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Minutes
Council Meeting 2/21/23

Councilpersons Present: Patterson, Cochran, Wright, Felty, Stoker

Mayor: Present Quorum Established

1. Call to Order by Mayor Reiter @ 6:02 p.m.
2. Invocation was led by Judge Les Colley
3. Pledge of Allegiance was led by Councilman Cochran
4. Open forum/Public Comments. – Judge Colley honored Mayor Reiter by presenting a framed photo of the Mayor to be placed in the Council Chambers along with pictures of previous Mayors.
5. Consent agenda items – Councilperson Stokes motioned and Councilperson Felty seconded the motion to accept the consent agenda items as presented in the packet. Motioned Passed Unanimously
 - A. Minutes of the January 17, 2023
 - B. Departmental reports for January 2023.
 - C. Financial Reports and Checks/Invoices of January 2023.
6. Chris Turner presented the council with the 20-21 Financial Audit report and reported that revenue was up and debt was down from previous year and that only one significant adjustment was made during the audit related to a duplicate entry.
7. Van Alexander, Riverbend Representative, commented on the importance of Riverbend's goal to secure the water needs for the region and asked to refer the council to Kyle Dooley's expertise on the status of the current projects. Kyle stated the Regional Water Treatment facility was approximately 30% complete with the design phase. There had been some unforeseen delays but the applications has been submitted for the Intake. Additionally, Riverbend was working with Red River Army Depot to replace the wastewater treatment plant and move the footprint to Tex Americas.
8. Councilperson Cochran motioned to enter into an Interlocal Agreement between Bowie County and the City of Hooks for a joint election for the General Election held on May 6, 2023 if applications were received for opposed council seats. Councilperson Stoker seconded the motion and the motioned was passed by unanimous vote. City Secretary reported that at this time, no seats are being opposed.
9. Councilperson Cochran makes a motion to require Right of Way Franchise Tax for Conterra for a new buried fiber optic cable deployment in the City of Hooks Councilperson Wrights seconds the motion and the motion passes unanimously.
10. Councilperson Cochran makes a motion to table the consideration of Continuation of the Home Grant Program until we have more information regarding the City's cost. Councilperson Felty seconds the



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motion and the motion is carried unanimously. The City's Contract with TDHCA expires on April 14, 2023.

1. Mayor considers adjournment. Motion was made by Councilperson Stokes and seconded by Councilperson Felty to adjourn. Motion was carried by unanimous vote. Adjourned at 6:28 PM.

Marc Reiter, Mayor

Cynthia Norton, City Secretary

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