August 7, 2023

The Bonanza Common Council held a regular meeting on Monday, August 7, 2023. Mayor Betty Tyree called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm.

ROLL CALL

City officials, citizens, and members present were:

Mayor: Betty Tyree Treasurer: Cheri Stewart Recorder: Bryn Neese

Councilors: Don Nelson, Nancy Ibarra, Mary Schiefelbein Absent: Ashlie Pence

Citizens: Rocky Nelson, James Loughnane, Lonnie Carter, Hersey Kyle, Roxanne Kyle, Ron Broussard, Genny

Broussard, Michael Diggins

CONSENT AGENDA

a. Minutes – Regular & Financial Reports / Bank Statements and Reconciliations

Councilor Nelson motioned to approve the minutes. Councilor Schiefelbein seconded. Motion carried. Councilor Schiefelbein motioned to approve financial report, Councilor Ibarra seconded. Motion carried.

REPORTS

a. Sewer Report

Aaron Neese submitted sewer report for July, and Cheri Stewart presented it.

b. Code Enforcement Report

There was no code enforcement report because we do not have an acting code enforcement officer. There are current violations that need to be addressed. Mayor Tyree suggested involving the Health Department on a chronic offense case.

Drivers speeding through town is a pressing concern. Councilor Nelson motioned and Councilor Schiefelbein seconded to have Cheri write a letter to Warner Reshke regarding automatic speed ticketing machines. Motion carried. Councilor Schiefelbein motioned and Councilor Ibarra seconded having Mayor Tyree talk to Ron Broussard about establishing a law enforcement presence in Bonanza. Motion carried.

CORRESPONDENCE:

a.

PLANNING:

a. Dahl Shed

Councilor Nelson motioned and Councilor Ibarra seconded to approve the construction of a shed on the Dahl property. Motion carried.

b. Temporary RV Habitation

Councilor Nelson motioned and Councilor Ibarra seconded to approve Mike Broaddus' application for temporary RV habitation.

PUBLIC COMMENT

a.

OLD BUSINESS:

a. Bonanza Extravaganza Report

2023 Bonanza Extravaganza broke several records. We had a record number of vehicles for the Show & Shine. We had a record number of Hobby Vendors. We maxed out the Bake Off entries, and we had 56 entries in the parade. Cheri will finalize the reports to the grant donors and finish paying bills associated with the Extravaganza and will have the budget overview from the event ready in September.

b. Hersey Building

The Hersey building has been paid for. The contract for assembling the building has been awarded to Carson Mockridge. Cheri will file the permits for the change of building size. Now we need to get the building moved to Town Hall.

c. Tree Removal

Councilor Nelson motioned to sign an agreement to split the \$18,000 cost to have have Absolute Tree Care remove 27 trees from the school property to make way for the construction of the gym. Councilor Ibarra seconded. Motion carried.

Councilor Ibarra motioned to pay the \$9,000 for tree removal from the drainage grant. Councilor Schiefelbein seconded, motion carried.

d. Liquor License Renewal

Councilor Ibarra motioned and Councilor Schiefelbein seconded to renew liquor licenses for Hammerich's BGS and Cactus J. Motion carried.

e. Extravaganza Volunteer Appreciation

The Council agreed to table the discussion of a volunteer appreciation for the gentlemen who helped with setup for the Extravaganza until we find out what organizations were represented.

f. Bowne Park Schedule

Mayor Tyree will get together with Bonanza's head soccer coach to set practice schedules at Bowne Park between soccer and Pop Warner.

g. Cheri Time Off

Cheri would like to have the days off from August 15 through the 28. Councilor Schiefelbein motioned and Councilor Ibarra seconded to grant time off. Motion carried.

h. Maintenance Position

Councilor Nelson motioned and Councilor Schiefelbein seconded to advertise a part-time position for a general maintenance assistant.

i. Law Enforcement

Ron Broussard discussed the expenses involved in having a legal force. He discussed insurance, benefits, equipment, etc. He also discussed possible increased revenue options such as ticket revenue and security contracts. Ron has a meeting with Merrill Wednesday, August 8, and will report back to Mayor and the Council afterward.

ADJOURNMENT

Councilor Ibarra motioned to adjourn meeting at 7:39 pm. Councilor Schiefelbein seconded. Motion carried. The next regular meeting will be Monday, September 11, at 6:30 pm.

Betty Tyree	9/12/23	
Betty Tyree, Mayor	Date	
Bryn Neese, City Recorder	9/19/23	
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