

CITY OF VAN ALSTYNE

MINUTES

City Council Work Session Meeting

Independent Bank – Meeting Room

1270 W. Van Alstyne Parkway

Tuesday, August 2, 2016

6:30 P.M.

Members present: Mayor Larry Cooper, Billy Plake, Brad Clough, Russell Moore, Robert Jaska and Timmerle Kelly

Staff present: Frank Baker, Jennifer Gould and Steve White

AGENDA

1. Call to Order. *Mayor Cooper called the meeting to order at 6:49pm.*
2. Consider and take any action necessary regarding a proposed 2016 Tax Rate, set public hearing dates and take a record vote. *Frank Baker advised of projected Revenues and Expenditures as well as capital expenses/improvements for the water and wastewater. Steve White described the need for the Wastewater Treatment Plant and advised that purchasing a “Muffin Monster” for \$79,000 would extend the life of various equipment such as RAS Pumps and will reduce manpower hours and the plant as currently it is requiring excessive hours. It was also advised that the old generator be moved from the Wastewater Treatment Plant to Well #5. Steve White clarified that when the major projects such as the Dallas Street Water Line extension and through the Shreveport to Kelly Lane Sanitary Sewer line, returning yards back to the way they were found will be in the contact and the responsibility of the contractor. There was also discussion regarding the accuracy of the rate calculation spreadsheet. Len McManus presented information regarding the rate spreadsheet and described the calculations. Len provided these calculations to illustrate the possibility of implementing winter averaging or a sewer cap. Len explains that such practices will increase the monthly base rate approximately 20% and spread the burden to all sewer customers rather than allowing higher users to pay for their use and not spreading the burden to the lower users as well.*
3. Adjournment. *Timmerle Kelly made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:37pm. Russell Moore seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.*

Larry Cooper, Mayor

ATTEST:

Jennifer Gould, City Clerk