

**City of Bynum**  
**Minutes of Regular Council Meeting**  
**May 15, 2024**

The governing body for the City of Bynum held a regular meeting on Wednesday, May 15, 2024, at 6:00 p.m. in the City Hall.

Members present: Mayor Lori Youngblood, Crystal Pustejovsky, Rick Reed

Members absent: Rosie Salinas, Weldon Whalen

Staff Present: Mickey Runion.

Guest Present: None.

**1. Meeting Called to Order.**

Mayor Lori Youngblood called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

**2. Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation**

Mayor Youngblood led the pledge and Rick Reed the invocation.

**3. Determination of Quorum.**

Mayor Lori Youngblood determined a quorum was present.

**4. Verification of Posting.**

Mayor Lori Youngblood verified with City Secretary Mickey Runion that the posting of the agenda met the 72-hour rule.

**5. Hear Statements from Persons Wishing to Address the Council.** None.

**Consent Agenda**

**6. Approve Minutes.**

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**7. Approve the Financial Report Submitted.**

**8. Approve Accounts Payable.**

**9. Approve Water Reports.**

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Weldon Whalen made the motion, which was seconded by Crystal Pustejovsky to approve items 6,7,8 & 9 of the consent agenda. **Vote: Unanimous. Motioned Carried.**

**Regular Agenda**

**10. Oath of Office.** Crystal Pustejovsky, Notary Public, administered the oath of office to Weldon Whalen.

**11. Discussion and Possible Action regarding pursuing the establishment of ordinances.** Mayor Youngblood explained that it was becoming more evident that establishing our ordinances in light of some complaints that we have received. She explained that she had contacted city attorney, Justin Lewis to get the process and cost involved. After some discussion, Rick Reed made the motion, which was seconded by Weldon Whalen to table item pending additional information being collected. **Vote: Unanimous. Motion Carried.**

**12. Update on CLFRF Grant (Generator Project Award) (ARP).**

- **Discussion and Possible Action Regarding the selection of quote on propane tank required for the install of the generator at the water department.** There were 5 quotes submitted:

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- DIXIE LP GAS – Total Estimate Price is \$2,490.00
- HILCO PROPANE – Total Estimate Price \$2,537.00
- POOR BOYS – Total Estimate Price\$2,150.00
- ROSS PROPANE - Total Estimate Price is \$3,557.00
- YELLOW ROSE PROPANE – Total Estimate Price \$2,840.00

Weldon Whalen made the motion, which was seconded by Rick Reed to select Poor Boys quote.  
**Vote: Unanimous. Motion Carried.**

**13. Mayors Report.** Mayor Youngblood reported that we had a report of flooding at a resident's home during the heavy rains that had the resident concerned for their home and a/c unit. Mayor Youngblood contacted Buster Russell to see if he could check out what if any cause other than just a lot of rain could be causing the issue. Buster stated he would check the culvert to make sure that the culvert was not stopped up. Mayor Youngblood relayed to the resident what would be happening. Resident stated that her husband had already cleared the culvert by their home. Mayor Youngblood stated that she never heard further from Buster, so it was unknown if he discovered any other issues.

There were two letters sent out to homeowners. One regarding a tree that was blocking the ditch and causing drainage issues and a second regarding continued RV connection to city water and sewer. Both have been given until the 20<sup>th</sup> and 21<sup>st</sup> respectively to comply with the notices in the letters.

Complaints which need to be addressed by ordinance include but not limited to leashed animals, the quantity of roosters being kept at residences and the noise they create, and other noise issues including loud music, fireworks, kids on motor bikes.

Mayor Youngblood also stated that there was a request for approval of a manufactured home to be located at 304 Brannan Street. While the request was later revoked due to issues with the home that was being purchased, Mayor Youngblood stated that she did some investigating the location since there are alleys or right of ways on the block where home was requested to be placed. King Street had been closed by petition and was on file at the court house.

Mayor Youngblood also stated that Martin Anderson had discussed with her the need for road maintenance. He stated that he could spread 4 to 6 yards in a 10 hour time line. His breakdown includes 10 hours x 65.00 per hour + either road base at \$45.00 per yard or a rock base @ \$65.00 per yard. Mayor Youngblood explained that consideration of this may be needed. The county has work that needs to be completed before they could get to us and the rain has certainly put them further behind as well as creating issues that will need to be taken care of that is likely more critical than the city's needs.

**14. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Correspondence.** Mayor Youngblood stated she wanted to be proactive regarding the next actions regarding the 2 letters of correspondence that had been sent out. The first regarding the payment of the tree removal and the need for said tree to be cleaned out of the ditch. Crystal Pustejovsky noted that at the time of our meeting the owner of the property was in the process of clearing the tree out of the ditch. The second letter regarding the RV being connected to the city water and sewer for longer than 35 days. The date that the RV needs to be

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officially off service is the 21<sup>st</sup> of May. Mayor Youngblood wanted the council to decide whether to have the attorney send another letter or what the next steps should be.

Crystal Pustejovsky made the motion, which was seconded by Rick Reed to place a lock on the meter until the resident/owner pays the required deposit bringing the residential deposit up to the Master Meter service deposit amount. Any other fees would also need to be prepaid. **Vote: Unanimous. Motion Carried.**

**15. Discussion and Possible Action Regarding Drainage Issues within the city limits.**

*Crystal Pustejovsky made the motion, which was seconded by Rick Reed to contact Buster Russell about cleaning out the ditches to help with water flow and to get an estimate of the cost for that. Or to ask Buster to make a recommendation on who we should contact. **Vote: Unanimous. Motion Carried.***

**16. New Business for Next Meeting.**

- Discussion Regarding Possible Summer Community Involvement Activities.
- Road Maintenance

**17. Adjourn Meeting.** Rick Reed made the motion, which was seconded by Weldon Whalen, to adjourn the meeting at 7:55 p.m. **Vote: Unanimous. Motioned Carried.**

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Lori Youngblood, Mayor

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Council Member