



REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 18th, 2013 @ 6:00 P. M. at the Oran White Civic Center
MINUTES

The City of Tool, City Council meeting was called to order at 6:00 pm. Present were Councilmen Williams, Phillips, Sonka, and Wright. Council Member Reeder on vacation. Quorum was established with Mayor Pro-tem Phillips presiding. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance was led by Council Member Williams.

Motion to approve the Minutes for the Regular City Council Meeting: May 16th, 2013; and Special Meetings: May 30th, 2013, June 3rd, 2013, and June 7th, 2013 was made by Council Member Williams and seconded by Council Member Wright. Motion to approve carried 4-0.

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda relating to Monthly Activity Reports for Monthly Activity Reports for May 2013 and June 2013: (A) Municipal Court Report; (B) Police/Animal Control/Code Enforcement Report; (C) Financial and Expenditure Report; (D) Maintenance/Street Department Report; (E) Building Department Report; (F) City of Tool Volunteer Fire Department Report was made by Council Member Williams second by Council Member Sonka. Mayor Pro-tem Phillips noted that the City Financials have been corrected. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM 1: Order the November 05, 2013 General Election: for the purpose of electing a Mayor and two (2) Council. Motion made by Council Member Williams and second by Council Member Wright. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM 2: Consideration and or action to adopt Resolution 2013-01R, establishing procedures for the November 05, 2013 General Election. Motion made by Council Member Wright and second by Council Member Williams. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM 3: Consideration and or action to approve the 2013-2014 collection contract with the Henderson County Tax Office. Motion was made by Council Member Sonka and second by Council Member Wright. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM 4: Consideration and or action to approve a request from the Municipal Court to accept credit card payments online through "nCourt" processing. Court Clerk Rebecca Reeves was present and discussed the program with the Council. The nCourt program is free, there is no contract necessary (may quit program at any time), and there are no hidden fees attached. nCourt sets up the website and provides the use of it to the Court as well at no cost. Any cost incurred is collected from the defendant at time of their payment of fine. This program will eliminate the credit card machine now being used, as well as rid the court of its costs. Once defendant makes payment to nCourt, and email is sent to the Court asking to either accept or decline said payment. Motion to accept was made by Council Member Sonka and second by Council Member Wright. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM 5: Consideration and or action on amending the City of Tool Planning and Zoning Ordinance to allow specific use permits in Agricultural District – "RA" zoned areas. General discussion regarding whether to make changes to allow a mobile home in an Agricultural Zoned district, or whether to not change the zoning. Council Member Sonka made motion to not allow zoning change, seconded by Council Member Wright. Motion to not allow the zoning change carried by a vote of 3-1 with Council Member Williams opposed.

ITEM 6: Consideration and or action to approve inter-local agreements with: The City of Log Cabin for warrants and dispatch, The City of Caney City for warrants and dispatch and The City of Payne Springs for warrants only. Chief Grant was present and discussed that the Repeater will be moved to the top of WCCMUD water tower to ensure better reach for neighboring departments wishing to participate. Several cities have expressed an interest in have Tool PD dispatch for them as well as housing their warrants, for a small monthly fee. This will include Tool dispatch entering said cities warrants into the regional database. A related topic mentioned was that dispatching for other entities will help open the City for the opportunity to apply for and receive Grants. Motion to allow was made by Council Member Williams and second by Council Member Wright. Motion carried 4-0.

ITEM 7: General discussion on setting workshop dates. All Council Members were in agreement that any dates the City Secretary set for workshops are acceptable to them.



Mayor Pro-tem opened the floor to any questions the attending citizens may have. Topics of discussion were Arnold Hills Road, the burn ban, dispatch questions and water repair in Heatherwoods.


Motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Wright, second by Council Member Williams. Motion carried 4-0 at 6:28 pm.

Passed and approved this 15th day of August 2013


A.J. Phillips, Mayor Pro-Tem



ATTEST:


Makenzie Blaser, City Secretary