Minutes

City of Gridley

Council Meeting

Wednesday

April 2, 2025

6:00 pm

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Mayor Steven Fuqua called the meeting to order at 6:00 PM. The City Council members present included Greg Yotz, Stella Eccles, Les Stone, R.J. Snovelle, and Dee Ann Goertzen. Also in attendance were City Water and Sewer Maintenance Operator Brian Isch, City Clerk Teresa Budd, Titan Rec Director Laurie Goracke, County Commissioner Wade Thomsen, Senior Citizen representatives Denny Birk and Linda Birk, Brady Rand, Lynsie Beyer, and City Attorney Clark Allemang, who attended via video conference.

Greg Yotz motioned to approve the March 5, 2025, Governing Body meeting minutes. Stella Eccles seconded, and all were in favor.

Greg Yotz motioned to approve the bills for March 2025 and April 2025. Les Stone seconded, and all were in favor.

Greg Yotz approved the agenda as written, with one addition: a Titan Thunder donation. Les Stone seconded, and all were in favor.

Denny Birk, the Senior Center representative from Voices of the Community, asked if there had been any offers on the 493 Highway 58 home.

Gridley Lake is open to the public for fishing and camping. The bathrooms have been winterized and closed, and the water supply to the campsites has also been shut off and winterized for the season. City Water and Sewer Maintenance Operator Brian Isch will open the Gridley Lake facilities in April, weather permitting.

Titan Recreation Director Laurie Goracke reported that the track season has started, with eight kids participating. Wee ball and T-ball kids are currently practicing. Three sponsors are needed for the baseball season.

Mayor Steven Fuqua announced the upcoming community events.

Old Business

The home at 493 Highway 58 is listed for sale on Zillow. A sidewalk and grass will be added. The City Council discussed hiring a realtor. City Council member Dee Ann Goertzen will distribute flyers to the businesses on Main Street. Gret Yotz motioned for the city to donate $500.00 to purchase plants and shrubbery for landscaping the home. Stella Eccles seconded, and all were in favor.

The City of Gridley is being reconsidered for approval of the Town's Grant. Council member Dee Ann Goertzen serves as the City’s Park and Recreation Commissioner.

The city is on a waiting list to conduct a survey on South Street, which will identify the boundaries of the city's property lines.

New Business

Coffey County Wellness Circuit representative Lindsay Beyer would like to hold the National Charge Syndrome Foundation Walk and Roll 5K and 1-mile run in Gridley. The event is scheduled for May 17, 2025; she expects 30 to 40 runners. The run would start at 8:00 a.m. and finish by 10:00 a.m. The City Council unanimously agreed to hold the event in Gridley.

Greg Yotz motioned to have the yearly Gridley Spring Cleanup Day on April 15, 2025. RJ Snovelle seconded, and all were in favor.

Greg Yotz motioned to approve the City's 2025-2026 insurance policies from Trust Point Insurance. Les Stone seconded, and all were in favor.

City Water and Sewer Maintenance Worker Brian Isch received a quote from Killough Construction to repair the city streets. The City Council wants to know if another company could provide a quote for the job. No action was taken. The discussion is tabled until the May 7, 2025, City Council meeting.

The Voice of the Mayor, Steven Fuqua, had nothing to report.

City Clerk Teresa Budd reported that the Sales and Use Tax for February 2025 amounted to $6,539.27. The city audit for 2024 is scheduled for April 16, 2025. Brian Isch attended the KRWA conference from March 25 to 27, 2025, to fulfill his continuing education certification hours. First quarter reports are due April 30, 2025. The City of Gridley now has an Instagram page on social media linked to our Facebook page.

The next City Council meeting is set for May 7, 2025, at 6 pm.

Titan Thunder directors Sarah Stewart and Laurie Goracke requested a donation for the 2025 Senior Banners. Greg Yotz motioned to donate $500.00 to Titan Thunder for the 2025 Senior Banners. Stella Eccles seconded, and all were in favor.

Greg Yotz motioned to adjourn the meeting, Stella Eccles seconded, and everyone was in favor. The meeting adjourned at 6:45 pm.

Teresa Budd

City Clerk