

EL DORADO CITY COMMISSION MEETING

April 3, 2023

The El Dorado City Commission met in a regular session on April 3, 2023 at 5:30 p.m. in the Commission Room with the following present: Mayor Bill Young, Commissioner Kelly Tetrick, Commissioner Gregg Lewis, Commissioner Leon Leachman, Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson, City Manager David Dillner, City Engineer Scott Rickard and Administration Director Tabitha Sharp. Absent: City Attorney Ashlyn Lindskog

VISITORS

Jason Patty	220 E 1 st Ave	El Dorado, KS
Phil Benedict	El Dorado Chamber of Commerce	El Dorado, KS
Haley Remsberg	220 E 1 st Ave	El Dorado, KS
Brad Meyer	220 E 1 st Ave	El Dorado, KS
Mike Holton	220 E 1 st Ave	El Dorado, KS
Emily Connell	El Dorado Main Street	El Dorado, KS

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Bill Young called the April 3, 2023 meeting to order.

INVOCATION

Pastor Stan Marten, First Presbyterian Church, opened the meeting with an invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The City Commission led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PROCLAMATION

Mayor Bill Young read the proclamation declaring April "Child Abuse Prevention Month".

PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Bill Young opened the floor for public comments.

There were no comments.

CONSENT AGENDA

Approval of Appropriation Ordinance No. 03-23 in the amount of \$1,524,735.12.

Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to approve the consent agenda as presented.

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Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

PUBLIC HEARING

There were no public hearings scheduled.

OLD BUSINESS

There was no old business.

NEW BUSINESS

AIRPORT ENTRY ROAD AND PARKING LOT PROJECT

Public Works Director Brad Meyer stated that this project will be to replace the road and parking area at the airport. He stated that the current entry road and parking were installed in the 1980's, rehabilitated in 2013, and have outlived their useful life. He stated that this is a 90/10 project with the FAA, so the City will only be responsible for 10% of the project cost.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson moved that since Pearson Construction LLC has submitted the lowest and best bid of \$542,684.75 for Airport Improvement Project (AIP) No. 3-20-0018-017/018 and Amendment No. 1 to the Engineering Services Agreement with Olsson, Inc. in the amount of \$116,600, the City Manager be directed to award the contract to said contractors and execute all documentation associated with the project providing that the company furnish the proper bonds.

Commissioner Leon Leachman seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

None.

REPORTS

CITY COMMISSION AND ADVISORY BOARD UPDATES

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson stated that Main Street met last week and because they did not have a quorum, they brainstormed new fund raising events.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis asked if there were any open positions on the advisory boards.

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Administration Director Tabitha Sharp stated that she didn't know off the top of her head, but would look and get back to the Commission tomorrow.

Mayor Bill Young stated that the Walnuts are looking for support in the community for the players coming in, he stated that they will beginning their season soon.

Mayor Young thanked the public safety personnel for their work on the grass fires over the weekend.

CITY MANAGER REPORT

City Manager David Dillner stated that he will be hosting a community meeting at BrewCo starting at 7:30 Tuesday morning. He stated that he will be hosting these events throughout the year to get more feedback from citizens.

City Manager Dillner stated that staff will be meeting with the contractor for the proposed restroom/concession facilities at the ball fields.

City Manager Dillner stated that the work in Township Village is completed aside from some minor clean-up.

City Manager Dillner stated that he knew the Commission had been getting questions regarding the drag show being hosted in June. He stated that the event is being sponsored with tourism funds which are derived from bed tax. He stated that tourism funds must be used to promote the community and provide events. He stated that the event was discussed at an Experience El Dorado meeting last year and was unable to come to fruition.

City Manager Dillner stated that Troy Palmer e-mailed him on Saturday and asked that the City consider taking the golf course back or allowing him to sell the property. He stated that the contract provides the City first right of refusal on the property.

Commissioner Kelly Tetrick stated that he doesn't want to get back into the golf course management business, but would like to know why they elected to sell the golf course and how much we were subsidizing the golf course.

City Manager Dillner stated that we sold the golf course in order to stop subsidizing the course. He stated that the course was subsidized to the tune of about \$250,000 per year. He stated that Mr. Palmer is concerned that he will be unable to keep it going because of the financial struggles he is experiencing.

Commissioner Gregg Lewis stated that he felt we need a golf course. He asked if it could be put in a land bank until we can make a decision.

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City Manager Dillner stated that we could, but we would need to figure out how to operate the facility in the meantime.

Commissioner Leon Leachman stated that he would like to see the options. He stated that we might be able to consider a 9-hole golf course.

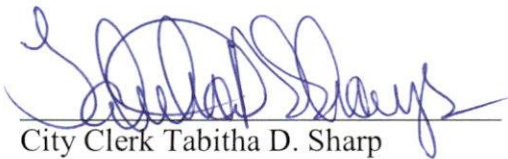
Mayor Bill Young stated that he agreed that we need a golf course, but would like to see the information on the course before we move forward with a decision.

ADJOURNMENT

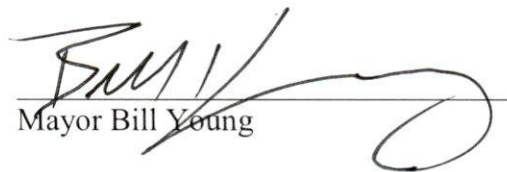
Commissioner Leon Leachman moved to adjourn the meeting at 5:56 p.m.

Commissioner Kendra Wilkinson seconded the motion.

Motion carried 5 – 0.



City Clerk Tabitha D. Sharp



Mayor Bill Young