

Russell City Council Meeting
August 14, 2023

Members present:

Tracy Klotz, Mayor
Diane Mayfield
Brenda Poole
Eugene Webber
Barbara Parks
Darrell Lutner

Brea Timberlake, IJ & water meter reader
Tommy Sanford, IJ

Visitors: None

The meeting was called to order with the pledge of allegiance and a prayer. The minutes were read with motion to approve by Mayfield and second by Webber and 4-0 vote to approve.

Tommy Sanders, IJ: The water tower is up for inspection. He recommended waiting to fix the cable until after the inspection so as to make any other needed repairs at the same time. He is looking for someone to hire for the inspection.

Water Dept Update, Barbara Parks

Parks gave a reporting of the Water Department's accounts, both deposits and expenditures with handouts for the council members and Mayor Klotz to review.

Treasurer Update, Barbara Parks

Parks presented the council with the monthly bank statements and accounting reconciliation reports.

Old Business

Mayor Klotz

Schoolhouse Vandalism: An attempt to get a second quote for window repairs is being made.

Brea's Compensation: It is proposed we pay Brea for mileage based on the current federal rate, \$0.655/mile. Barbara Parks will improve the meter reading sheets to help make reading meters more efficient.

Webber made a motion to approve mileage payment, Mayfield seconded. Approved with a 4-0 vote.

The millage vote will take place at the September council meeting.

New Business

Vote on the proposed changes to the Water Policy that was handed out at the special meeting on August 6th, 2023, including better enforcement of shut-off for non-payment.

Webber made a motion to approve, Lutner seconded. Approved with a 4-0 vote.

Website Proposal: Barbara Parks reports that a city and water department website is available at a total cost of \$806.00 and a yearly cost of \$457.00 after the first year. There is a 30-day no-risk guarantee and the site can be used for credit card water bill payments as well as community information.

Mayfield made a motion to approve, Webber seconded. Approved with a 4-0 vote.

There was no further business and the meeting was adjourned, motion by Webber, seconded by Mayfield, approved with a 3-0 vote.

[Approved and Signed Sep 11, 2023]

Tracy Klotz, Mayor

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Barbara Parks, Recorder/Treasurer