

# *City of Chillicothe*

## Minutes of Regular City Council Meeting February 7, 2022

Mayor Cathy Young called the Regular meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. in the City Council Chambers, and a quorum was declared present, with the following members present:

Councilmembers: Randy Stidham, Bradley Fisher and Wallace Clay Absent were Councilmembers Carlos Ayala and Toni Reagan

Staff Present: Secretary Michelle Stovall, Police Chief Shane Vandiver, Public Water Works Director Nicky Richter, Tax Collector Michelle Stovall

Public Present: Susan Hopkins

Councilmember Fisher led the group in the Pledge of Allegiance to the U.S. flag

Councilmember Clay gave the invocation.

### PUBLIC COMMENT

Susan Hopkins spoke to the Council on behalf of the First United Methodist Church concerning cost of water bill as the church has had numerous leaks and would like to pay the bill out in installments due to the high cost of bill. Council will consider Susan Hopkins request and will call her with the decision.

### CONSENT AGENDA

Councilmember Stidham made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda Items A through C as follows:

- A. Approve Minutes: Attached are copies of the minutes of the Regular City Council meeting held on Monday, January 3, 2022.
- B. Approve Financial Statement for January 2022
- C. Approve Bills for payment received since January 1st, 2022

Seconded by Councilmember Fisher 3 Yes None Against Motion Carried

### DEPARTMENT REPORTS

**Fire Department** – None

**Police Department** – Traffic stops 100 with a total of 156 Citations and 0 Warnings. 1 Traffic accident. 66 total calls for service, 27 Dispatch, 9 City Hall, 24 Citizen 6 Public Assists. 5 City Ordinance contact 2 citation and 3 warning. 0 reports and 1 Arrest.

**Public Works** – Repaired three water leaks and working on a leak at the Coop. Texas Water Development Board came and did our annual measure. TCEQ quarterlies were picked up in December and also took water samples from M Street and waiting on results. We need three more samples for the process of getting well online. Councilmember Stidham has requested Glynn to come to council meetings and give sewer report.

**Rolling Plains/Nortex** Nortex meeting will be on the 17th of February.

**Tax Department/Court** – 16924.28 Base Tax Collected 1.81 Discounts 8.06 Penalty and Interest 3.94 Attorney Fees making a total collected of 16,934.47

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL CHILlicothe INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT PURCHASING CITY HOUSE.**

Motion was made by Councilmember Stidham to sell the City House to Chillicothe Independent School District for \$48000.00.

Seconded by Councilmember Fisher 3 Yes None Against Motion Carried.

**CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL ORDER OF ELECTION FOR MAY 7, 2022 FOR MAYOR AND TWO COUNCIL SEATS (CLAY AND STIDHAM) AND REAUTHORIZATION OF THE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX IN CHILlicothe, TEXAS AT THE RATE OF ONE QUARTER (1/4)% TO CONTINUE PROVIDING REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIRS OF MUNICIPAL STREETS.**

Motion was made by Councilmember Fisher to Approve the Order of Election.

Seconded by Councilmember Clay 3 Yes None Against Motion Carried.

**CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL APPOINTMENT OF ELECTION JUDGE AND ALTERNATE.**

Motion was made by Councilmember Stidham to approve appointment of Sheila Clay as Judge and Carol Ann Cheek as alternate.

Seconded by Councilmember Clay 3 Yes None Against Motion carried.

**DISCUSS ESTIMATE FOR GENERATOR.**

Councilmembers looked at and discussed estimate and we are still waiting on other estimates for generator for wells.

**DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL CITY BURN ORDINANCE.**

Motion was made by Councilmember Stidham to approve the City Burn Ordinance and Exceptions.

Seconded by Councilmember Clay 3 Yes None Against Motion carried.

**EXECUTIVE SESSION**

Motion was made by Councilmember Stidham to go into executive session at 6:55

Seconded by Councilmember Clay 3 Yes None Against Motion Carried.

Returned to open session at 7:10

Motion was made by Councilmember Fisher to approve employee raises.

Seconded by Councilmember Stidham 3 Yes None Against Motion Carried

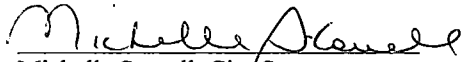
**MAYOR'S COMMENTS**

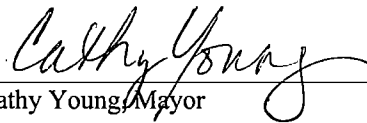
- A. Nortex meeting – February 17th, 2022
- B. Holiday February 21<sup>st</sup> 2022 President's Day

ADJOURN

Being no further business, motion was made to adjourn the Regular Meeting at 7:20 p.m. by Councilmember Stidham.

Seconded by Councilmember Fisher. 3 Yes None Against Motion Carried.

  
Michelle Stovall, City Secretary

  
Cathy Young, Mayor