

COUNCIL MEETING  
DECEMBER 10<sup>TH</sup> 2024

Mayor Pat Walden call the meeting to order

Pledge

Roll Call: TJ Duncan via telephone, Darvin Weaver, Lindy Rhodes, all present. Debra Rice was absent.

Approval of the bills in the amount of \$64,248.28:

Darvin motioned to pay the bills, Lindy 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

Approval of November meeting's minutes: Darvin motioned to approve the minutes, Lindy 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

Treasurer's Report was given by Brenda Howard.

Approval of the report: Darvin motioned to approve, Lindy 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

Liz Hart gave the budget report. Everything is looking good. They are going to make it through.

She will look into what they have budgeted for carry over. She recommends not charging wages to the water fund for the rest of the year. Liz said that she had Amy checking into how many water customers the city has and how many of those only use the minimum. The minimum has been the same for many years. Since Bone Creek has increased, the city will have to as well. She feels that they need to at least raise the minimum rate.

Pat stated that they will need to table most of the items until next month, so that they do not wear TJ out since he is recovering from surgery.

Darvin had a list of items to discuss. He inquired as to when the last time the main firetruck was pump tested. Fire Chief Ernie Chase stated it was taken to Springfield a couple years ago. Darvin asked if some of the Christmas lights needed replaced. Ernie said yes, they are getting old. Darvin asked what days the employees got off for Christmas since it is in the middle of the week. City Clerk Cherokee Pelican

stated that they will be off Christmas Eve and Day. Darvin asked if anyone had applied for LIEAP to help pay their utility bills. Cherokee stated that several had applied.

Darvin stated that December 7<sup>th</sup> was Pearl Harbor Day and that it is nice to remember those sailors and soldiers. The trailer at 110 North Kansas was in the newspaper for a Sheriff's sale. Police Chief Joey Adelman said the sale will be cancelled and the mortgage company will take it over.

Darvin told a joke he had heard about shortening a meeting.

Lindy asked if the minutes are public, or only for the council. Cherokee stated that they are public and once they are approved they are posted on the city website.

Lindy suggests that they use last names, and property addresses when typing the minutes.

State Representative Ken Collins stated that there is nothing new at the State.

TJ motioned to adjourn, Darvin 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion carried.

Meeting adjourned at 6:57 PM

*Cherap Pelican 1-14-25*  
*Patrick Walden*