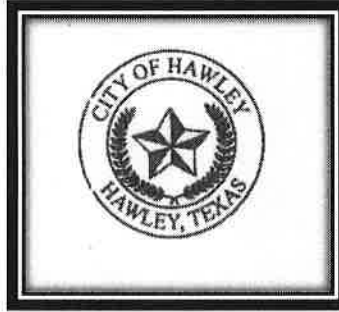


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**MINUTES FOR THE MAY 9, 2023, HAWLEY CITY COUNCIL MEETING**

The regular meeting was called to order by Mayor Richardson at 7:00 pm.

David provided the opening prayer and Mayor Richardson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

After reviewing the March 14, 2023, amended minutes, this item was changed to say will commit 25,000 dollars for the ambulance service for the remainder of this year and reevaluate for the 23-24 fiscal year. David made the motion to accept the minutes, with the amendment. Jason provided the second, all approved, motion passed. Frank made a motion to approve the minutes from April 11, 2023, minutes. David provided the second. All approved.

There were no presentations from the public.

**Member's present were:**

Mayor: Billy Richardson

Mayor ProTem – Jason Dokey

Council Place II – Tisha Westbrook

Council Place III – Frank Gerrard

Council Place IV – David Newman

Council Place V – Lance Pinnick

**GENERAL PUBLIC PRESENTATION-** no public presentation

**NEW BUSINESS:** Discuss and act on (if required)

- a. Canvass election results from the May 6, 2023 city election – The results were read. David provided the motion to accept the results, Frank seconded. All approved.
- b. Swear in new council members – The Mayor swore in Daniel Smith to council place 3 and Jason Dokey to place 1.

- c. **Appointment to council place 5. Jason provided the motion for Frank Gerrard to be appointed to council place 5, David seconded. All approved and the motion carried. The mayor swore in Frank for place 5.**
- d. **Hiring Johnathan Bushee to control the feral cat population in the city. After discussion, the council decided to table the decision until next month and invite Johnathan to attend the council meeting in order to answer questions. David made motion to table hiring Johnathan, Tisha seconded. All approved, motion carried.**
- e. **Bid from Little Manufacturing for street repair – This item was discussed, and David made a motion to accept this bid, Frank provided the second. Upon further discussion, the motion was made by David and seconded by Frank to rescind the first motion which was to accept the bid. After even further discussion, Frank made the motion to table the issue until later, since the city is awaiting a grant that will provide money for street repairs. Daniel provided the second. All approved and the motion carried. The council will also be meeting with the EDC to discuss a loan.**
- f. **Repeal beer ordinance currently in place by the City of Hawley. David made the motion to repeal the beer ordinance, ordinance number 02-01. Frank seconded. Jason abstained from voting; all other council members approved. The motion passed.**
- g. **Food Truck in city limits needing permits to operate. Tisha provided a motion to table this decision until next month. Frank provided the second. All approved, motion carried.**
- h. **Enclosing area in City Hall Lobby. After discussion, the council decided to table the decision until next month. Measurements will be made before the next meeting. Frank made the motion to table the decision and Daniel provided the second. All approved and the motion passed.**

**Old Business: Discuss and act on (if required)**

- a. **Sewer update – no report available**
- b. **Ambulance service - provided by Mayor Richardson. The mayor reported he had spoken with Judge Spurgin. Jones county will provide rewards of money needed for the ambulance. The mayor will update the council after another discussion with Judge Spurgin of Jones County.**
- c. **Community Center Update – provided by David. Several small issues have been resolved. The Drywall will start being placed tomorrow and a fence will begin to be added. All agreed and the motion carried.**

**Reports: Discuss and act on (if required)**

- a. **Hawley EDC Report – no report provided.**

- b. **Administration Report-** The administration report was given by Regina. She reports she will be taking some time off for the next 3 Fridays. She will call Binswanger Glass again to request a bid for a mail slot to be added to the front door. She is requesting to purchase 2 bookcases. Jason made the motion to accept the report and Tish provided the second. All agreed and the motion passed.
- c. **Municipal Court Report –** This report was presented by Judge Turner. He reports there were 7 new cases last month, 1 arrest and zero dismissals. Frank made a motion to accept the report, David provided the second. All approved, the motion carried.
- d. **Police Report-** report provided by the Mayor for Chief Wilson. Frank made a motion to accept the report, Jason provided the second All approved, motion passed.
- e. **Street Report –** The street report has already been covered by the Mayor. Jason made a motion to accept the report, Frank provided the second. All agreed and the motion carried.
- f. **Quarterly Report and Financial Report –** Jason will begin to compile a document of the cost of the furniture for the City Activity Center. Work continues on the quarterly and financial report. David made the motion to accept the report, Tish seconded. All approved and the motion carried.
- g. **Amend Budget and Approve Line Item Transfers –** this item was tabled until next month. David made the motion to accept, Daniel seconded. All approved and the carried.
- h. **Pay Bills –** Motion was made by Daniel to pay the bills; Frank provided the second. All agreed and the motion passed. The bills will be paid.

Closing Comments and Adjourn: none

Frank made the motion to adjourn, and Tish provided the second. All agreed and the motion carried. The meeting was adjourned at 9:40 pm.

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Mayor, Billy Richardson

Attest:\_\_\_\_\_  
City Secretary, Regina Thompson