**CITY OF IVANHOE**

**SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES**

**FEBRUARY 4, 2023**

**11:00 AM**

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Blackstone at 11:01 am. Quorum was established. Councilmember Morris was absent. Invocation was given by Mayor Blackstone followed by The Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting is being lived streamed on YouTube.

Mayor Blackstone asked if there are any questions or comments from the audience. There being no comments the mayor proceeded to the consent agenda items.

The agenda items were discussed out of order.

**Agenda Item #1 – Discuss/Action Purchase of 4 Used Trucks for Marshal’s Dept.**

* Mayor Blackstone provided a Power Point presentation regarding the background of the city’s existing three patrol vehicles and issues that have transpired recently regarding maintenance. Of the current vehicles, two have over 185,000 miles and the third has over 200,000 miles. The vehicle with 200,000 miles continuously has the check engine light on. Another vehicle has had over $5,000 put into a new transmission and electrical power malfunctions.
	+ Mayor Blackstone stated that 4 vehicles are being retired from Texas Parks & Wildlife. Each of these 4 vehicles, two 2016 and two 2017, are 4-door 4-wheel drive high lift pickup trucks with approximately 90,000 miles each. The total invoice cost of purchasing the 4 vehicles is $111,065 less the peripheral equipment cost of $4,000 each. Also, a trade in allowance of $1,000 each for both of the city’s Crown Victorias. Each of the 4 vehicles will come with a 3 year/36,000 mile bumper to bumper warranty and anticipate a 5 to 6 year usage. Equipment from the current vehicles will be transferred to the 4 new vehicles. Quotes received on similar vehicles from various dealers are priced between $34,000 to $39,000 each.
	+ Councilman Herrington stated that the 5.3 diesel has been known for lifter failure in the past.
	+ Councilmember Gregory made the motion to purchase the 4 vehicles from Chiefs Auto Group, less the equipment amount. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Williams and the motion passed unanimously.
	+ Councilmember Herrington requested that individual quotes from other dealers be submitted for record.
	+ Councilmember Williams inquired who will be installing the transferred peripheral equipment. JT LED’s.
	+ The city’s Tahoes have to be retained until July 2023 due to purchase requirement with Texas DPS.

**Agenda Item #2 – Discuss/Action Reappropriation of ARPA Funds in FY-2023 Budget**

* Councilmember Warren has reviewed the FY-2023 ARPA Fund Budget. Mayor Blackstone has confirmed that ARPA funds can be used for the purchase of vehicles. There is currently $359,468 in the ARPA Funds. The budget currently has $126,199 set aside for city hall construction and $40,000 in Code Enforcement. Any money used from Code Enforcement line item will be replaced with the sale of the current SUVs. Each vehicle is anticipated to bring $8,000 - $12,000 each when they are put out for bid.
* Councilmember Herrington made the motion to amend the ARPA fund budget to include a line item fund to purchase the 4 vehicles from Chiefs Auto Group with funds to be appropriated from the construction and code enforcement line items. Councilmember Gregory seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item #3 – Discuss/Action Resignation of City Marshal & Appointment of Replacement of City Marshal**

* Councilmember Herrington made the motion to accept Terry Riley’s resignation and appoint Steve Drumm as the Chief Marshal. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Warren and the motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item #4 – Discuss/Action Employment of Office Employee**

* Councilmember Warren stated that the city is unable to move forward with the recent applicant. No action was taken at this time.

**Agenda Item #5 – Adjourn Meeting**

Councilmember Warren made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gregory and the motion was passed unanimously. Meeting adjourned 11:25 am.

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. Woodrome, City Secretary

Approved by Council February 16, 2023

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Skip Blackstone, Mayor