

February 7, 2023

A regular meeting of the City Council was held on Tuesday, February 7, 2023, at 6:30 p.m., with Mayor Kerry Symons presiding. Mayor Symons gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance was recited. Mayor Symons welcomed guests.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Kerry Symons, Councilmembers Greg Good, Marcia Hale, J Aston, and Brad Kile

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT: Councilmember Shae Cunningham

OTHERS PRESENT: Landis, Fowler, Blasingame, Knapp, Waters, John Merriss, and Mary Dudley

COUNCIL ITEMS: Landis informed Council that Xcel Energy will be filing a rate case on Wednesday, February 8, 2023.

SUPPLEMENTAL ITEMS: None

CONSIDER APPROVING MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING: COUNCILWOMAN MARCIA HALE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF JANUARY 17, 2023, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN J ASTON. ALL VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.

CONSIDER PAYING BILLS OF THE PREVIOUS MONTH: Landis informed Council that the first set of regular bills will be sent on Wednesday, February 8, 2023. Knapp presented a construction estimate in the amount of \$50,227.47 from Hi-Plains Civil Engineers for border station #3. COUNCILMAN J ASTON MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE CONSTRUCTION ESTIMATE TO HI-PLAINS CIVIL ENGINEERS FOR \$50,227.47, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN BRAD KILE. ALL VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.

PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL OUTSIDE AUDIT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2021-2022 BY DOSHIER, PICKENS & FRANCIS, LLC: John Merriss, of Doshier, Pickens, & Francis, LLC was in attendance to make the presentation of the Annual Financial Audit for fiscal year ending September 30, 2022.

CONSIDER PASSING RESOLUTION # 415-23, CALLING FOR THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON MAY 6, 2023: Fowler informed Council that the terms of Councilwoman Marcia Hale, Councilman Shae Cunningham, and Councilman Brad Kile are to expire this year. Filing period for a place on the ballot is January 18, 2023 through February 17, 2023 from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Attached to Resolution #415-23 is the Joint Election Agreement between the City and Perryton ISD, stating that the elections will be conducted on May 6, 2023. Regardless if either cancels their election, the other election will still take place at City Hall. COUNCILWOMAN MARCIA HALE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE RESOLUTION #415-23, CALLING THE GENERAL ELECTION TO BE ON MAY 6, 2023, SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN J ASTON. ALL VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.

RESOLUTION #415-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF PERRYTON, TEXAS, ORDERING A GENERAL ELECTION TO BE HELD ON THE 6TH DAY OF MAY, 2023; DESIGNATING THE POLLING PLACE AND APPOINTING ELECTION OFFICIALS FOR SUCH ELECTION; DIRECTING THE GIVING OF NOTICE OF SUCH ELECTION; AND PROVIDING DETAILS RELATING TO THE HOLDING OF SUCH ELECTION.

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF PERRYTON, TEXAS:

WHEREAS, it is hereby ordered that a General Election be held in the City of Perryton, Texas on the first Saturday in May (May 6th), 2023, whereby the following officers shall be elected by the qualified voters for the City: Three (3) Councilmembers; and that all independent candidates at the election to be held on the first Saturday in May 2023, for the above mentioned offices, file their application to become candidates with the City Secretary of the City at City Hall, between the hours of 9:00 am and 5:00 pm, Monday through Friday, beginning on Wednesday, January 18, 2023, and ending at 5:00 pm on Friday, February 17, 2023.

WHEREAS, the City of Perryton will hold their election jointly with the Perryton Independent School District, and such agreements are attached to this resolution as Exhibit A.

WHEREAS, the present boundaries of the City constitute one election precinct, the polls shall be open for voting from 7:00 am until 7:00 pm at City Hall, 110 S Ash, Perryton, TX 79070; an appointed Presiding Judge will conduct the election at said voting place; and Presiding Judge shall appoint necessary clerks to assist with the election which shall not exceed three (3) clerks; said election officers shall also serve as the Early Voting Ballot Board for such election.

WHEREAS, the City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to provide a copy of the Resolution to the Judge as written notice of their appointment as required by Section 32.009 of the Texas Election Code. The Election Judge shall be compensated at an hourly rate of \$12.00 per hour plus \$25.00, the Alternate Judge shall be compensated at \$10.00 per hour plus \$10, and clerks compensated at \$8.00 per hour as provided by Title 3, Section 32.091(a) of the State Election Code.

WHEREAS, Kim Fowler, City Secretary, is hereby appointed clerk for early voting; the appointment of a deputy clerk or clerks for early voting by the City Secretary shall be in accordance with Section 83.001 et. seq. of the Texas Election Code. Early voting for the above designated election shall be at the City Hall, 110 S Ash, for the following periods: April 24 – April 28, 2023 from 8 am to 5 pm and May 1 – May 2, 2023 from 8 am to 5 pm.

WHEREAS, all ballots shall be prepared in accordance with Texas Election Code. Paper ballots shall be used for early voting by mail, early voting by personal appearance and voting on Election Day. Paper ballots are used as part of the AutoMark Voting System as approved by the Secretary of State. All expenditures necessary for the conduct of the election, the purchase of materials therefore, and the employment of all election officials is hereby authorized. The City Secretary is hereby authorized and directed to furnish all necessary election supplies to conduct such election.

WHEREAS, notice of this election shall be given in accordance with the provisions of the Texas Election Code and returns of such notice shall be made as provided for in said Code. The Mayor shall issue all necessary orders and writs for such election, and returns of such election shall be made to the City Secretary after the closing of the polls.

WHEREAS, said election shall be held in accordance with the Texas Election Code and the Federal Voting Rights Act of 1965, as amended.

PASSED AND APPROVED this the 7th day of February, 2023.

ATTEST:

/s/ Kerry Symons /s/

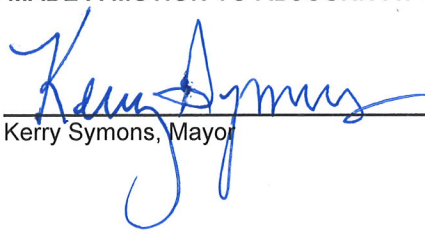
Kerry Symons, Mayor

/s/ Kim Fowler /s/

Kim Fowler, City Secretary

CONSIDER AWARDING BID FOR THE CONSTRUCTION OF A NEW GAS TOWN BORDER STATION: Knapp informed Council that one bid was received for the construction of a new gas town border station and that it didn't meet the requirements. **COUNCILMAN GREG GOOD MADE A MOTION TO REJECT BID FOR CONSTRUCTION OF NEW GAS TOWN BORDER STATION, SECONDED BY COUNCILWOMAN MARCIA HALE. ALL VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.**

There being no further business, COUNCILWOMAN MARCIA HALE MADE A MOTION TO ADJOURN AT 7:00 P.M., SECONDED BY COUNCILMAN J ASTON. ALL VOTED AYE, MOTION CARRIED.


Kerry Symons, Mayor

ATTEST:


Kim Fowler, City Secretary