



CITY OF SALTILLO

Board Meeting and Public Hearing Notes January 4, 2022

The Saltillo Board of Alderman met January 4, 2022 at 6:00 p.m. in the city hall for the regular monthly meeting. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Lowery, followed by the pledge of allegiance, invocation was given by Alderman Billings. In attendance were Mayor Lowery and Aldermen Billings, Mainord, Reeves and Wood. Alderman Morgan was absent. The minutes were read with a motion to approve from Alderman Reeves, second motion by Alderman Billings, the minutes were approved as read. The mayor and board were provided with a copy of the expense and revenue report for December 2021.

Melvin Martin with Hardin County Emergency Management, Steve Turner and Brandon Harrington with the Saltillo Utility District have asked to be added to the meeting's agenda.

Old Business

1. Siren Grant-To date, a response has not been received. Alderman Billings advised that you can text 888777 for weather related instances. A reminder was issued that the Safe Shelter is open 24/7 and cameras are installed at that location for safety reasons
2. Vice Mayor-Tabled until February meeting.
3. Fire Truck-repairs are on hold, the mechanic has been recuperating from surgery. Mayor Lowery will assist Chief Young with repairs.

New Business

1. Street Lighting-Mayor Lowery reiterated that street lights will not be installed on private property. Gum Tree, Five Forks and Shady Lane areas were mentioned as possible sites.
2. Boat Dock repairs-Johnathan Delaney will make repairs to dock, Mr. Delaney advised that it is repairable, welds have to be ground and rewelded. Alderman Mainord will oversee future repairs as needed.
3. Salary Adjustment-Chief Young was present to deliver Christmas boxes which caused him to miss a day's salary with his full time employer, Alderman Reeves made a motion to pay Chief Young \$124 in missed salary for the day in question, Alderman Wood made a second motion. The motion passed. Venida will process the payment less taxes.
4. River Day-The River Day Committee will vote during their next meeting on changing the date of the River Day celebration to the fourth Saturday in September. The committee meeting is scheduled for January 26th.
5. Heritage Festival Committee-The committee will meet on Saturday, January 8th at 10:00 a.m. Volunteers are needed to help with the event.
6. Beer Permit-A beer permit was issued to the Lil Red Shed-they will provide data showing 51% of sales as food purchases for review.
7. ARPA funds-A new account was opened for ARPA funds at the People's Bank. Preliminary use of funds will need to be submitted to F & A by March 2022. Further discussions on the use of funds will continue during the February 2022 meeting.



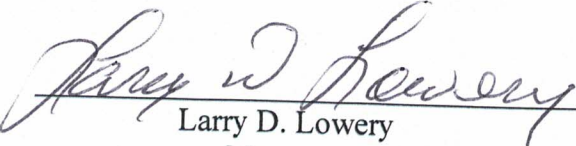
With current business discussions complete, the meeting was open to those who asked to be on the Agenda.

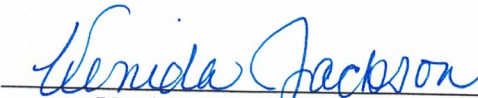
Melvin Martin the Emergency Management representative of Hardin County advised that Hardin County Fire Departments are always willing to help in any way possible. Chief Scott from District 1 also attended and advised that he unintentionally misrepresented the District 1 Fire Department and advised he is willing to help the Saltillo Volunteer Fire Department as needed. Mayor Lowery asked that both Saltillo and Hardin County Fire Departments work as a team for both fire calls and emergencies as Chief Scott has been an EMT for several years. Mr. Martin also suggested that for large events, Hardin County Fire will be able to assist with a command post.

Steve Turner asked about adjustments on property tax. Mayor Lowery advised that this will be addressed during budget meetings.

Brandon Harrington with the Saltillo Utility district shared the revenue and expense report for the Saltillo Utility District for board members to review.

With no additional business to discuss, a motion was made by Alderman Reeves and seconded by Alderman Billings to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried and the meeting was adjourned by Mayor Lowery.


Larry D. Lowery
Mayor


Venida Jackson
City Recorder