# CITY OF CORYDON CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES WEDNESDAY, JULY 10, 2024 5:30 P.M.

#### 1. Call to Order/Roll Call

Mayor Bennett called the meeting to order at 5:30pm. Councilors present: Chase Clark, Kyle Hampton, Kenny Holmes, and Bryan Wolfe. Absent: Dawn Christian. Others present: Tammy and Don Johnson, Randy Sharp, Stacy Gibbs, Josh Cobb, and Savanah Sandy.

# 2. Approval of Agenda

Motion to approve the agenda made by Clark. Seconded by Hampton. Ayes: Clark, Hampton, Holmes, and Wolfe. Nays: none. Motion carried.

### 3. Public Hearing Regarding Nuisance at 223 E. State Street

Motion to open the public hearing made by Hampton. Seconded by Holmes. Ayes: Clark, Hampton, Holmes, and Wolfe. Nays: none. Motion carried.

Tammy and Don Johnson were present to talk with the council about the condition of the property in question. They plan to demo the house as soon as they can secure funding and did not see an issue with the 30-day timeline. They also wanted to bring attention to two properties that they believe have nuisance issues. Those properties are 222 E Jackson Street and 313 N Johnson Street.

Motion to close the public hearing made by Clark. Seconded by Wolfe. Ayes: Clark, Hampton, Holmes, and Wolfe. Nays: none. Motion carried.

 Consideration/Approval of Resolution 2025-001 Declaring 223 E. State a Nuisance Motion to approve Resolution 2025-001 made by Holmes. Seconded by Wolfe. Ayes: Clark, Hampton, Holmes, and Wolfe. Nays: none. Motion carried.

#### 5. Open Forum

Randy Sharp spoke to the council regarding the excessively loud fireworks over the July 4<sup>th</sup> holiday. He is concerned about the effects on the elderly and animals. Mr. Sharp said that fireworks were still going off after the 11pm curfew on the 4th. He said he contacted the sheriff's office that night. The council thanked him for sharing his concerns.

- 6. Consideration/Approval of the Consent Agenda
  - a. June 2024 Receipt Report
  - b. Unpaid and Prepaid Bills
  - c. Regular Meeting Minutes June 26, 2023

Motion to approve the consent agenda made by Hampton. Seconded by Clark. Ayes: Clark, Hampton, Holmes, and Wolfe. Nays: none. Motion carried.

## 7. Discussion of City Procedures and Progress

- a. City Hall Report Gibbs reported that the city's low to moderate income ratio has increased to 51.8% which will allow applications to federal funding that had not been available previously. She also reported that five applications for the open city crew position have been received to date. The Personnel Committee will review all applications on July 17<sup>th</sup>.
- b. Public Works Report As Chambers was out on vacation, Holmes reported that repairs were being completed on South Street and work on the lagoon improvements were nearing completion. Gibbs informed the council that the contracted date for completion of work was June 28. The council could enforce liquidated damages of \$500 per day if they chose. Gibbs reported that, per Nancy Buss at Hall Engineering, these charges are typically enforced if a city has incurred costs due to the delay in completion. As the city

- has not incurred additional charges, the general consensus of the council was that they would not enforce the liquidated damages clause at this time.
- c. Fire Chief Report Chief Cobb reported that the fire department has had a very busy week with emergency calls and was very proud of the department for their work. There is a leak on the pumper truck caused by electrolysis, and he is currently waiting on a price for repairs. Cobb discussed the purchase of a thermal drone to assist with missing person incidents and other emergency calls. He reported that Wayne County currently does not have a unit. The cost for a bundled unit is approximately \$6500. The fire department has received recent donations that would cover the cost. There are no licensing costs due to the unit being under 2.5 lbs. The Council will consider the motion to purchase a thermal drone at the July 24, 2024 meeting.

## 8. Committee Reports

Holmes reported that the Housing/Nuisance Committee will meet for their regular monthly meeting on July 16.

The Finance/Personnel Committee will meet on July 17.

- Consideration/Approval of Resolution 2025-002 Approving FY25 Employee and Council Assignments and Depositories
  Motion to approve Resolution 2025-002 was made by Holmes. Seconded by Hampton. Ayes: Clark, Hampton, Holmes, and Wolfe. Nays: none. Motion carried.
- 10. Consideration/Approval of Engagement with RGE & Associates for City Annual Auditor Exam Motion to approve the letter of understanding for engagement with RGE & Associates made by Clark. Seconded by Wolfe. Ayes: Clark, Hampton, Holmes, and Wolfe. Nays: none. Motion carried.
- 11. Discussion regarding Engineering Proposals for West South Street Infrastructure & Streets Project

The council discussed the requests for proposals from the following engineering firms: Hall Engineering/ISG Engineering; MSA; Veenstra & Kimm Inc.; and Garden & Associates, LTD. They agreed that they would like to schedule presentations with MSA, Hall/ISG, and Veenstra & Kimm. This can be done over the next two weeks with an action to decide on an award or before the August 14, 2024 council meeting.

## 12. Discussion Good Cause Business

The council expressed appreciation to the fire department for how they handle difficult calls in terms of providing counseling assistance to department members.

13. Next regular meeting July 24, 2024 at 5:30 p.m.

The meeting adjourned at 6:35pm.

#### **JUNE 2024 RECEIPTS**

001	CHECKING - GENERAL	\$71,992.08
800	CHECKING - RECREATION	\$214.03
110	CHECKING - ROAD USE TAX	\$25,815.11
112	CHECKING - EMPLOYEE BENEFIT	\$2,325.15
119	CHECKING - EMERGENCY FUND	\$247.80
121	CHEKCING - LOCAL OPTION	\$14,763.16
200	CHECKING - DEBT SERVICE	\$3,749.48

		TOTAL.	\$280 696 09
798	CHECKING - RURAL FIRE PROTECTION		\$12,927.70
611	CHECKING - 2021 LAGOON PROJ		\$31,907.26
610	CHECKING - SEWER SINKING		\$26,627.00
610	CHECKING - SEWER		\$44,855.44
600	CHECKING - WATER DEPOSITS		\$610.00
600	CHECKING - WATER DEBT SERVICE		\$6,590.00
600	CHECKING - WATER		\$38,071.88

Nathan Bennett, Mayor

ATTEST: Stacy Gibbs, Administrative City Clerk