

CITY OF EMORY
Minutes of the
City Council Meeting
Tuesday the 12th Day of April 2022

The City Council of Emory met on the 12th day of April 2022, at 7:00 pm for a Regular City Council Meeting with the following members present: Mayor Earl Hill III, Jannie Stephens, Travis Potts, Emery Cathey, Lori Honeycutt, and Blake Cooper. Others present: Jay and Carla Weddle, Matthew Peacock, Dana Hoffman, Kim Cole, Ken Player, Katelyn Green, Craig Taylor, Darren Renshaw, Police Chief Cliff Gloar, Public Works Director Blake Brumit, Director of EDC Robert Wolery, Director of Finance Samantha Gibby and City Secretary Donna Raper.

Meeting called to order by Mayor Earl Hill III at 7:00 pm.

Invocation and Pledges given by Jannie Stephens and Mayor Earl Hill III.

Consent Agenda

- A. Motion made by Jannie Stephens, seconded by Lori Honeycutt to approve City Council Meeting held on March 8, 2022. Motion carried unanimously.
- B. Motion made by Travis Potts, seconded by Blake Cooper for the payment of the bills. Motion carried unanimously.

Items for Consideration and/ or Action

- A. Departmental updates: Blake Brumit stated he received a call about a new RV park wanting to come in at 515 and 2795 was checking to see if the City has the capability to take them on the system. Brumit also stated that the Splash pad to be opening at the beginning of May. Mayor Hill stated that the Rains County Chamber of Commerce is taking over Founders Day which is scheduled to be held on Saturday May 7, 2022. Chief Gloar stated that things are running good in the police department. Gloar also stated the department is still short one officer.
- B. Motion made by Blake Cooper, seconded by Lori Honeycutt to approve the FY year 2021 Audit presented by Scott, Singleton, Fincher and Company, PC. Motion carried unanimously.
- C. Motion made by Blake Cooper, seconded by Jannie Stephens bring back off the table to consider updating the EDC Bylaws. Motion carried unanimously.
Motion made by Lori Honeycutt, seconded by Blake Cooper to approve the updated EDC Bylaws. Motion carried unanimously.
- D. Motion made by Blake Cooper, seconded by Emery Cathey to approve the incentive package for Y'all Come Back Café. Motion carried unanimously.
- E. Motion made by Emery Cathey, seconded by Jannie Stephens to approve the incentive package for Cole & Prewitt, LLC. (Travel Center and What A Burger). Motion carried unanimously.
- F. Motion made by Emery Cathey, seconded by Blake Cooper to approve the incentive package for JAD Hotel Group Corp. (Best Western Plus). Emery Cathey, Jannie Stephens, Blake Cooper, Lori Honeycutt voting for and Travis Potts against.
- G. Motion made by Lori Honeycutt, seconded by Jannie Stephens to table the Speed Bumps on Kansas and Ravine Street for more research. Motion carried unanimously.
- H. Motion made by Blake Cooper, seconded by Lori Honeycutt to approve closing two (2) saving accounts at Commercial Bank of Texas and transfer any balances to the General Fund. Motion carried unanimously.
- I. Motion made by Blake Cooper, seconded by Travis Potts to approve closing the Founders Day Checking account at Commercial Bank of Texas and to transfer balances to the Rains County Chamber to use for 2022 Founders Day. Motion carried unanimously.

- J. Motion made by Lori Honeycutt, seconded by Blake Cooper to adopt Resolution No. 5-2022 authorizing Tx Dot Permit for the Juneteenth Day Parade. Motion carried unanimously.
- K. Motion made by Blake Cooper, seconded by Emery Cathey to approve the proposed Water/Sewer Fee Increases. Blake Cooper, Emery Cathey, Lori Honeycutt, Travis Potts voting for and Jannie Stephens abstaining.
- L. Motion made by Blake Cooper, seconded by Lori Honeycutt to approve the proposed Permit Fee Increases. Motion carried unanimously.
- M. Motion made by Blake Cooper, seconded by Lori Honeycutt to adopt Resolution No. 6-2022 for finding that Texas-New-Mexico Power Company's Application for approval to amend its distribution cost recovery factor to increase distribution rates within the city should be denied. Motion carried unanimously.
- N. Motion made by Lori Honeycutt, seconded by Blake Cooper to approve General Fund line-item transfer. Motion carried unanimously.

Executive Session

City Council did not go into executive session.

Motion made by Blake Cooper, seconded by Jannie Stephens to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjourned: 9:10 pm



Mayor, City of Emory, Texas