

City of Murchison
September 12, 2023 MINUTES
City Hall, 9540 FM 773
(903)469-3710

Call to order: 6pm Brad Gray

Pledge: JoAnn Swain

Prayer: Torance McClean

Public rec:

Amy Greely: Her house was re-piped, when meters weren't working then did then didn't, she crawled to see if meter fixed or leaking, still getting things fixed, was told getting fixed what is protocol to be notified that meter is fixed. Wants to be notified. (meter reading software gets set to zero usage) why aren't people getting notified? (Steven Hartley door tags – order some – with electronic meters/registers, only ones that needed to be physically fixed if not able to be fixed electronically) keep track of registers and meters of those that have been worked on and fixed GREELY WORK ORDER AND FURLONG

Connie Haynes: are cameras installed, oath of office DS not found, a complaint form to be created for employees

Accept financials and minutes from August: motioned Torance McClean 2nd JoAnn Swain; passed

Mayor Pro - Tem report:

1. Implemented one way street in front of school, it's helped tremendously in the mornings superintendent greatly appreciated it
2. LJA charter for fiber optic, been affected on 773 already. They will be on city streets, ariel lines, some buried, first second Asher, snooks stella third down 31 3710. They will be installing throughout the city.
3. last EDC meeting presented check for \$7500 business assistant program to smith and sons to put in fence. Joann asked about the grants, after 3-month period it closed, will be reopened after first of the year
4. Citizens Christmas committee, November fest on the forth, bee line is making banner, time of fest still up in the air, vendors are reaching out, 4 def that are going to come. Chili cookoff, grand prize to be awarded, donation based to attend. All proceeds will go to Christmas fest in dec, will be looking for volunteers, one live band already. 100-amp power at the field, generator possible, donation from elder dodge. Last year MVFD puts on Christmas fest and Micah is more festive to do more than the small tree, Harville is donating tree, parade breakfast festival, tree lighting for the community for free

Water report: Steven Hartley water system eight leaks on 2 different lines in front of school. Leak today on cardinal, James Hardin says leak already fixed and flushed. Atmos and fiber locates done tomorrow, lift station fixed today pipes replaced one more pipe tie in after meeting. Overheating from previous, creek clean up coming in tomorrow AAA Sanitation, obtaining quotes for well at WWP, registers for meters are working. Finding 31 pasture address. Small leak by 31 and mockingbird TM asked about mobile home valve being shut off, end of actual street is a puddle at the highway it's on list and figure out not impact out to donna. WEEKLY REPORT

24th of August cited 14 violations:

Non compliance report wasn't reported, submitted one water came out bottom of manhole that was covered by grass. There's nothing to notify of that, sanitary sewer overflow of continuous flow needs reported if not fixed immediately

Need a plan with time line to send in to TCEQ within 30 days. Unless there's an issue with info sent in they will let it ride

Prevent in the future by checking frequently finding a way to notify when tank fills. Cannot back date it because they know we didn't file it

Failure to prevent nuisance: unaware in ditch and creek, only thing we knew about was by 773, AAA Sanitation 8:30 come out Wednesday morning, initial quote: \$200 per truck, \$150 per hour work crew 0.15 per gallon they pump out

Failure to remove ww 773 no fan in chlorine: single chlorine no fan needed, either fix fan or remove it. We are going to fix it, its prob corroded

Drying beds need clean: not enough solids to put in beds, even if you don't need them, they have to be operational. The furthest bed works we don't have the solids. The first two need valves to get in working order. Third one needs pipe to pump into it. Greg to weed out the grass. Valves replaced 4" line, beds will be operational if the valves are replaced GET QUOTE FOR VALVES

Cracks in wall water chamber: aware of that already, drain out two chambers to fix the cracks, a portable pump and pump to the other to fix it. Take pictures of repairs to send as well as invoices. Cement: epoxy to fill it and fix it

Emergency power not at the plant:

No primary flow present: this plant has never had one. We put in nine months ago, also need stab gauge to get installed incase power goes out manually read

No railings and those that are need replaced: cat walk and railings 15 foot on each side need replaced, some ag shops will have them fabricate it. City will buy the material look around for bids of welders

Clarifier arm has motor up and rakes aren't visible, cannot tell if operating. They are saying it cannot be visible to see, the motor is running everything seems to be working, record shaft working but they cannot see the rakes moving sludge judge can be put in there, video could take to see the movement of the arm

Recommend strongly pumping out lift station: stuff has been dipped out, rock came out today, a lot of trash in there. They are saying additional issue to get joey pump it out completely. They can come out and pump solids out, Steve dipped floaters

Strongly recommend VOD food to micro ratio at the plant, have to fix lift station first to get handle on this. We have the bottles to collect influence samples

PUT ON BILLS TO NOT FLUSH TRASH DOWN TOILET

Lift station overflowing, fed up with six or seven times about the 773 pumps shut down and manhole overflowed and wants it fixed, not about the violations its about the residents, plan is wanted asap, call box, digital floats, whatever has to be done to get rid of the problem. Hickman is supposed to send quotes for ultra sonic, can set it up call box to call when not working properly, over tank is out there, as soon as it hits a certain level, to notify steven. Couple hours can switch off and become a bigger problem. 9 out of 10 there's chance in area. TM brought up possibly having someone in city at all times, if he's out of area then it will over flow continuously. The permit allows X number to flow out there. The waste in the creek is from manhole not WWP. TCEQ looking at long term views. As long as under certain amount and we report it it's not a violation. Possible macerator pump to be planned drawn up and submitted to TCEQ.

Pictures of trash on ground, lift station, WWP, getting stuff picked up. Outside fence inside fence on 773, the yard by fence. All the trash and pipes still on the ground. Concrete blocks, buckets of sludge. Brought up by TM, Steve says they are cleaning it up and working on cleaning up trash left by them and 7H which is Steven responsibility. Unacceptable to be seen by any driving by to be cleaned this week

Old business:

1. 232k grant submitted to Henderson County first round not approved, Aug. 18 was second round and was submitted. There is money left over and a good chance of getting some of it. Will find out or updated end of September
2. solar panel now working at 90% was fixed and cleaned to be at 100%, will pull numbers of how much we have saved on power to sell back to electric
3. city wide clean up October 20th weekend we will getting 2 30-yard dumpsters for free, we will get 1 extra roll off for \$500 to have 3 for that weekend. Friday 1 to 5, sat 1030 to 5, sun 1 to 5 based on space

Motion: Torance McClean 2nd Joann Swain passed

New business:

1. order to cancel with unopposed candidates from Q filing authority, Jeremy Smith Gayle Furlong Cristoval G and Brad Gray
 - a. motioned by Torance McClean 2nd Joann Swain passed
2. window broken two quotes from trinity valley both panes have to be replaced \$391.23 Athens glass \$425
 - a. motioned Joann Swain accept tri valley Torance McClean 2nd passed

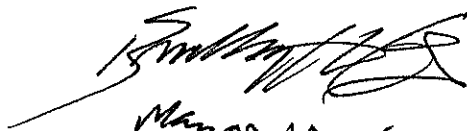
3. car lot 31 and 2nd two building for the permits, Torance wants to reach out why no permit, length etc. send 30-day letter to find out more.

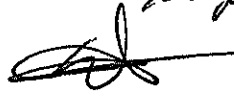
a. Motioned Brad Gray 2nd Joann Swain, passed

4. prior to first of year we had different website provider, previous we had email notifications were sent, when we switched, we lost the capability to get text and email notifications. Currently pay \$1k a year could set us up with \$900 set up \$1050 up front. Torance asked if we can get another provider TABLED
Brad Gray

Adjourned at 7:55pm Motioned Joann Swain 2nd Brad Gray passed

Next meeting October 10

 Bradley Gray
Mayor pro-tem

 Q Wilcox
city secretary

Approved on: 10-10-23

Posted on 10-12-23