



## *City of White*

### *City Council Meeting*

#### **Council Meeting**

1. **Call Meeting to Order:** Curtis Powell called the meeting to order. All council members were present. Jean Swank was taking minutes. Curtis explained that Gary Crisp and Sherry Walker had both resigned their relative positions and that the attorney that was to swear in the new Mayor (Curtis Powell) would be late to the meeting because of a previous engagement.
2. **Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:** Curtis led the pledge of Allegiance. Stephanie Nichelson gave the Invocation.
3. **Approval of Minutes:** The City Clerk did not distribute the minutes for the March 6<sup>th</sup> meeting. Therefore, approval of the minutes was postponed until the next meeting.
4. **Announcements and Reports**
  - 1) Jimmy Nichols – Water Department: Reported on:
    - a. Gallons of water used as 2,885,000.
    - b. 2 leaks in service lines.
  - 2) Issues with Bush hog – A trade of Bush hogs was made and \$500 was paid out on the city's behalf. The trade, made by Gary Crisp, was not done in accordance with municipal procedures. Stephanie has researched the issues and is ready to turn over the information to the City Attorney.
    - a. Last week Jimmy was accused of opening a letter that was not addressed to him. The lock was changed on the PO Box and Jimmy was not informed of that fact nor was he told to stop picking up mail.
    - b. Jimmy brought up that his department was being told to change the oil and do other maintenance on police cars. Evidently, Perry started this process but there is now a question of whether this is appropriate.\*
  - 3) Chief Smith – Police Department: Reported on:
    - a. The Truck Traffic signs have been moved to

appropriate locations.

b. They are continuing to patrol the area and monitor speed and give tickets as appropriate.

4) **Curtis Powell – Planning and Zoning: Reported on:**

a. At this time there are no issues to present to the City Council. We anticipate that a request for rezoning of an R1 property to R3 to allow them to bring in a mobile home will be brought to the commission in the next month.

5) The attorney swore Curtis Powell in as Mayor.

5. **Unfinished Business: - None**

6. **New Business:**

a. Rental of ball field – Setting fees at \$35 a day for Resident and \$50 a day for non-Resident was proposed. Stephanie made the motion to approve and Kim Billue seconded it. The fees were approved with a 3-0 vote.

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7. **Public Comments:**

a. **William Watkins** – Issues include:

i. wasteful spending and no budget: **Curtis Powell**  
= The Budget was worked on this weekend and is in pretty good shape. He asked for Department heads for Budget feedback for FY2024.

ii. Cost of Mayor race – will find out the cost per voter was for the last race.

iii. Crisp resignation.

b. **Curtis Powell** – We need to call a special election. To do so we must have an Election Superintendent and Table until next month or call a special meeting.

There will be elections in June and September that we might be able to piggyback on. Also, unless we have a City Clerk, we need to have a person to be able to act as Election Superintendent. Table until next month or call a special meeting.

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