

HASKELL CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES MARCH 11, 2013

The regular meeting of the Haskell City Council was held at the Haskell City Hall at 7:00 p.m., Monday, March 11, 2013.

Bailey & Tyler Hagerty led the Pledge of Allegiance; prayer was given by Councilman Brad Graham.

Prior to the beginning of the meeting, Mayor Arey presented Proclamations to Bailey Hagerty and to Tyler Hagerty for recognition of their achievement of the highest rank of Eagle Scout; declaring March 30th as "Eagle Scout Tyler W. Hagerty Day" and "Eagle Scout John Bailey Hagerty Day".

ROLL CALL: Aldermen present were Ronnie Ballard, Terry Babbs, Rose Marie Wilkinson, Brad Graham, Ed Simmons, Gary Vice, and Hal Baker. Allen Nash was absent. Others present: Mayor Jeff Arey, Recorder Janie Lyman, Police Chief Mike Holt, Fire Chief Brian Cotten, Robert Burson, Lt. Mike Hardester, Mary Beth Bueche (Benton Courier), Brad Cotten, Roy Carman, Jim Whitley (District 10 Justice of the Peace), Tony, Tracy, Bailey, and Tyler Hagerty, Ed Kubler, Kate Reecer, Kristen Wright, Nick Calaway, and Engineer Mike Bolin.

Mayor Arey declared a quorum present, and called for the reading of the minutes of the February 11, 2013 meeting. Motion was made by Brad Graham, seconded by Terry Babbs, to approve the minutes as presented. The motion passed unanimously by yea vote.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

WATER/SEWER Robert Burson gave the report; and copy of which is filed with these minutes.

STREETS Mayor Arey reported that the Safe Routes to School Sidewalk Project from Mitchell St. to Vulcan Rd. has been completed, and he is making application for Grant funds to continue the sidewalk from Vulcan Rd to Gregory. Construction should begin on the sidewalk down Grand Ave to Kennedy in April.

FIRE & RESCUE Chief Brian Cotten gave the report; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

POLICE Chief Mike Holt gave the report; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

COURT Mayor Arey gave the report; a copy of which is filed with these minutes.

PLANNING COMMISSION

No Meeting

CODE ENFORCEMENT

Listing of February contacts

OLD BUSINESS

NONE

NEW BUSINESS

Resolution 08-2013 A Resolution Amending the 2013 Budget and Authorizing the Purchase of Equipment for the Haskell Police Department and Setting Limits

Hal Baker asked for the Recorder to read the heading only of Resolution 08-2013. Recorder Janie Lyman proceeded with the reading of the heading only of Resolution 08-2013. Hal Baker made the motion, seconded by Rose Marie Wilkinson, to approve Resolution 08-2013. A Roll Call vote was taken; the motion passed unanimously.

Resolution 09-2013 A Resolution Listing Bids Received,
Determining the Lowest and Best Bid and Recommendation of
Award of Contracts

Engineer Mike Bolin addressed the Council to explain a little about the project. The City of Haskell was awarded a Disaster Relief Grant based on the flood disaster of 2008 of Trace Creek in an area below Timberlake Subdivision. In January, the City of Haskell received the Permit from the Army Corps of Engineers, and Notice to Proceed from Arkansas Economic Development Commission, who is the Grant Administrator for this Project; the total cost of construction is \$149,000.00. A bid opening was held March 5th at 10:00 a.m. at the Haskell City Hall; four (4) bids ranging from \$147,450.00 to \$199,500.00 were presented.

Mr. Bolin analyzed the bids received, and it is his recommendation that the contract be awarded to Young's General Contracting, Inc. of Poplar Bluff, Mo, who presented the lowest bid of \$132,694.52. In addition to these construction costs, we have some mitigation planning to do to satisfy the terms of the Corps of Engineers permit. Cost for this is estimated to be \$8,000.00 to \$10,000.00.

Rose Marie Wilkinson made the motion to approve this recommendation. Motion was seconded by Hal Baker, and passed unanimously by Roll Call vote.

REQUEST from Fire Chief Brian Cotten for the City Council's consideration to purchase a new 2013 fire engine to replace the 1990 Seagrave.

Currently the Fire Department has three Engines: 1990 Pierce, 1990 Seagrave, and 1989 Pierce. With all three Engines being approximately 23 years old, we need to develop a long range plan to upgrade our apparatus. At this time, we are experiencing more maintenance issues with the 1990 Seagrave. The current Fire Department income is adequate to support the purchase of a new Engine.

Chief Cotten requests that the Council consider proceeding with the purchase of a new 2013 Engine. The estimated purchase price for this unit is approximately \$335,000; equipment will cost \$8,000.00, but will be tax free if purchased with the Engine. Due to the fact that it takes 240 days to construct this engine, Chief Cotten requests that in order to move forward he needs a *Letter of Intent* so that production may begin.

Hal Baker made the motion, seconded by Terry Babbs, authorizing Mayor Arey and Chief Cotten to proceed with the necessary steps to begin production of this engine. The motion was passed unanimously by yea vote.

COMMENTS

Hal Baker advised the Council that in order for the Fire Chief to qualify for full LOPFI retirement, he must earn at least \$1340.00 per month. The Fire Chief currently earns \$1325.00 per month. After a brief discussion, Hal Baker made the motion, seconded by Ronnie Ballard, to approve a \$25.00 per month increase in salary, and approve the additional yearly LOPFI deposits of \$3,000.00. A Roll Call vote was taken; the motion passed unanimously. An amendment to the Fire Sales Tax budget to reflect these addition changes will be presented at the May meeting.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Arey reminded everyone of the Haskell Clean-Up Day scheduled for Saturday, April 27th, 8:00 a.m. until noon. The City has partnered with the Saline County Solid Waste Management District, who will provide dumpster and recycling containers. These will be placed in the front parking lot of Harmony Grove School.

There being no further comments or questions, the meeting was adjourned

Respectfully Submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Janie Lyman". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the printed name.

Janie Lyman, Recorder

HASKELL FLOW REPORT

March 2013

WATER PURCHASED: Arkansas Health Center	0
Southwest Water Assn.	7,680,260

TOTAL PURCHASED **7,680,260**

GPD Average **247,750**

WASTE WATER TREATED: North Plant	5,156,630
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South Plant	8,833,190
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Total Treated **13,989,820**

GPD Average **451,285**



Haskell Police Department
Monthly Report

Date: March 2013

Monthly Totals

Annual Totals

Police Calls 146

Warnings 36

City 82

Other Agencies 202

Total Citations 284

Accidents 4

Incidents 31

Warrants 26

Agency Assists 13

Equipment Repair: _____

Training: _____

General Information: _____

Haskell Police Department
2520 HWY 229
Haskell, Ar. 72015

To: Chief M. Holt

March 31st, 2012

From: Officer S. Walden (Training officer)

Ref: Monthly Reports for March 2013

Training hours for March 2013

69.5 Hours—Officer Charles Snider

Felony Reports:

- 1. 9 Thefts**
- 2. 1 Aggravated Residential Burglary (4 Suspects)**
- 3. 4 Felonies Drug Poss.**
- 4. 3 Domestic Battery**
- 5. 2 DWI**

March Training

44 Hours Active Shooter

April Training

Racial profile

