**CITY OF IVANHOE**

**REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING MINUTES**

**May 15th, 2024**

**6:00 PM**

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Blackstone at 06:00 pm. A quorum was established. All council members were present. City attorney was not in attendance The invocation was given by Councilmember McWhorter and was followed by The Pledge of Allegiance. This meeting is being audio streamed only on YouTube.

**Communications from the Audience** (none)

**Consent Agenda Items**

Minutes of Regular Council Meeting of April 17th at 6:00 pm.

* Motion made by Councilmember McWhorter to approve minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Fidler and the motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item #1 - Mayor’s Report**

* Millcreek: Part one of the paving has been completed and speed limit signs have been installed. The dogleg further west is still under construction and Public Works needs to build up gravel.
* 22nd St.: Repairs have been made using Type D asphalt and has been determined complete. Engineering and Grant Management firms will perform a final walk-through and will be submitted for payment when approved.
* Galahad Loop: Warranty work is ongoing and will be completed when weather permits.
* Lake Camelot Circle: Excavation had been performed with the material stockpiled on 21st St. at Fancher Park. Sub-base will be treated with lime. Excavated material will be returned to the road, treated with cement, and covered with 1-1/2” of Type D asphalt. Due to Texas Materials not completing their work on schedule, the city has two different contractors working in the same area. The city is asking for the residents to be patient.
* Ivanhoe Dr.: Millcreek must be completed prior to starting work on Ivanhoe Dr so that it can be used as a detour. A major delay on Millcreek was Entergy refusing to relocate an electrical pole. Texas Materials will begin work from Highway 69 to Camelot Dr. intersection as soon as the warranty work on Galahad Loop, 22nd St, and Lake Camelot Circle is complete. The city has met with Commissioner Joe Blackshear and the project engineer to discuss the roadwork from Camelot Dr. to Charmaine Dr. East. and will begin soon.
* Lakewood Dr.: Lakewood Dr. is almost complete. The majority of ditch work has been completed.
* Camelot Dam: Construction began May 12th and will take approximately 6 months to complete.
* General Information:

This agenda item is for information only, no action taken.

**Agenda Item #2 – Law Enforcement Activity Report**

Total Calls: 42 Traffic Stops: 30 Traffic Citations: 12

Traffic Warnings: 8 Accident Reports: Arrests: 1

Code Enforcement Actions: 4 Agency Assists: 4 Animal Control: 0

Felony Warrants: 0 Criminal Trespass Warnings: 5

* Chief Drumm has an open-door policy. Call 409-283-2223.
* Thanks to Public Works for installation of tower.
* Call Tyler County Sheriff Department at 409-283-2172 for officer dispatch. Call 409-283-2223 for non-emergency issues and leave a message if no one answers. As always, call 911 for all emergencies.
* Keep dogs on a leash or behind a fence. The city is experiencing more animal siting without owners.
* You must have a valid driver’s license to operate a golf cart or side x side. Citations are being issued to underage drivers and their parents.
* Speed limit signs are not a suggestion. Main streets, e.g. Ivanhoe Dr., Lakewood Dr., Durwood Dr., and Millcreek Dr. are posted at 30 MPH. All others are 15-25 MPH.

This agenda item is for information only, no action taken.

**Agenda Item #3 – Public Works Activity Report**

* Roads & Maintenance: See Mayor’s Report.

Work Orders: 19 Completed: 12 Remaining: 7

Consisting of mowing, culvert installation, road maintenance, grading, etc.

Thanks to Ivanhoe Police Department for the donation of radios.

* Dams: Monthly inspections are being conducted. Weeds need to be removed from cracks.

This agenda item is for information only, no action taken.

**Agenda Item #4 – Report on Planning & Zoning Commission Activity**

Voting postponed on Ordinance 2025-1 and 2025-2.

**Agenda Item #5 – Report on Tyler County Appraisal District –**

No update. Marian Blackstone has been appointed as the city’s representative at Tyler County Appraisal District monthly meetings.

This agenda item is for information only, no action taken.

**Agenda Item #6- Discuss/Action of Budget Amendments**

* Increase Line Item 6075.03 based on unexpected excess revenue of $5,000 from Vehicle Proceeds. Motion made by Councilmember McWhorter to approve minutes. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Vonderlin and the motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item #7 – Consider for discussion/action financial report- April 2025**

Motion made by Councilmember Gregory to approve the April 2025 financial report. Motion seconded by Councilmember Tull and the motion passed unanimously.

**Agenda Item #8– Recess to Executive Session** (No recess.)

**Agenda Item #9 – Council Comments** (None)

**Agenda Item #10 – Adjourn Meeting**

Councilmember Tull made the motion to adjourn the meeting. The motion was seconded by Councilman Gregory and the motion passed unanimously. The meeting was adjourned at 06:37 pm.

Respectfully submitted,

Hailey Williams, City Secretary

Approved by Council June 19, 2025

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Skip Blackstone, Mayor