating & Air Conditioning Solutions LLC to install Daikin Entra 24K BTU Mini-splits installed in the Community Center at a cost of \$5,856.00. All Voted – passed.

Discussed Greg Powell's inquiry to purchase parking lot property which includes building next to City Hall. Council requested Glenda to offer a Special Meeting to meet with Mr. Powell requesting to give in writing several times & dates he would be available & Council would find one when all members could meet with him. Also, requested he bring any offer(s) etc. to meeting.

Motion by Sharon, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lonnie to adopt Resolution 91224 allowing a nomination of the Big Flat Domino Shed to be placed on the National Register of Historic Places by the National Register & Survey Coordinator & deputy State Historic Preservation Officer (Ralph Willcox) in 2025. All Voted – passed.

Noted Website Domain for City has been purchased – Website Address is [cityofbigflatar.com](http://cityofbigflatar.com).

The auditor for the 2022-23 City Audit came to finish the on-site part of the audit with Recorder/Treasurer & Mayor signing off on the only finding. The Council received copies of the Audit which they reviewed & noted that finding has been addressed & corrected.

An estimate was given by Charles Hafner to add a roof over the new porch on the front of the Community which was not included in the Rural Community Grant/ARPA request. Council believes this would be wise to better protect the front entry from the weather. A motion by Kim, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Shawn to contract with Charles Hafner for \$3,500.00 which includes labor & material to build roof over front porch of Community Center. All Voted – passed.

Motion by Shawn, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Lonnie to adjourn. All Voted – adjourned

  
Mike Treat, Recorder/Treasurer