



Mayor Jesse Casey
Alderman Charlie Hunt
Alderman Brant Cain

Mayor Pro-Temp Gary Lovelace
Alderman Guy Walker
Alderwoman Lauren Bresch

The City of Hallsville Council meeting convened in regular session at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, June 18, 2024, at City Hall located at 115 West Main Street.

The following members were present:

Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace
Alderman Brant Cain
Alderman Guy Walker

Alderman Charlie Hunt
Alderwoman Lauren Bresch

Mayor Jesse Casey was unable to attend the meeting.

City of Hallsville Staff Present:

City Secretary Laura Welch
Chief of Police Wesley Freeman

City Administrator Marty Byers

Other Attendees

Michelle Walker, Savannah Hearnberger, Mark McElroy, Shirley Copeland and Teresa Drake were also in attendance.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace.

II. Invocation

The Invocation was led by Alderwoman Lauren Bresch.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace.

IV. Consent Agenda – May, 2024

Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace asked to approve the Consent Agenda Items including City Administrator's Report for May 2024, Police Department Summary for May 2024, Fire Marshal's Report for May 2024, Permit Report for May 2024, Monthly Financials for May 2024, and the Minutes of the May 21, 2024 Regular Meeting. The Water Department Summary for May 2024 was completed late and on file.

Marty Byers informed the City Council members of the glass breakage to the front of the building and informed the members we were currently looking at several options of repair. He also informed the council of the unexpected emergency expenses the city will incur to repair and replace old and backed up sewer and water lines on Country Club Road.

Motion was made by Alderman Brant Cain, seconded by Alderman Charlie Hunt, to approve the May 2024 Consent Agenda Items as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

V. Open Discussion

1. A discussion between the Focus Group members and Council regarding their experience with City Department Heads and possibly their suggestions for the City.

Members of the Focus Group expressed their appreciation and gratitude of being selected to serve as a member of this group. They expressed the knowledge they gained learning the operations of the City was very informative. They were very impressed with the personnel responsible for the City operations. Their main concern was our infrastructure as we continue to grow. The Council thanked them for their willingness to serve and concern for our City.

VI. Items to be Considered

1. Discuss, consider and act upon approving Resolution 2024-02 selecting GrantWorks as the soliciting, planning and management service provider to assist the City with the development, adoption and implementation of modern and resilient building codes and flood damage prevention ordinances for the Community Development Block Grant – Mitigation (CDBG-MIT) Resilient Communities Program (RCP) through the Texas General Land Office. The amount of this grant will be approximately \$300,000.00.

A motion was made by Alderman Guy Walker, seconded by Alderman Brant Cain, to approve GrantWorks as the administrator for the Resilient Communities Program.

The motion carried unanimously.

VII. Executive Session

Executive Session items are discussed in closed session but any and all action is taken in regular open session. Executive Session is not open to the public because there is a compelling need of confidentiality. Executive Session may be called at any time during the meeting and the Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session on any of the posted agenda items for the purposes permitted by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 through Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters (Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, Dismissal, Complaint), and/or Section 551.072, Real Estate Transactions.

VIII. Adjournment

Motion was made by Alderman Guy Walker, seconded by Alderman Charlie Hunt, to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 P.M.

City of Hallsville

Signed:

Mayor Jesse Casey

Attest:

City Secretary

Sworn and subscribed by before me on the 17th day of July 2024.

Faron Cain
Notary Public, State of Texas