

CITY OF COOPER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING – REGULAR
JANUARY 8, 2024 – 5:30 PM

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: DARREN BRADY; MAYOR, DAVID PHILLIPS, SCOTTY DEATHERAGE, LINDA BARNES, DIANE STEGALL AND JOSH HOSKISON

CITY ATTORNEY: JAY GARRETT

OTHERS PRESENT: EMILY HOWSE, KEN APPLGATE, CAROLYN BACY, ELMO ROBINSON, KAREN ATKINS. SUSAN RASER, JETER CHERRY, SHEILA CHERRY, CHRIS DONNAN, SHAUNA HOLLOWAY, JEFF HOLLOWAY, VIA ZOOM: JOE ADAMS, LINDA IPHONE, BRENDA PEREZ AND GALAXY S-21

AGENDA ITEM #1

Mayor Darren Braddy called the meeting to order and Darren also voiced the prayer.

AGENDA ITEM #2

No public comments were made.

AGENDA ITEM #3

Josh Hoskison made the motion to approve the December 11, 2023 minutes as written. Diane Stegall seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #4

Mayor Darren Braddy presented to the council that Chris Donnan, with Hayter Engineering was present to ask the council to engage in a non-binding contract for services. Chris Donnan greeted the council and thanked them for allowing him the time to speak. Chris stated that Hayter Engineering had worked with the City of Cooper for many years. He said that numerous times there had been no charge for discussions on small projects, and this would continue which, in his opinion, was an attribute in continuing a good business relationship with the city. Chris stated that sometimes more in-depth discussions and actions could be needed and the contract presented would allow time saving engagement at a no risk and no binding obligations unless the city summoned such services. Chris stated that this contract was strictly time to time services as needed and requested by the city. Hourly fees would be determined case by case depending on the quality of services requested.

It was the consensus of the council to approve the non-binding at will contract with Hayter Engineering. David Phillips made the motion to approve the non-binding at will contract with Hayter Engineering. Scotty Deatherage seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #5

Diane Stegall made the motion to re-appoint Bettie Roseman and Cynthia Steward and appoint Kathy Houchins to replace Regina White to a two-year term, expiring January 2026, to the Cooper Housing Authority Board. Linda Barnes seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #6

Josh Hoskison made the motion to re-appoint Carolyn Bacy and Kathy Houchins for a four-year term, expiring February 2028, to the Zoning Commission. Diane Stegall seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #7

Linda Barnes made the motion to re-appoint Barbara Phillips, for a two-year term expiring February 2026, to the Sulphur River Municipal Water Board (SRMWD). Scotty Deatherage seconded. David Phillips abstained from voting. Vote to re-appoint Barbara Phillips carried.

AGENDA ITEM #8

Josh Hoskison made the motion to re-appoint Denise Braddy, for a two-year term expiring January 2026, to the Sulphur River Regional Mobility Authority (SURRMA). Diane Stegall seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #9

Mayor Darren Braddy presented to the council the notice of time warrant that would be published in the paper. Mayor Braddy stated that a notice must be published before a resolution could be brought for approval. Mayor Braddy stated that the resolution for the time warrant would be prepared for the February meeting.

No action was needed or taken.

AGENDA ITEM #10

Mayor Darren Braddy presented to the council that a request for a handicap parking place had been made. Mayor Braddy stated that it would be on the North Side Square farthest west space.

Diane Stegall made the motion to approve the handicap parking place on the North Side Square farthest west space. Scotty Deatherage seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #11

Mayor Darren Braddy updated the council on the McKinney house repairs.

AGENDA ITEM #12

Mayor Darren Braddy updated the council on water leaks, publishing of Code Enforcer position and street repairs.

AGENDA ITEM #13

Monthly budget reports were reviewed.

AGENDA ITEM #14

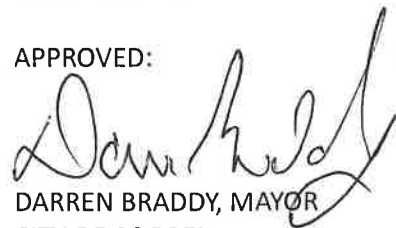
Monthly accounts payable were reviewed.

AGENDA ITEM #15

Diane Stegall made the motion to adjourn. David Phillips seconded. Vote unanimous.

TIME: 6:23 PM

APPROVED:



DARREN BRADDY, MAYOR
CITY OF COOPER

ATTEST:



EMILY HOWSE
CITY SECRETARY