## **CITY OF TOULON**

## REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

## **JANUARY 8 2024**

## **TOULON FIREHOUSE**

**PRESENT:** Mayor Hollis, Barbara J Cantwell City Clerk, Kate Carter attorney

Donna Lefler, Art Nutzhorn 1st Ward Alderman

Michael Schott, Connie Jacobson 2<sup>nd</sup> Ward Alderman

Ryan Kelly, Brandon Simpson 3<sup>rd</sup> Ward Alderman

**CALL TO ORDER:** Mayor Hollis called the regular meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag.

MINUTES TO THE DECEMBER 11, 2023 MEETING: Corrected the minutes for the November 13, 2023 meeting to read, Michael Schott made a motion to pay Potter & Sons, Inc. \$94,500.00 to remove sod and dirt and place typar paper down. Michael Schott made a motion to accept the December 11, 2023, minutes as amended. Art Nutzhorn 2<sup>nd</sup>, Donna Lefler, Ryan Kelly voted no, motion passed.

MINUTES TO THE PUBLIC HEARING ON DECEMBER 28, 2023. Page 1 under 3<sup>rd</sup> paragraph changed will hold 60,000 gal. to holds 60,000 gal. Brandon Simpson made a motion to accept the minutes for December 28, 2023, as amended. Art 2<sup>nd</sup>, Connie Jacobson, Ryan Kelly abstained, motion passed.

**CASH RECEIPT REPORT:** Total Cash Receipt for December 2023 is \$85,598.11. Donna Lefler made a motion to approve the December 2023 Cash Receipt Report. Art Nutzhorn 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

**TREASURER REPORT:** The Treasurer Report for December 2023 is \$1,093,504.71. Donna Lefler made a motion to approve the Treasurer Report for December 2023. Connie 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

REPORT FROM CITY EMPLOYEES/COMMITTEE CHAIRMAN: Jake Streitmatter reported that 100 potholes have been done. Justin Reeise reported of a violation of oxygen and ammonia. Moving forward, a compliance agreement was made with the EPA. The EPA has now decided not to go through with the compliance agreement and the City was to proceed with a plan of adding bacteria to the lagoon and provide with an update. Matt Forstrom reported the lease on the skid steer is up in March and the backhoe needs rear tires. Plows are ready for the big snow coming. Donna Lefler reported that the city is showing some progress in numbers of water usage and income because of the new meters being put in. Donna Lefler asked about 2 invoices that are the same amount on the paid invoice report for Giffin Engineering.

**APPROVAL OF SUBMITTED CLAIMS:** Brandon Simpson made a motion to approve the submitted claims. Michael Schott 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

ATTORNEY REPORT: Kate Carter said there was nothing new to report.

**TURNER STREET SEWER:** Justin Reese reported that Baileys would start in the next 2 weeks weather pending.

**UNSEWERED COMMUNITY PLANNING REPORT GRANT:** Justin Reeise reported everything is at the EPA and just waiting on them to go through the process.

**ENGINEERING PLANS FOR WATER MAINS:** No updates.

**BASEBALL RAILING:** Matt Forstrom said he had talked to Mitch Hulsey, and he might be interested. Also talked to Riley Musselman and he has an idea of what the city could do. Michael is to get some pictures from Riley and a quote.

WATER TOWER GRANT: Nothing new

**WATER PLANT CAUSTIC:** Jake Streitmatter and Justin Reeise had gone to Bradford and looked at their plant and was impressed. Waiting for some quotes so this is tabled till next month.

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**SEWER OPERATOR CONTRACT – JAKE STREITMATTER:** The Mayor spoke to Kate Carter, and she responded by saying the city should add this salary to the current pay he makes now and not be a contractor.

**PUBLIC CONCERNS: None** 

**STARK COUNTY PARENTS CLUB DONATION:** Brandon Simpson made a motion to give the Stark County Parents Club a donation of \$1,250.00. Ryan Kelly 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

**REVIEW ORDINANCE 755 TO CHANGE:** Reviewed Ordinance #755, no action was taken. Tabled till next month's meeting.

**SET MEETINGS FOR CALENDAR YEAR 2024:** Brandon Simpson made a motion to adopt the meeting schedule as presented for the year 2024. Donna Lefler 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

Michael Schott left the regular council meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**EMPLOYEE JOB DESCRIPTIONS, EXPETATIONS, GOALS:** Brandon Simpson would like job descriptions, expectations & goals for the employees. Tabled.

**SELL OF EXCESS EQUIPMENT/ORDINANCE #961:** Matt Forstrom has some miscellaneous stuff to sell that he has come across while cleaning the maintenance shed. Ryan Kelly made a motion to approve Ordinance #961 authorizing the Sale of Personal Property in the Possession of the City of Toulon. Donna Lefler 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.

**TIF:** There was a discussion about the bill from Bob's Concrete for \$15,800.00. Will it be paid now or tabled for more discussion next month? There is no action on any of the TIF business.

7:30

Brandon Simpson made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Connie Jacobson 2<sup>nd</sup>, motion passed.