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MINUTES
JANUARY 8, 2024
REGULAR MEETING

Meeting was called to order: 5:30pm

1. Last Month checks and minutes were approved but Councilman J.R Smith wanted to clarify that the check written to Ray Vann and Associates the month before was void and a new check was issued for the payment amount. It was confirmed by City Secretary that the check in question was voided and a new check was written. Motion was made to approve Last Months Checks and Minutes.

Motion by: Wendell Moore
All Approve

2nd: Greggory Cole

2. Elect Rayford Gipson to run 2024 election, was briefly discussed and Pro-Tem: Tate Smith raised an issue, that there are 3 ladies that work for the city and they could assist with voting so Mr. Gipson doesn't have to get paid for all the hours. Mayor Don Hall addressed the concern by letting Mr. Smith know that, this was to elect him to run the election of 2024 only. Next month agenda will be payment and what hours for Rayford Gipson. At that time, a motion was made by Tate Smith to elect Rayford Gipson to run the 2024 Election.

Motion by: Tate Smith
All Approve

2nd: Robin Palmer

3. Purchase ladder rack for water-works Cody Jones.

Everyone agreed that he needs a ladder rack and that would also serve the purpose for hauling PVC Pipes. No invoice was produced, but Cody pulled it up on Amazon and the price was \$612.00 plus.

Wendell mentioned, East Texas trucking might have a reasonable one. It was determined that Cody would be allowed to order one as long as it's reasonable. A motion was made to purchase ladder rack but to keep it reasonable. Within the perimeters of the price that was mentioned.

Motion by: Wendell Moore
All Approve

2nd: Greggory Cole

4. Chief James Smith Discussed Different grants that he was researching to help with things needed for PD.

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5. Stripping Patrol unit for water-works.

Chief James Smith addressed the council with the request of \$ 800.00 rough estimate to help with stripping down patrol unit and re-installing in patrol unit purchased from rusk county with funds from seizure money. The council asked about the Lights. Chief said the company will remove the red and blue lights but leave amber lights and lights for safety issues. Councilman Moore liked the idea that lights were left to provide safety. Motion was made to approve the Stripping and Installation and that the city would pay the rough estimate that Chief James Smith mentioned.

Motion by: Wendell Moore
All Approve

2nd: Greggory Cole

6. Approval of graphic design for the City of Tatum Police Department.

Chief James Smith showed a design that he like and explained to the council that this would be the design for the city patrol vehicles.

A motion was made by, councilman Greggory Cole to accept the design.

Motion by: Greggory Cole
All Approve

2nd: Wendell Moore

7. Discuss and Motion on Attorney Ronald Stutes invoice.

This item was skipped to finish agenda and this item would be last so council can go to executive session.

8. Monthly Report: Information only: Water-Works, Michael Morton

9. Monthly Report: Information only: Tatum Volunteer Fire Dept, Rayford Gipson

10. Monthly Report: Information only: TEDCO/Nakia Smith

11. Monthly Report: Information only: Tatum Police Dept, Chief James Smith

12. Information Only: Officer's Activity Report

13. Information Only: Officer's Citation Report

Meeting was called for Executive Session to discuss item #7 Attorney Ronald Stutes's Invoice.
6:09Pm

Meeting was called back to order at 6:21Pm. Item #7 will be tabled for next month and Mayor-Don Hall will get information regarding the invoice in question.

Motion by: Tate Smith to adjourn. All in Favor.
Meeting Adjourned-6:25Pm

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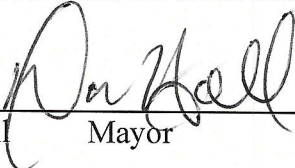
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Don Hall Mayor

