

**WHITE OAK CITY COUNCIL  
SPECIAL MEETING  
WHITE OAK CITY HALL  
OCTOBER 18, 2016  
5:00 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** : Mayor Kyle Kutch, Barbara Ray, Kevin Hood, Lance Noll

**MEMBERS ABSENT** : Thomas Cash, Greg Hulett

**STAFF PRESENT** : Charlie Smith, Sherry Roberts, Tracey Fears, Beaux Huey  
Terry Roach, Randy Dodson, Matt Grammer

**CALL TO ORDER**

- A. Invocation
- B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kutch called the meeting to order at 5:05 p.m. Mayor Kutch led the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Consider and/or approve payment of bills for September 2016
- B. Consider and/or approve City Council minutes from September 20, 2016
- C. Consider and/or approve Quarterly Investment Report ending September 30, 2016
- D. Consider and/or approve WOEDCO budget for fiscal year 2016/2017
- E. Consider and/or approve WOEDCO minutes from July 19, 2016

Councilmember Ray questioned how we were coming along with the WOEDCO contract audits for businesses. Asst. City Manager Sherry Roberts explained that she questioned in a WOEDCO meeting about adjusting the contracts for those that were out of compliance. She explained that she does her due diligence by reporting the findings to the WOEDCO Board, but what the Board decides to do with the findings is their decision.

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Hood, seconded by Councilmember Noll. Carried unanimously.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

None.

\*Mayor Kutch chose to bring Item B under the City Coordinator Items to this spot and congratulated Lona Maxted on receiving the Texas Court Clerks Association Extraordinary Achievement Award.

**CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE** Resolution No. 2016-09; Renaming Baseball Field #1 to "Dylan Tindall Field."

Dustin Williams, former president of the White Oak Baseball Association (WOBA), explained that Dylan Tindall was 11 years old and recently died from cancer. Dylan grew up here and played baseball from T-ball until he was nine and moved to Corpus Christi. He kept in contact with friends and former team members. The WOBA Board discussed what they could do for his family and wanted to rename Field #1 as the Dylan Tindall Field. The Board will present the new baseball field sign during opening ceremonies.

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Ray, seconded by Councilmember Hood. Carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE** purchase of councilmember tablets for paperless agendas.

Asst. City Manager Sherry Roberts informed the Council of the price and productivity differences between iPads and Samsung tablets. Agenda packets will be sent through a Dropbox link and retrieved on tablets. The City's information technology company recommends purchasing the Samsung tablets.

Motion to approve Samsung tablets made by Councilmember Hood, seconded by Councilmember Noll.

Carried unanimously.

**DISCUSS AND/OR CONSIDER APPOINTMENT** of a city attorney for the City of White Oak.

City Coordinator Smith informed the Council that he previously spoke to John Whitsell, City Administrator for Clarksville City, about Mr. Armstrong; he is now their city attorney. City Administrator Whitsell is a former mayor for Troup and Mr. Armstrong has been Troup's city attorney for years.

Attorney Blake Armstrong addressed the City Council and stated he has been in local government law for 18 years and it is the only area of law of which he works. He currently represents 18 municipalities.

Councilmember Noll asked if he would be the legal counsel for the volunteer fire department. Attorney Armstrong answered that it depended on how the department was set up. If they are their own separate 501(c)3 entity, they would probably have their own counsel. He provides everything except any litigation cases that go to Texas Municipal League.

City Coordinator Smith asked Attorney Armstrong about his fees. He answered \$210 an hour; however, he has never lost a client over a fee. He does not bill any of his clients on a retainer because someone will lose out on that type of deal. He believes it is amicable to pay as you go. He added that he bills in quarter-hour increments.

Motion to approve Birdsong & Armstrong – Attorneys at Law as the city attorney made by Councilmember Noll, seconded by Councilmember Hood. Carried unanimously.

**CITY COORDINATOR ITEMS**

- A. Update on water and wastewater treatment plant construction
- B. Court Clerk Extraordinary Achievement Award
- C. TxCDBG Disaster Relief Program
- D. Christmas Parade

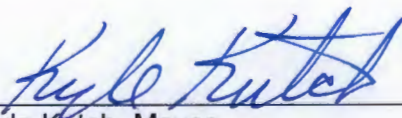
City Coordinator Smith stated he would bring pictures of the wastewater treatment plant for the next meeting.

The City will not apply for the TxCDBG Disaster Relief Program because a deciding factor in the awarding of the grant is a maximum of three months of fund balance reserves. The City currently has approximately 11 months of reserves in the general fund and eight months in the enterprise fund.

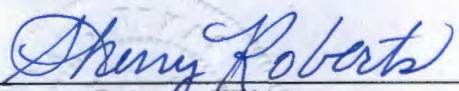
The Christmas Parade will be December 5 at 7:00 p.m. with refreshments at city hall from 5:00-6:30 p.m.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Councilmember Noll made the motion to adjourn at 5:35 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Hood. Carried unanimously.

  
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Kyle Kutch, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
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Sherry Roberts, TRMC  
Asst. City Manager/City Secretary