

City Council
May 1, 2025

Present: Mayor Aaron Witt, John Schmidt, Wesley Hofferber, James Farley, Molly Clement

Also Present: Sara Ogden, Anjanette Gibler, Winter Roybal, Scott Hedrick, Misty Lynch, Robbie Wayman, Guerrero Garcia, Carina Roybal, Darrell Edwards, Michael Lundgrin, Gerald Edwards, Peter Guerra

Mayor Witt called the meeting to order. Schmidt made a motion to approve the minutes from the previous meetings. Hofferber seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Farley made a motion to approve the purchase orders through consent agenda. Schmidt seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried. Treasurer Report and Budget Reports were also reviewed. There was no Public Comments.

Carina Roybal wanted to highlight the \$500 Texas County yearly grant. The grant has not been used, but Carina will be using it every year it is available. The AC unit has a small leak that AirPros will be fixing soon. Witt told Carina to get with them to get on the leak soon. Summer reading signups are open for kids, teens and adults. Library storm shelter is cleaned up and ready to go for the season. Inventory has been a nightmare due to neglecting to do inventory in the past. Hunger Free Oklahoma is sending free SNAP resource materials for the library to help inform the community of the local food pantry.

Winter Roybal's report showed 9,048,000 gallons of water pumped. Two water meters quit working and got changed. One water leak in meter can on City service line is scheduled to be replaced. One meter was checked for low water pressure with it having 35 psi on City side. One meter can was driven over by customer and needs to be replaced. Two new water service taps were completed. Water samples were taken for Coliform with good results. DEQ sent permit request back for Water Well #6 for Earl's Engineering to make a few changes. Two gas leaks were found on meter sets; they're scheduled for repairs. The sewer pumped 2,787,515 gallons into lagoons. Irrigation sprinkler was fixed on 5/1/25. Three calls were turned in regarding potholes. Potholes have been filled. Chip seal project for Lorenz St, Lorenz Dr, Pershing St and Golf Dr has been scheduled for the end of May. Letters will be put on homeowners door requesting their assistance with trimming trees away from roadways and cleaning curbs. The county also requested no watering or mowing during that time. Potholes are still being filled, the County helped with some around town. There were 124.5 tons/\$4357.50 of trash was dumped at the Seward County Landfill. One dumpster was missed on the Country Route. Trash truck radiator was replaced by Ekkel's. Revenue from landfill was \$280 with clean up week being utilized. The Airport is mowed and weedeated. The steps for the pool ladders has been replaced. Pool is power washed and ready to open for the season. Parks signs need to be put up. HALO cleaned the City Park on 4/22/25. Total of 53 work orders were completed. Four line locates. Front drivers side axle went out in the 2018 Dodge, it's fixed. Several cylinders in the backhoe are leaking, seal kits have been ordered to get them fixed. Four new tires have been put on the skid steer. Cylinder is leaking on Grader, but having trouble finding seal kit because galion is obsolete.

Scott Hedrick's report included 24 total citations for April. Garcia reported that he and Echo are recertified for the year. Recertification was done at Mooreland, OK. Garcia has also been training with some new walls he built. Garcia said that one clean up letter has been sent with five building permits issued for April. Hofferber asked Garcia to look into the house at Hickory and Lorenz.

Wayman noted the progress for the fire station and that there will be an extra concrete expense. The new ambulance is going to production and the new fire truck is less than a year out. Wayman thanked Misty Lynch for going to the RTAB meetings and keeping in the loop for the ambulance.

Council discussed the purchase amount for the Police Tahoe in depth including mileage, recalls, to sell the explorer, grants, dog kennels, and where the money for the Tahoe is coming from. Schmidt made the motion to

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approve a purchase amount up to \$60,000 with under 40,000 miles and with Wesley Hofferber's final approval. Farley seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The 2025 chip seal project was discussed with Darrell Edwards and Michael Lundgrin from Texas County District #1. The plan is to lay 8-10 foot from the sides and then overlay the whole street for Lorenz due to the current shape of the street. Golf Drive and Pershing will be chip sealed also. The County asked that homeowners not mow or water during that time to help with the curing process of the chip seal. City Maintenance will help clean the street and fill the pot holes before the County chip seals. Schmidt made a motion to approve up to \$30,000 for the purchase of tack oil for the chip seal project. Hofferber seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

The Council talked with Gerald Edwards with GE Engineering, PA from Blanchard, OK, regarding the current valley gutter on Glaydas St. Edwards advised to make the dip not so steep, the best thing to do is to take out the concrete and make the dip wider to cut more into the street and to match existing street or toe of curb on all sides. The concrete will be at 4,000 psi at 28 days. The bench mark 100,000 on NE Corner of Fire Hydrant very top of concrete before placing. The valley gutter will be expanded another 5 foot on each side (East and West) with a 6.0% grade and 5.3% grade in the center. The City would like to work with Austin Concrete on getting the valley gutter taken care of. Witt asked about the cars for the Hooker Car Show being able to navigate the new valley gutter. Schmidt made a motion to approve the valley gutter specifications and move forward with getting it complete. Farley seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

Schmidt made a motion to approve Mollie Baird's pool application. Hofferber seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried. There was no new business to be discussed.

Witt wanted to thank the County for all of their help with streets, patching, car show, etc.

Hofferber made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Clement seconded the motion. All voted in favor. Motion carried.

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