

# REGULAR MEETING

July 7, 2014

A Regular Meeting of the Eldorado City Council was held on Monday, July 7, 2014, at the City Hall with all Council Members present except George Arispe. Councilmember Jesse Rubio arrived at 6:49 PM. The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM. Also present were Staff Members Floyd Fay, Juanita Gomez, Melissa Truelove and Theo Melancon. Also present was Randy Mankin of the Eldorado Success, Keith McCormack, Jennifer Henderson, Jennifer Doran and Maria Huichapa.

## COUNCIL DISCUSSION/ACTION:

6:05 PM

Keith McCormack met with the council in regards to having a watering fine resended. He was not at home when the violation occurred and a teenager that does not reside with him used his water to rinse off the front of her vehicle. A motion was made by Danny Halbert and seconded by Vicki Farmer to resend the fine. The motion carried.

Jennifer Doran met with the council on behalf of Stacie Juracek/Main St. Days. Main Street Days committee is requesting that the streets of Gillis and Main be closed on July 26, 2014 from 10 AM – 2 PM. They are also asking for exemption of water usage restrictions for the use of water slides, dunking booths and cleanup. A motion was made by Lupe Herrera and seconded by Vanessa Covarrubiaz. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Vanessa Covarrubiaz and seconded by Lupe Herrera to amend the agenda to add Jennifer Doran. The motion carried.

Jennifer Doran met with the council to appeal the previous month's decision to deny her a refund of her unapplied EMS discount. A motion was made by Danny Halbert and seconded by Lupe Herrera to resend the previous denial and grant Jennifer Doran a refund to her utility account for the corrected amount with discount applied. The motion carried.

Water Fines Schedule was discussed with no action taken.

A motion was made by Danny Halbert and seconded by Vanessa Covarrubiaz to hold a Budget Workshop on July 21, 2014 at 6 PM. The motion carried.

## CODE ENFORCEMENT UPDATE:

6:28 PM

A motion was made by Danny Halbert and seconded by Vicki Farmer to allow Mrs. Henderson (Block F, Lot 11-12, Original Town) a 30 day extension with a re-evaluation at the next council meeting. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Lupe Herrera and seconded by Vanessa Covarrubiaz to allow Mrs. Huichapa (Block Y, Lot 2A, Original Town) 60 days to get windows and doors in place. She must also hire a contractor by this time. The property will be re-evaluated after the 60<sup>th</sup> day. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Danny Halbert and seconded by Vanessa Covarrubiaz to allow Mrs. Sanchez (Block 4U, Lot 1-2, Christian Addition) 30 days to clean the property, enclose the existing storage building, and cover up the boat on the property. Mrs. Sanchez was informed that in order to build a fence a survey needs to be done on the property. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Jesse Rubio and seconded by Vicki Farmer to notify Ms. Rojas (Block 4L, Lot 7, Christian Addition) that a date will be set by the City within 2 weeks to remove all junk from the property and stored at a City location for no more than 30 days. Any items not picked up from City possession by the 31<sup>st</sup> day is subject to being trashed or auctioned by the City. A cleaning fee will be assessed at the time of services rendered which will also include a storage fee. The motion carried.

A motion was made by Danny Halbert and seconded by Jesse Rubio to allow Mr. Cardona (Block 4J, Lot 11, Christian Addition) 30 days to clean the property. The property will be scheduled for clean up by the City on the 31<sup>st</sup> day. A cleaning fee starting at \$1000 will be assessed at the time of services rendered. The motion carried.

## MAYOR PRO TEM ELECTION:

7:09 PM

A motion was made by Lupe Herrera and seconded by Danny Halbert to elect Jesse Rubio as Mayor Pro Tem. The motion carried.

## UTILITY SUPERINTENDENT'S REPORT:

7:11 PM

Mr. Fay reported that there have been several leaks reported within the city. The City had a leak at Sunrise. The City received several violations at the Wastewater Plant. The violations were all non-fined violations for filing discrepancies. Floyd reported that Jeremy Ussery has obtained his WW 'C' license. The gas system was reported as running fine. The trash truck was reported as running fine. Mr. Fay reported that chipping and patching are currently being done. It was reported that 8 lots in Christian Addition have been cleaned up to aid with Code Enforcement. The current water level was reported at 317.75 feet. Water usage is up 9% from this time last year.

## CITY ADMINISTRATOR/SECRETARY REPORT:

7:20 PM

Melissa Truelove provided the June 2014 tax distribution report to the council for review. The Council reviewed the June financial reports. Mr. Melancon reported that an internship with Angelo State University has been discussed and he is in contact with Patrick Howard. An internship with Schleicher County ISD High School is also being looked into. Mr. Melancon reported that he entered into a contract on behalf of the City with National 1 Energy. This locked in a low rate for the City until May 2018. Mr. Melancon brought to the council attention that Republic Services has contacted him and requested an adjustment in their upcoming new landfill rates. The new rates for commercial haulers outside of Schleicher County is set at \$65/ton, Republic was wanting something in the \$45/ton price range. The council did not agree with this offer. Mr. Melancon informed the council that a reimbursement request of \$18,000 has been sent to CVCOG. Mr. Melancon updated the council on his recent TCMA conference.

## OLD BUSINESS:

8:20 PM

Minutes of the June 9, 2014 Regular Meeting was reviewed, and a motion was made by Jesse Rubio and seconded by Danny Halbert to approve the minutes. The motion carried. Current bills were reviewed, and motion was made by Lupe Herrera and seconded by Vanessa Covarrubiaz to pay the bills. The motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting adjourned at 8:22 PM.

*Melissa Truelove*

Melissa Truelove, City Secretary

Date: 8-11-14

APPROVED:

*John Nikolauk*

John Nikolauk, Mayor

**SPECIAL MEETING**  
**July 21, 2014**

A Special Meeting of the Eldorado City Council was held on Monday, July 21, 2014, at 6:00 PM at the City Hall. The meeting was called to order by Mayor Nikolauk at 6:02 PM. All Council Members were present. Also present was City Administrator Theo Melancon and City Secretary Melissa Truelove.

**BUDGET AMENDMENT #1 – 2013-2014 BUDGET:**

A motion was made by Jesse Rubio and seconded by Vicki Farmer to approve the proposed budget amendment. The motion carried

**BUDGET WORKSHOP – PROPOSED 2014-2015 BUDGET:**

Mr. Melancon went line by line through the proposed budget. No changes to the proposal were made. Budget hearing will be set at the August 11, 2014 Council Meeting.

*Melissa Truelove*

Melissa Truelove, City Secretary

APPROVED:

*John Nikolauk*

John Nikolauk, Mayor

DATE:

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