

Regular Board Meeting April 5, 2021

The Parsons City Council met for its regular monthly meeting, Monday, April 5, 2021, at 6:00 pm. in the city council meeting room. Mayor Tim David Boaz called the meeting to order.

Roll Called:

Present

Absent

Kevin Cagle

Marty Carrington

Joseph Fisher

Dale Reynolds

Larry Townsend

Lanny Taylor

Jimmy Lynn Walker

A motion was made by Dale Reynolds to approve the regular monthly minutes for March 2021. Second by Marty Carrington

Vote: All Ayes

Motion to approve the Financial Statement for February 2021 by Larry Townsend. Second by Kevin Cagle Vote: All Ayes

Community Forum. None

Mayor asked city council members to welcome a new member of the council, Mr. Jimmy Lynn Walker.

Mayor asked Lee Villaflor to address the council concerning the apprenticeship program with TAUD. This program is open to anyone 18 or older with a high school diploma or GED. Applicants must be physically capable of performing the essential functions required of an apprentice, be able to pass a drug screening, must pass a background check, and possess a valid driver's license. The TAUD Apprenticeship Program will give you employment, training you in a variety of positions supported by the water industry, for a certified water or wastewater specialist certification. The skills learned in this program will be recognized by utilities statewide. This will not cost the City of Parsons anything. The cost is just getting the employees to these classes.

As we hire new employees, we will want to use this training program for the city employees so we can have a topnotch group of people. At the present we have two employees certified in water and one in sewer. At the water plant we have two operators, and two sewer plant operators. This is a two- or four-year program depending on type of certification that is needed.

Lee Villaflor gave up date on grant for generators. CDBG Development Block Grant is finished. We are just waiting on permit from the Army Corp of Engineers' and TVA then we can let out for Bids. The FEMA Hazard Mitigation Grant which is a grant for a generator for the Water Plant has also been send in for approval.

Lee stated that Shane did a fly over the sewer plant lagoons. This was projected on the screen for the Council members to see. Lee has been working with engineers, Lagoon Specialist and sewer specialist. The mixing pond and the polishing pond were pointed out to council Our system is having trouble with ammonia. We have two different kinds of aerators surface and diffusers. Lee has gotten these pictures in the hands of Lagoon Do It Better. We feel like our problem is the air not getting into the system. The Lagoons are 10 ft deep so our aerators only bothering first three feet of the water.

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Lee, Mayor and Randy McKinnon went to Clifton to look at their system. Clifton has gone with Triple Point Technologies. All the aerators have electric boxes to them. We have fifteen but only ten are working. We are also having something happening to motors or electrical wires. A blower sends out air through gas pipe and then out to the lagoons. Blowers are set at the bottom of lagoons. That is what we would want them to design one for us. We would like to put the air compressors in old chlorine room and their lines plumbed out into edge of the lagoons.

Mayor states quote was \$244,000.00. This includes 2- 50 hp air compressors, 26 aerators and 5600 1 ½ weight poly tubing that goes to each aerator and it also included the electrical panel for the compressors. Federal government is sending money out to each government in the amount of \$600,000. Mayor called Ronnie Neil with MTAS to see if this money could be used for this, and it can. If we do not get this fixed, we are going to get a fine and get under a director's order stated Mayor Boaz.

Motion to proceed with this project by Kevin Cagle, and Dale Reynolds Second. Vote:

Kevin Cagle ---- Aye

Marty Carrington --Aye

Joseph Fisher ----- Aye

Dale Reynolds----- Aye

Larry Townsend----Aye

Lanny Taylor ----- Aye

Jimmy Lynn Walker-Aye

New Business: none

Old Business:

- I: Second Reading on An Ordinance No: 398 to amend the City of Parsons Zoning Map to zone property located near 870 Tennessee Avenue South from R-1(Low Density Residential) District to B-1(General Business). This has been before the Parsons Regional Planning Commission. Motion to pass this Ordinance on second reading by Kevin Cagle, Second by Joseph Fisher. Vote: All Ayes

Kevin Cagle asks this to be clarified.

The City of Parsons Council has passed a Resolution to help fund the Tennessee College of Applied Technology for Economic Development located 256 West 9th Street, Parsons, Tennessee 38363. This is a joint partnership involving The Ayers Foundation, City of Parsons and Decatur County. The checks are to be made out to The State of Tennessee mailed to 1 Bridgestone Park, Nashville, Tenn. 37214 or you take it over to the Ayers Foundation. This school has been started to benefit the citizens of Decatur County and surrounding counties

Motion to adjourn by Marty Carrington Second by Dale Reynolds. Vote: All Ayes.

Tim David Boaz, Mayor

Judy Daugherty, City Recorder