

CITY OF DIMMITT
Regular Meeting
December 18, 2023

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Castro County
Dimmitt, TX

The City of Dimmitt Council members met in a regular session in the Council Chambers at City Hall as scheduled and posted 72 hours before the meeting.

Mayor-----Scott Sheffy
Mayor Pro-Tem----- Steve Buckley
Council member-----Gloria Hernandez
Council member-----John Nino (absent)
Council member-----Chad Okamoto
Council member-----Sergio Navarro
Council member-----Janie Bugarin
Council member-----Dewayne Espinosa
City Attorney----- Underwood Law Firm(absent)
City Manager----- Daniel Jackson
City Secretary----- Elaine Kern

- Item No.1. Call meeting to order.
Mayor Scott Sheffy called the meeting of December 18, 2023 to order at 6:30 p.m.
- Item No.2. Consider and approve the minutes from November 20, 2023 regular meeting.
Mayor Scott Sheffy indicated that the council members had previously received and reviewed the minutes from November 20,2023 regular meeting. Council member Gloria Hernandez made a motion to approve the minutes. Council member Sergio Navarro seconded. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.
- Item No.3. Hear public comments.
No public comments.
- Item No.4. Second reading of an ordinance of the City of Dimmitt, Texas, granting to Atmos Energy Corporation (A Texas and Virginia Corporation, with its principal office in the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas) the franchise and rights to conduct in such city the business of acquiring, maintaining, constructing, laying, repairing, removing, replacing, installing, operating, and disposing of a gas system for the sale, transportation, and distribution of natural gas within the municipal boundaries of the city and to the residents and businesses located therein for light, heat, power, and any other purposes and the right to use the present and future streets, roads, highways, alleys, public ways, and real property in such city and owned or controlled by such city for such purposes; Prescribing the terms and conditions to which such franchise and rights are subject; and prescribing the term of such franchise and rights.
Mayor Scott Sheffy conducted the second reading of the ordinance. No amendments or public comments.
- Item No.5. Discuss/consider action on the ordinance of City of Dimmitt, Texas, granting to Atmos Energy Corporation (A Texas and Virginia Corporation, with its principal office in the City of Dallas, Dallas County, Texas) the franchise and rights to conduct in such city the business of acquiring, maintaining, constructing, laying, repairing, removing, replacing, installing, operating, and disposing of a gas system for the sale, transportation, and distribution of natural gas within the municipal boundaries of the city and to the residents and businesses located therein for light, heat, power, and any other purposes and the right to use the present and future streets, roads, highways, alleys, public ways, and real property in such city and owned or controlled by such city for such purposes; Prescribing the terms and conditions to which such franchise and rights are subject; and prescribing the term of such franchise and rights.
After brief discussion, Mayor Scott Sheffy said he would entertain a motion to approve the proposed ordinance. Council member Steve Buckley made a motion to approve the ordinance. Council Member Chad Okamoto seconded. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.
- Item No.6. Discuss and consider action on bids received for the 2004 Sterling Garbage truck L7500.
Only one bid was submitted for the garbage truck. The sealed bid was opened and the bidder was Ivins Enterprises from Plainview, Texas. The bid was for \$20,000.00.

Council member Sergio Navarro made a motion to approve the submitted bid. Council member Chad Okamoto seconded. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

- Item No.7. Discuss and consider action to approve the purchase of a 2024 Case backhoe. City Manager Daniel Jackson spoke with the council about the proposed purchase. Mr. Jackson stated we attempt to trade in our backhoes every five years. Mr. Jackson said we are a little behind because we should have traded in back in 2021. Mr. Jackson submitted a proposal for council's consideration from ASCO Equipment for a 2024 Case 580SN Backhoe. This purchase would be through Buyboard, which means this has already been through the procurement process. The proposal breakdown is as follows:

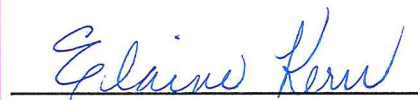
- NEW 580 SN Backhoe - \$176,000.00
- Buyboard Purchase Discount - \$44,000.00
- City's cost to purchase Backhoe - \$132,000.00

City Manager Daniel Jackson said the funds received from the sold garbage truck (\$20,000.00) as well funds received from the bid sale of our 2011 John Deere backhoe, would be used to help offset the cost. Mr. Jackson said he felt the trade in amount offered for the 2011 John Deere backhoe was not sufficient. Mr. Jackson also said that the funds for this purchase were budgeted under Sewer Department Capital Outlay. Council member Chad Okamoto made a motion to approve the purchase. Council member Dewayne Espinosa seconded. The motion was voted on and passed unanimously.

- Item No.8. City Manager's Report.
City Manager Daniel Jackson reported that the notice of deadline to file for a place on the ballot was posted on our front doors and on the city website. Applications will be received from January 17, 2024 through February 16, 2024. Mr. Jackson also reported that the City had three of the five lift stations go down during the Thanksgiving holiday. The pump at the Cleveland lift station and the pump at the Western Circle lift station are needing to be replaced. Total cost was \$25,000.00 for the repairs. Mr. Jackson said that funds from the Sewer Maintenance Fund would be used. Mr. Jackson also reported that we had a successful water system inspection from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, as well as a successful chemical inspection from Texas Department of State Health Services. Mr. Jackson also reported that Police Chief Martinez had selected Eric Enriquez as candidate for the Tuition Assistance Program. He is currently working through the Police Academy application process. Mr. Jackson also reported that Fire Chief Lane was looking into a possible location of a new fire station.

- Item No.9. Adjourn.
Mayor Scott Sheffy adjourned the meeting at 7:04 p.m.


Mayor Scott Sheffy


City Secretary Elaine Kern