

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

The City Council of the City of Kyle, Texas met in Regular Session on March 25, 2016 at Kyle City Hall with the following persons present:

Mayor Todd Webster
Mayor Pro Tem David Wilson
Council Member Diane Hervol
Council Member Becky Selbera
Council Member Shane Arabie
Council Member Damon Fogley
Council Member Daphne Tenorio
Scott Sellers, City Manager
James Earp, Assistant City Manager
Jerry Hendrix, Chief of Staff
Robert Olvera, IT Manager
Harper Wilder, Public Works Director

I. Call Meeting To Order

Mayor Webster called the meeting to order at 5:02 p.m. Mayor Webster asked the secretary to call roll. Present were Mayor Webster, Mayor Pro Tem Wilson, Council Member Hervol, Council Member Selbera, Council Member Arabie, Council Member Fogley, Council Member Tenorio

II. Consider and Possible Action

1. Discussion and possible action for an emergency expenditure for sanitary sewer overflow. ~ R. Todd Webster, Mayor

Mayor Webster introduced Item No. 1. Mr. Sellers presented the issue. He stated that the initial assumption is that a power outage occurred as a result of the storm that took place on Thursday morning at the lift station at Bunton Branch. TCEQ has been notified. The extent of the spill is unknown at this time. While there is a fish kill on site, there are visible live fish as well. Due to live fish still in the creek, TCEQ advised the city to not drain the creek. An estimated 10-14 days are required to clean the water, and introduce more fresh water into the stream at that point. A preliminary cost estimation is \$20,000 - \$30,000. An electrician is on site looking at the generator. A phone system is connected, but the connection was found to be loose. Mr. Sellers stated there is money in the budget for SCADA this fiscal year, but it may not cover the full recovery. According to Jason Biemer, Division Manager - Treatment Operations, Mr. Sellers stated they will be \$15,000 - \$20,000 short.

Mayor Webster stated that he doesn't want staff to be locked into \$30,000. Mayor Pro Tem Wilson asked about whether TCEQ will fine the city. Mr. Sellers stated that the fine typically goes up when there is a fish kill, and the volume of sewage overflow. Mr. Sellers continued that the city is currently going through the Sanitary Sewer Overflow Initiative (SSOI) process with TCEQ,

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which is a partnership with TCEQ to overhaul the city's system and shows that the City is taking steps to remediate flaws in our system. He said that when cities receive a fine from TCEQ, there are things that can be done in lieu of cash fines such as restocking fish, providing education, and hosting a recycling program. Mayor Webster asked about efforts to assist the property owner. City Manager Scott Sellers stated Mr. Schlortt has been cooperative, and penned up cattle to keep them from drinking contaminated water, while the city has provided an alternate water source for the cattle. Harper Wilder, Public Works Director, spoke stating they have addressed the downstream first and troughs had been purchased for the cattle.

Council Member Hervol moved to approve an emergency expenditure for sanitary sewer overflow clean up not to exceed \$50,000. Council Member Arabie seconded the motion.

Council Member Hervol moved to amend her motion to include that funds are to come out of cash reserves. Council Member Arabie seconded the amended motion.

All votes aye; motion carried 7-0.

III. ADJOURN

Council Member Hervol moved to adjourn. Mayor Pro Tem Wilson seconded the motion.

With no further business to discuss, the City Council adjourned at 5:33 p.m.

R. Todd Webster, Mayor

Attest: Amelia Sanchez, City Secretary