

Meeting Minutes
December 6, 2021

The Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the City of Sweetwater met in their regular monthly meeting on Monday, December 6, 2021 at 5 p.m. at City Hall. Mayor Lowe was absent due to an appointment. Vice-Mayor Billy G. West called the meeting to order with Commissioners present being: Lamar Hughes, Sam Moser, Alan Richeson, and Bill W Stockton. City Attorney John Cleveland was present. City Recorder Jessica Morgan was on vacation. Assistant Recorder Sonya Crush took the minutes.

Vice-Mayor West opened the meeting with prayer, followed by the pledge of allegiance led by John Anderson.

Commissioner Stockton moved to approve the minutes from the regular meeting of November 1, 2021 and called meeting of November 29, 2021. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. Vice-Mayor West did not vote on any items of action during the meeting.

After the Recorder's report, Commissioner Stockton moved to approve the distributions for the month of October, 2021. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

In Old Business, Commissioner Hughes moved to approve the increased credit limit on the City's credit card. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

In New Business, Commissioner Moser moved to approve the hiring of Jon Campbell as City Planner. Commissioner Moser stated that we had interviewed 3 applicants and he felt Mr. Campbell was the best applicant. He stated that Jon would have 7 months to complete all of his accreditation. He stated that during that time we would be contracting with Tony Wilson for building inspections and ETDD for planning services. Commissioner Richeson asked if it was a requirement for employment that Mr. Campbell get his certifications in the allotted 7 months. Commissioner Moser stated that his salary was based on having the certifications. Commissioner West asked if we could extend the length of the contracts with Mr. Wilson and ETDD if the need arose. Commissioner Moser stated we could extend those contracts as needed. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

In other New Business, Commissioner Hughes moved to approve a bid from Jacky Jones Ford to purchase a new F150 for the Parks department. The bid amount was \$33,919 with a \$3,000 trade allowance making the total purchase price \$30,919. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Moser moved to authorize Mayor Lowe to execute a contract with ETDD to administer the ARPA funds coming from the Federal Government. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Moser moved to authorize Mayor Lowe to execute the contract with ETDD to offer planning services for the period of 7 months during which time the new City Planner is obtaining his certification.

The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Moser moved to approve Ordinance No. 994 to amend Title 10 regarding animal licensing on first reading. Commissioner Stockton voiced concern over the limitations he feels we experience in dealing with vicious dogs. Commissioner Moser asked Commissioner Stockton to clarify that the issue he is concerned with is a separate issue than that which the board was taking action on. After the clarification, the motion was seconded. Upon Roll Call voting the Ayes were as follows: Commissioner Hughes, Commissioner Moser, Commissioner Richeson, and Commissioner Stockton. Nays being none. Commissioner West, as chair, did not vote. The motion was carried.

Commissioner Hughes moved to approve the Resolution to approve an application to apply for a TDOT Transportation Planning Grant. The motion was seconded. All voted in favor, with none opposed. The motion was carried.

A RESOLUTION TO ADOPT

TDOT COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PLANNING GRANT APPLICATION – 2022

WHEREAS, the City of Sweetwater has met to discuss and support applying for the grant based on the scope and requirements of the grant application; and

WHEREAS, If Awarded, the city agrees to pay the 10% match up with 90% being funded by TDOT. It is based on grant fund of \$125,000 maximum amount for planning services; and

WHEREAS, the City of Sweetwater agrees to adopt the TDOT COMMUNITY TRANSPORTATION PLAN upon completion.

Therefore, the Mayor and Board of Commissioners of the City of Sweetwater approve this Resolution to apply for the TDOT Community Transportation Planning grant and commits to the local match if awarded.

Mayor Doyle F. Lowe

ATTEST:

Recorder

No further action was taken.

The meeting was adjourned at 5:27 p.m.

This the 6th day of December, 2021.

Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Recorder