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City of Seneca City Council Meeting July 11th 2023

Council Members

Mayor Brad Smith
Barbara Northington
Susanne Hood
Matt Wenick
Lyndsey Wenick

Public

Josh Walker
Pete Walker
Mike Allen
Richard Schwartzer
Kip Mortimore

Meeting was called to order at 6pm by Mayor Smith
Minutes taken by Manager/Recorder Deborah Oatman

Item #1 Open Floor

Mayor Smith Announced the 1st Item, Open Floor. Mike Allen said there is going to be a total of 523 tons of river rock that will be delivered by the end of this month, first of August, he requested signup sheets, and asked where to put it? The consensus was the old helicopter pad on the second hole of the golf course. Pete Walker asked if this was at a cost, and the answer was no it is for free. Whatever is left over the city can do with it what they like. Councilor Northington stressed the importance for the city to document the hours spent on this project and keep separate from regular hours.

Mayor Smith said he has been asked by citizens who have electric cars why Seneca does not have a charging station, that there is money available and that the CyberMill may be the best place for one. Deborah said she will check into it and is to meet with Didgette McCracken in the near future.

Item #2 Seneca Timbers RV Water Discussion Continued

Mayor Smith announced the 2nd Item, Seneca Timbers RV. Councilor Northington asked Councilor L. Wenick what other information he had found out. Councilor L. Wenick stated that Pete and he had looked at it and could not make heads or tails, however you have the road that goes in towards Timbers and the main road where you have Timbers on the left and right in the corner between Timbers cabins and the RV park there is a meter box that says water meter.

When Pete and I looked at it we had no idea how deep it is, 3 or 4ft deep, we had no idea because it is full of water and there is just a valve. Then Pete showed him that clear at the other end there is a place you can turn it off and on and that shuts the water off to the RV park and all the other turn offs are outside each cabin. Josh Walker had explained this issue in April's Council Meeting. His recollection is that when it was dug up in the past that there was some funky weird angles and stuff going on as far as to where it all comes off the main and it comes off the main with a 4in pipe that goes through that valve to the RV Park and that shuts off the whole RV Park and that is it probably 5 to 6ft deep down to the main, so it is a fairly big undertaking. What our stance is, is that the cost of modifying their particular setup because it was done in the early 2000's and that if a meter was to be put in and it creates a financial burden to go back and correct when you could just ask them to estimate it and come to a fair solution. Councilor Northington stated that the Council had stated that a representative for the RV Park come in and come up with a solution, Michelle Walker had come into the office last summer and stated that she would be willing to pay \$35 a month extra but she never came back to negotiate. Mayor Smith said that we need something in writing do to the fact that the RV Park is up for sale, and we have no idea what the next owner may do. Councilor M. Wenick suggested that we do a resolution specifically for the RV Park that says an amount of \$25 will be estimated for the months of June, July, and August. Councilor M. Wenick stated that at the next meeting an agreement draft will be presented.

Item #3 Lagoon Closure Update

Mayor Smith announced the 3rd Item, Lagoon closure update. Kip informed the Council that on Thursday July 6th we meet with HECO and Wild Honey at the old lagoons and discussed holding off for another week due to moisture. Telephone poles are our responsibility, power line is down and we will not be removing any buildings.

Item #4 Bills Before Council

Mayor Smith announces the 4th Item, Bills Before Council and asked for a motion, Councilor Northington made the motion, Mayor Smith asked if all were in favor? All said Aye. Bills were signed.

Mayor Smith adjourned the meeting at 7:05


Attest Mayor Brad Smith
