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MINUTES OF THE EUDORA CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING

October 3, 2016

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Stephen Tisdale at 6:00 p.m. There were 6 aldermen present at roll call with Alderman Howard Brown arriving later into the meeting. Alderman Danita Turner arrived to meeting at 6:55 p.m.

Tree cutting services made presentation: Mitch Lawrence and Mark West (Top Branch Tree Service and All Around Tree Service). Mayor suggested council appropriate $10,000 to clean trees and debris off streets and appoint a couple of council members to work with him on a committee to address the issue.

Alderman Travis Collins suggested Forestry Commission (Trees USA) grant may be available. A Budget Committee meeting was suggested to establish where the $10000 would come from.

Alderman Frank Farris suggested Budget Committee meeting Monday, October 10, 2016, 1:00 p.m. for specific purpose of establishing availability of $10,000 for tree cutting and establishing a committee.

Alderman Travis Collins moved, Alderman Frank Farris seconded that today, October 3, 2016, agenda be amended to include tax resolution. Motion carried.

Alderman Travis Collins moved, Alderman Frank Farris seconded that Resolution for Tax Mills be adopted. Motion approved unanimously.

Alderman Robert Thomas moved, Alderman Frank Farris seconded that Engagement Letter for Water Audit be accepted. Motion passed unanimously.

Alderman Travis Collins moved, Aldermen Frank Farris/Howard Brown seconded that a policy for use of the football field by the fair/carnival be $200 per night, $1500 deposit for clean-up and property damage, provide private security that meet police standards and liability insurance of $2 million and current inspection of all rides. Motion passed unanimously.

Discussion of moving ambulance service ensued. Current contract for ambulance services expires December 31, 2016. Discussion resulted in this item will be added to Budget Committee agenda.

Mayor Tisdale requested authority to sign addendum to agreement for engineering services (500,000). Alderman Frank Farris moved, Alderman Travis Collins seconded that Mayor be given authority to sign addendum to Agreement for Engineering Services for water grant.

Easement Agreement status – progress is slow.

Alderman Travis Collins noted decrease in Line of Credit during financial report.

Balance of taxes owed to IRS as of Aug/Sept payments is approximately $45,000.00

Alderman Robert Thomas moved, Alderman Charlene Taylor seconded minutes of September 12, 2016 be approved. Motion carried.

Comments from Audience:

* Too much trash on streets-suggestions of police enforcing littering laws made as possible solution
* Building behind Chamber office need cleaning out
* No littering signs needed

 Other discussion:

* Need 2 weed eaters for Avery Terry
* $9000 for motor (chipper) blue pickup
* Avery Terry need a pickup which would protect him from weather as opposed to current transportation which leaves him exposed to weather variations. Truck will be parked near City Shop
* Mayor reported application for E-Waste Trailer grant

Alderman Travis Collins moved, Alderman Robert Thomas seconded that Council go into Executive Session. Motion carried. 7:21 p.m. Council went into Executive Session. Council reconvened at 7:45 p.m. No action reported.

Mayor reported presentation for park match grant rated 7.25 out of 7.30.

Meeting adjourned 7:53 p.m.

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Stephen Tisdale, Mayor Juanita Burton, City Clerk