## City of Hawkins City Council Minutes February 22, 2021

On this day February 22, 2021 at 6:00 PM, Mayor Stephen Lucas called a regular City Council meeting to order with council members Cody Jorgenson, Clara Kay, Wende Haney, Greg Branson and Eric Maloy present. The department heads present were: Norma Hallmark, Bucky Elkins, and Dona Jordan.

Pastor Peck gave the invocation.

In the Mayor's comments, Mayor Lucas stated that he wanted to thank the Police, Fire, and Utility departments for all their hard work during the winter storm. Mayor Lucas stated that the City had no major problems.

There was no presentation from Perdue Brandon Fielder Collins & Mott law firm regarding the Annual Collection of property taxes. No one was present from the firm.

Mayor Lucas opened the floor for discussion regarding the City of Hawkins Auditor, Attorney, and Engineering Firms. Wende Haney stated that she had requested that the item be placed on the agenda. Mrs. Haney stated that she had been very vocal regarding the engineering firm in the past. Mrs. Haney stated that she believes that the City needs new eyes and ears on their business. Mrs. Haney stated that she would like to see the Council look into finding other firms to represent the City of Hawkins.

Mayor Lucas stated that he had been contacted by Texas Department of Transportation regarding the school zone. The Mayor stated that TXDOT would be extending the zone out into the County past the City's maintenance barn.

Wende Haney made a motion to approve the minutes for the January 19, 2021 and January 25, 2021 Council meetings; seconded by Clara Kay. The motion passed unanimously.

Cody Jorgenson made a motion to approve the departmental reports; seconded by Greg Branson. The motion passed unanimously.

Greg Branson made a motion to approve the Investment Report for the quarter ending December 31, 2020; seconded by Clara Kay. The motion passed unanimously.

Discussion began regarding repairs to Brush #2 truck for the Hawkins Fire Department. Bucky Elkins, Fire Chief, stated that the repairs would be about \$4300 and that there was no guarantee that the truck would be fixed. Eric Maloy made a motion to repair the truck; seconded by Clara Kay. Eric Maloy and Clara Kay voted for the motion. Cody Jorgenson, Wende Haney, and Greg Branson voted against the motion. The motion so failed.

The Council took no action regarding a change in the payment structure for the Volunteer Fire Fighters.

Eric Maloy made a motion to approve a building permit for a storage shed for 161 Dwight Street to Joshua Waymire; seconded by Cody Jorgenson. The motion passed unanimously.

Mayor Lucas opened the floor for discussion of By Law changes to the Hawkins Community Development Corporation. Greg Branson stated that the changes would allow someone who lives within 10 miles of the City of Hawkins to be board member as long as they reside in Wood County. Wende Haney stated that she believed the By Laws had been written with the requirement that Board Members live within the city limits for a reason. Mayor

Lucas stated that he did not support the By Law changes. Eric Maloy made a motion to not approve the By Law changes for the Hawkins Community Development Corporation; seconded by Wende Haney. Eric Maloy, Wende Haney, Clara Kay, and Cody Jorgenson voted to not approve the By Law changes. Greg Branson did not vote. The agenda item so failed.

Clara Kay made a motion to approve the payment structure for cleaning of City building as follows: Susan Goodwin clean City Hall, Police Department, and Fire Station for \$32 per building per week for a total of \$384.00; Norma Hallmark clean the Library for \$246 per month. The motion was seconded by Wende Haney. The motion passed unanimously.

Wende Haney made a motion to approve a building permit for 160 Loye Lane for a new home and shed to Charles and Sandra Richoz; seconded by Eric Maloy. The motion passed unanimously.

Greg Branson made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Eric Maloy. The motion passed unanimously.

Stephen Lucas, Mayor

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Attest:

Dona R Jordan, City Secretary

## City of Hawkins City Council Minutes February 25, 2021

On this day February 25, 2021 at 1:00 PM, Mayor Stephen Lucas called Special City Council Meeting to order with council members Greg Branson, Clara Kay, Wende Haney, and Cody Jorgenson present. Eric Maloy was not present for the meeting. The department head present was Dona Jordan.

Clara Kay gave the invocation.

Mayor Lucas called for a motion for the Certification of Unopposed Candidates for the May 1, 2021 election. Clara Kay made a motion to certify the unopposed candidates; Clara Kay, Place 1; Susan Hubbard, Place 4; and Greg Branson, Place 5. Greg Branson seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Greg Branson made a motion to approved the Order of Cancellation of the May 1, 2021 election; seconded by Greg Branson. The motion passed unanimously.

Wende Haney made a motion to adjourn the meeting; seconded by Greg Branson. The motion passed unanimously.

Stephen Lucas Mayor

Date

Dona R Jordan, City Secretary