HASKELL CITY COUNCIL MINUTES

October 24, 2024

A Special meeting of the Haskell City Council was held at 7:00 p.m. at the Haskell City Hall on Thursday October 24, 2024.

Mayor Clyde Crookham Jr. called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

Mayor Clyde Crookham Jr. led the Pledge of Allegiance; prayer was given by Jeff Harrison

ROLL CALL: Council Members present were, Dallas Wright, Jeff Harrison, Kaylee Breckling, Mike Krebs, Greg Rogers, Micheal Baker, and Brad Cotten.

Members not present: Adam Ricketts

Mayor Crookham declared a quorum present. (7/8)

Others in attendance: Mayor Clyde Crookham Jr., Clerk/Recorder/Treasurer Jennifer Hill, and Public Works Director Nancy Duren

Public in attendance: No public in attendance

NEW BUSINESS:

1. **Resolution 22-2024. A Resolution authorizing the transfer of monies from the CIF-Sewer fund in the amount of $300,000.00 for funding of portions of the Sanitary Sewer Evaluation Study.**
   - Mayor Clyde Crookham explained that a loan with the bank is not in the best interest of the City as they would have put our money in a CD with interest and that the CIF-Sewer fund has the ability to fund a portion of the SSES.
   - Jeff Harrison made the motion to not pass Resolution 22-2024 and dissolve the contract with Halff engineering. Kaylee Breckling seconded the motion. The motion failed with 3 yay votes and 4 nay votes.
   - A discussion was held with Jeff Harrison inquiring regarding the city employees to perform the smoke testing and such to save money. He states that the city could hire two employees to do nothing but these tests and repairs and we would save money. He explained his concern for the homeowner's responsibility for their service lines if they need to be repaired and the possibility of having to spend more money to re-smoke test for repairs to be done.
   - Mayor Crookham explained that the City's sewer system has been under a Consent Action Order from ADEQ since 2017 and repairs need to be made in order for the City to continue ownership of the sewer plants.

- Greg Rogers explained his concern regarding the bank not helping us more on getting a loan and cost of the study. He also expressed his concern for the repealing of Resolution 20-2024 with this new Resolution. That statement will be added to Resolution 22-2024.
- Brad Cotten expressed his concern for the payroll budget in order to hire more employees for this study and repairs.
- Micheal Baker made the motion to pass Resolution 22-2024 with the amendments listed with Greg Rogers seconding the motion. A roll call vote was taken and the motion passed with 6 yays (including the mayor's yay vote) and 2 nay votes.

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- **No Announcements**

PUBLIC COMMENTS:

- **No Public Comments**

There being no further comments or questions, Brad Cotten made the motion to adjourn. Michael Baker seconded motion. Motion to adjourn passed unanimously by yea vote. Meeting adjourned at 7:33pm.

Respectfully Submitted,

Jennifer Hill, Recorder/Treasurer

Clyde Crookham Jr., Mayor

CITY OF HASKELL City Clerk SALINE CO., ARKANSAS

*** Minutes recorded and transcribed by C/R/T Jennifer Hill****

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