

Minutes of Workshop held January 28, 2013

Workshop with the following present: Mayor Mark Bowen; Aldermen Jerry Stone, Ruble Farmer, Ward Sanders, Kevin Keith, Sam Cortez; City Secretary Josie Campa; Director of Public Works James McGrath; Police Chief Richard Priest; Library Director Cassandra Cortez.

Visitors: Nan Boyd, Bryan Mask, Cason Boyd, Craig Bell, Barrett House.

Mayor Bowen opened the workshop at 6:31 p.m. by announcing the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the plans and goals.

TRC engineer Craig Bell presented the plans for the new police building and told Council they have been checking on utilities and then reviewed the plans with Council members and Chief Priest.

Mr. Bell told Council that the plans should be 100% complete by the end of February, and then the bids could be awarded sometime in April. Mr. Bell told Council he feels the city will be able to meet its budget and the project should be completed by the end of this year.

Craig Bell also talked to Council about the gas line extension grant project. He said the work should take about five (5) weeks and should be completed before the April 10th grant deadline.

Mr. Bell also told Council that the asphaltting on Laredo Street will be done very soon and will check with school schedule.

The Mayor mentioned the city is waiting on word from the property owner on the land for the new well. James McGrath told Council that the owner is having the property surveyed at this time. Mr. Bell told Council there is no way this water well can be ready for this summer but maybe can be completed by the end the of year.

Alderman Sanders talked to Council about a ceremony for the unvieling of the newly completed gateway monument. After discussion Council agreed to hold this ceremony on Monday, February 4th at 5:30 p.m.

Bryan Mask told Council he has the documents ready for the park entrance project and said he needs to know when the city will call for bids. After discussion, it was agreed to call for bids at the same time the bids are done on the police building.

Mr. Mask told Council he would be discussing the revitalization of downtown with the Beautification/Revitalization Committee on February 4th. After discussion, Mr. Mask told Council he could probably have something ready for Council on this project by May.

Council asked on an update on the Master Plan. City Secretary Josie Campa told Council that Halff & Associates is preparing a survey and has asked for a meeting with organizations in Lytle to get ideas for things needed in this survey. Council agreed to set a meeting for February 4th to

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discuss the Master Plan Survey with organizations. Council members Kevin Keith and Sam Cortez will represent the city at this meeting.

Council was not able to discuss the fire department plans and asked that Matt Dear be at the February meeting to discuss the fire department's plans.

Mayor Bowen told Council that Steve Habarka is ready to move on the sports complex. The Mayor told Council he would ask Mr. Habarka to get a committee to work with him on this project.

City Secretary Josie Campa told Council that Jeff Booth has done work on the technology study for the City Hall and has been told that he cannot proceed until the police department moves to their new building.

Council discussed the museum and drainage study they will be considered after the other items are completed.

Alderman Farmer talked to Council about a city-wide yard sale being held in Lytle. After discussion, the Mayor asked Aldermen Farmer and Sanders to come up with a plan for this project and get back to Council.

Workshop was closed at 7:52 p.m.