

MINUTES

**CITY OF WARR ACRES
EMERGENCY CITY COUNCIL MEETING
FRIDAY
DECEMBER 6, 2024
10:00 A.M.**

1. The meeting was called to Order at 10:00 a.m. Declaration of a quorum present was given.

ROLL CALL

Present

Mayor Roger Godwin
Vice-Mayor Vickie Douglas
Councilman Jon Evans
Councilman Scott Tribbey
Councilman Jim Von Thaer
Councilwoman Aida Al-Mosawy
Councilman Randy Prince

Absent

Councilwoman Judy Myers
Councilwoman Deborah Morris

2. Discussion and possible action to the declare an emergency exists for purposes of the Open Meeting Act including identifying the nature of the emergency.

Attorney Love stated that we needed to have in the minutes a brief explanation as to what had taken place to require this emergency meeting. PWD Turman explained to the council that he had received some phone calls that they could hear water running out by the utility pole. They went out and sure enough you could see a void in there and you could smell the hydrogen sulfide and hear the water running. They called OG&E and they came out yesterday and removed the pole. He had given them a handout with pictures and he referred to page one as what it looked like with the pole there leaning and sinking and pages six and seven after the pole was removed and its current condition. It is about the size of four couches and about 8 feet deep. It appears that the top of the pipe is completely missing a section about three to four feet. The flow is where Bethany and Warr Acres combine and is about three million gallons a day which calculates to one hundred and twenty-five thousand an hour. Fortunately, it is in the pipe or DEQ would be making us pump around which is very expensive. We've got damage to property. Attorney Love stated that we have a damaged line, damage to property and potentially more damage. PWD Turman stated that if someone fell in it would be their last move. Attorney Love wanted to confirm that this is not something that can wait and under state law an emergency exist due to damage to public and private property and the timing requirements for complying with the act to give advanced notice would be impactable and increase the

likelihood of injury to person or property so it is his opinion that the statutory requirement for holding this meeting is met. So he asked the council to vote on declaring the emergency.

Motion by Von Thaer, second by Al-Mosawy to declare an emergency. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Tribbey, yea; Evans, yea; Al-Mosawy, yea; Douglas, yea; Prince, yea; and Godwin, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

3. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Public Works Director to expend funds as he deems necessary to respond to the collapse of the City Sewer main in or near the 7200 block of Shoreline Drive including, but not limited to, implementing bypass pumping, obtaining video inspection of the line, purchasing supplies needed to secure the site, and/or hiring a contractor to perform any and all such necessary actions.

Items 3 and 5 were heard and voted on together.

4. Discussion and possible action to declare that an emergency exists for the purposes of the Oklahoma Public Competitive Bidding Act.

Motion by Evans, second by Douglas to declare that an emergency exist to waive the competitive bidding. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Tribbey, yea; Evans, yea; Al-Mosawy, yea; Douglas, yea; Prince, yea; and Godwin, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

5. Discussion and possible action to authorize the Public Works Director to enter into a contact with Krapff Reynolds or Urban Contractors to repair and/or replace the damaged City Sewer main in or near the 7200 block of Shoreline Drive.

Clerk/Treasurer Ramirez stated that the funds would come from the Sewer Line Maintenance fund. Attorney Love stated that not knowing exactly what all work was going to be needed he wording the item to include many things. Councilman Tribbey asked if this area had been videoed by SRB. PWD Turman stated that this area was not that the camera got hung up in the line prior to reaching this location. Marc told the council that since this is just a repair they cannot upgrade the pipe to a 27 inch at this time.

Motion by Evans, second by Al-Mosawy to pursue a contractor that can perform the necessary work to temporarily bypass the wastewater as needed and to excavate to identify what repairs need to be made and to affect the repairs one contract. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Tribbey, yea; Evans, yea; Al-Mosawy, yea; Douglas, yea; Prince, yea; and Godwin, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

6. Discussion and possible action on approval to pay as soon as the work is done.

Attorney Love stated that this item was on here due to another job that the payment has been delayed and Pam wants to make sure the vendor does not have to wait a long time to get paid.

Motion by Evans, second by Douglas to approve the payment as soon as the work is completed. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Tribbey, yea; Evans, yea; Al-Mosawy, yea; Douglas, yea; Prince, yea; and Godwin, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

7. Adjournment.

Motion by Von Thaer, second by Prince to adjourn. Poll vote: Von Thaer, yea; Tribbey, yea; Evans, yea; Al-Mosawy, yea; Douglas, yea; Prince, yea; and Godwin, yea.

Motion Passed Unanimously.

The meeting was adjourned at 10:30 a.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Pamela McDowell-Ramirez
City Clerk/Treasurer