

Émerado City Council Regular Council Meeting Monday, November 6, 2023. The city council met on November 6, 2023 @ 7pm, 201 Main Street. Future Council Meeting: December 4, 2023. Mayor Lanes started the meeting at 7pm. Roll Call Vote: T Wynn, T Kramer, J Linneman, T Hanson. Mayor let record show all members present. M/S/C (TH/TW) Approval of Council Agenda and past minutes from Council Mtg on October 2, 2023. Mayor let record show all in favor. M/S/C (TK/JL) Approval of Financial Reports, approval of October bills paid, and approval of paying of upcoming bills for November 2023. Mayor let record show all in favor and approval of paying upcoming bills for November 2023. Roll Call: T Wynn, T Kramer, J Linneman, T Hanson. Mayor let record show all in favor.

Mayor Lanes explained there was a hearing for blighted structures at Acks Mobile Home Park and he turned it over to City Attorney Warcup. Warcup explained an Order to Demolish was served on George Neice the owner of the property on 4/1/2023 with work to be completed by 10/3/2023. He explained Chief Lund had declared it uninhabitable or dangerous. Since the Notice of Hearing was served on Neice there has been some additional work done. The current status is that Neice has cleaned up the lots that were in question. George Neice also stated he was working on two other lots as well. Warcup stated that George has completed the work that was asked in the Order, so no further action needed. Mayor Lanes and council thanked George for working with the city to clean up those lots, and to expect to continue to work on cleaning up the mobile home park.

Police Report: Chief Lund gave his police report. Yearly stats 48 citations, 63 case reports and for October had 39 calls for service. He told council he had obtained some quotes for in car camera and computer and has applied for the Myra Grant and sent letter to the Lions Club. He also talked about the patrol car and stated when that time comes, he will apply for grants through Enbridge and BNSF to help. He also talked about a program through WSI for physicals for law enforcement personnel once a year, and that there's \$250 reimbursement to the city.

Street Signs: Mayor Lanes he had requested quotes for new street signs/traffic signs for the city, but he had not received the quotes back before the meeting, so this will be tabled till next meeting.

Snow Removal: Mayor stated he had a few complaints on the first snow fall of the year and reminded people they need to have cars removed off the streets so they can be cleaned properly. Mayor Lanes stated that the main roads will be done first as they are emergency routes (Emery, Hancock, Main, 6th Street) Chief Lund will go out and place notices on cars before snow fall, if possible, to have them moved.

Server: Auditor explained after meeting with Connecting Point it was determined the city does not need to purchase a server as we already have Microsoft 365, and we can use cloud base storage and MSP backup through Connecting Point. Except for Banyon, which will be backed up by an external hard drive. And due to Auditor needing new computer anyway, one will be ordered, and it will have an external hard drive for back-up and the front desk computer will be replaced also. The quote for the two computers were \$2621.76. Council approved the purchase of the new computers through Connecting Point. Auditor also explained Connecting Point will help with the setup of VPN for her to work from home if need be.

City Hall Grant: Mayor Lanes explained that in the previous meetings the city hall flooring was tabled due to the city needing a new server, so an opportunity came up to apply for a grant through the Myra Foundation, so an application was submitted for the flooring (\$9000) and also to remodel to make an office for the Mayor (\$12,000). The total was around \$22,000. Decisions are made in December 2023.

DEBIT CARD PAYMENTS MADE IN OCTOBER 2023		AMOUNT
Cenex (PD)		\$281.05
Amazon (Cityhall & Mayor)		\$441.81
Menards & Party City (Trunk or Treat—Donation)		\$58.28
Walmart		\$22.94
USPS		\$117.24
Home of Economy (PD)		\$12.54
EB Law Enforcement (PD--training)		\$50.00
Apple.com (PD—iCloud)		\$9.99
Sams Club (PD-Gloves)		\$10.70
Rydells		\$80.56
GoDaddy (Website)		\$188.15
Probitas (Clothing)		\$1067.71
Tractor Supply		\$139.41
BILLS TO BE APPROVED TO BE PAID IN NOVEMBER 2023		AMOUNT
Banyon		\$3700.00
Schmitz Inc (Waiting for payment from Polar) Not a bill to be paid— waiting for payment from them		\$1125.00

Tree Lighting Ceremony: J Renfrow stated this was the 3rd Annual Tree Lighting ceremony and it is set for December 2, 2023, at 6pm.

Fire Dept Gaming Permit: Mayor Lanes explained the Emerado Fire Dept applied for a gaming permit through the City of Emerado for their raffle drawing during the Rado Run on January 6, 2023. M/S/C (TH/TK) Motion to approve the gaming permit for the Emerado Fire Dept for the January 6, 2023 raffle.

J Linneman stated he will try to get a lift and do some tree trimming around town. F Renfrow stated he would like the American Flag replaced at a residence in the trailer court as it is torn apart and disrespectful, they have a flag they would donate, Chief Lund will talk to the owner. E Bader stated they had about 50 trick-or-treaters at the Community Center and asked about her neighbor's fires as he has some pretty big fires at night. Chief Lund and the fire dept will visit with him about the fires and see if he has a burn permit. Auditor asked about the Pike property needing to be roped off where the house fell in, Mayor Lanes stated they would talk to the owner and make sure this gets roped off.

M/S/C (JL) Adjourn.


Jake Lanes/Mayor Date: 12/4/23


Janelle Klava/City Auditor Date: 12/4/23