

STATE OF TEXAS *
 COUNTY OF JOHNSON *
 TOWN OF CROSS TIMBER *

The Board of Aldermen for the Town of Cross Timber, Texas, convened in regular session at the Briaroaks Fire Hall, 515 Ward Lane, Briaroaks, Texas, on Thursday, June 13, 2024, at 7:00 P.M. to consider the following agenda items.

1. Call to Order

Patti Meier, Mayor, opened the meeting at 7:00 P.M.

2. Review procedure for addressing the Board and Open Meetings Act

Mayor Meier reviewed procedures for addressing the Board and the Open Meetings Act.

3. Roll Call

Board members:	Present:	Absent:
Patti Meier – Mayor	_X_	_____
Kellee Ball – Mayor Pro-tem	_X_	_____
Tim Linendoll – Alderman	_X_	_____
Ron McCullough – Alderman	_X_	_____
Bridgette Sisson – Alderman	_X_	_____
Bob Sumien - Alderman	_X_	_____
Other officials:		
Kathy LaMaster, Town Secretary	_X_	_____
Mary Jo Moncrief, Town Treasurer	_X_	_____
Wava McCullough, Town Administrator	_____	_X_

4. Review and approve Minutes of the May 15, 2024 meeting.

Motion by: Linendoll motioned to approve as written

Second by: Sumien

Voted for: Ball, Linendoll, Sisson, McCullough, Sumien

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 5 – 0

5. Review and approve Financial Records for May 2024.

As of May 31, 2024 the total amount in the bank is \$438,585.41 in the general fund with the amount of \$65,815.61 allotted to the capital improvement fund.

Motion by: Sisson to approve financials as presented

Second by: McCullough

Voted for: Ball, Linendoll, Sisson, McCullough, Sumien

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0

6. Public Comment.

none

Took item 9 at this point to allow the visitor presentation

7. Committee Reports:

a. Capital Improvements Committee

Chairman Linendoll stated the electrician plans to complete the storage unit power by Wednesday June 19th. The mayor suggested that Rogelio Arellano be present to assist with location of the water line.

Mayor Meier updated the board on the exterior improvements to the storage unit: paint, ramp, driveway area, entry sign and mailbox.

b. Infrastructure Committee

Chairman McCullough had three major points to share with the board. (1) Johnson County is not entering into interlocal agreements. (2) Pacheko Koch (now Westwood) discussed services they could provide to the town for the road project. They could prepare documents, seek bids, assure standards, etc to have a state quality road that would last under truck traffic. These services would cost approximately \$823K dollars. (3) Explore interlocal agreement with Burleson, this would allow Cross Timber to utilize the agreement established by Burleson to then negotiate with companies to meet our town needs. This would reduce the cost and provide a better option.

Mayor Meier has sent messages to Trophy Materials and believes they will put hot asphalt on the low water and cracking asphalt areas on the stretch of Cross Timber Road used by trucks. Sisson was curious if the interlocal agreement could extend to private roads. Linendoll was curious about ditch maintenance to assure road success. McCullough stated that the action item was to establish the interlocal agreement prior to knowing the answers to those issues.

8. Discussion and possible action on town property fence costs and next steps.

Mayor Meier stated if we put a fence up during this time of logistical improvements it would cause a problem for workers. LaMaster stated the cost for materials would be approximately \$2K and bid by Moseley Fence was \$3K. Ball stated she had about 50-75' of fencing. Linendoll suggested that we table the item.

Motion by: Sumien motioned to table.

Second by: Linendoll

Voted for: Ball, Linendoll, Sisson, McCullough, Sumien

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0

9. Discussion and possible action flood planning information visit by NCTCOGs Environment and Development Department.

Kate Zielke provided a 15-minute presentation with a handout that discussed the current research study and the associated steps. After the presentation Mayor Meier asked about site visits, and yes those are possible. Sumien asked if there is anything Cross Timber can do with areas outside of town, Kate suggested opening lines of communication with Johnson County as a first step.

10. Discussion of and possible action on bids for removal of three trees on town property.

Three quotes were obtained, all companies have insurance, the bids ranged from \$3600-5800 for removal of two trees in danger of collapse, a mistletoe infested tree and grinding stumps. All bids were similar the board accepted the lowest bid from Rogelio Arellano.

Motion by: Sumien motioned to accept bid from Rogelio for \$3600

Second by: Linendoll

Voted for: Ball, Linendoll, Sisson, McCullough, Sumien

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0

11. Discussion and possible action on investing or dividing town funds for FDIC protection.

Mary Jo Moncrief stated that the funds at Pinnacle Bank are insured up to \$250K by FDIC and Pinnacle also insures all our funds through bonds. Options include moving some funds to a money market account, short term CDs, or to a sister bank to have FDIC coverage.

Patricia Anthony stated she is earning through a money market account and so should the town. Mayor Meier stated the original thought was to put in a separate bank. Members of the board discussed the possibility of CDs and where to explore, Aldermen will come with viable banks and interest rates to the July meeting.

The board voted to open a money market account for \$249K at Pinnacle Bank via a transfer from our general fund account. We will use same signatures (McCullough, LaMaster, Moncrief & Meier). Also we will require two signatures to move money in the money market account.

Motion by: Sumien

Second by: Sisson

Voted for: Ball, Linendoll, Sisson, McCullough, Sumien

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0

12. Discussion and possible action on reimbursement for clearing Cross Timber bar ditch and low water crossing area.

Mayor Meier stated during the most recent storms the low water crossing was blocked and she had her workers clear the area as it was posing a hazard to the road and properties. The cost of hiring the workers was \$1500, and she was requesting reimbursement of \$1000 for the work. Alderman McCullough was concerned that the work was completed without prior approval. Mayor Meier stated it was an urgent matter that required action.

Motion by: Linendoll made the motion to reimburse \$1000

Second by: Sumien

Voted for: Ball, Linendoll, Sumien, Sisson

Voted against: McCullough

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 4 to 1

13. Discussion and possible action on future town property worker hiring.

Mayor Meier stated that the current \$500 discretionary amount was not sufficient for some of these urgent town matters. In relation to building ramps, Alderman McCullough suggested we have improvement repairs be voted on prior to work being completed. Sisson agreed that strategy would allow for Aldermen to lend their expertise, especially in areas of ADA.

Linendoll from a safety perspective wanted to assure that those hired were covered by insurance. Moncrief stated that we should trust those individuals elected by the town to represent us and raise the discretionary amount.

Motion by: McCullough to raise discretionary to \$1500 for hiring workers to address urgent town issues.

Second by: Sisson

Voted for: Ball, Linendoll, Sisson, McCullough, Sumien

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0

14. Discussion and possible action on town property sign.

Mayor Meier asked about a sign to be located at the corner, it would replace the current sign that is falling apart. She suggested the sign be at least 5'. Sisson suggested it be placed so it would be visible from two angles. Linendoll suggested sending out for mock-ups and pricing.

Motion by: Sisson motioned that Mayor Meier seek three bids and bring to July meeting.

Second by: Ball

Voted for: Ball, Linendoll, Sisson, McCullough, Sumien

Voted against: none

Abstained: none

Motion passed by a vote of 5 to 0

15. Announcements


none

16. Request for future agenda items

Bank Investments through CDs, town property sign, zoning ordinance sections 18 & 19

17. Adjournment

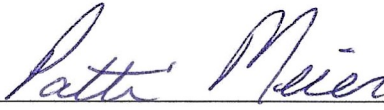
There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:55 P.M.



Kathy LaMaster, Secretary

8-8-2024

Date



Patti Meier, Mayor