January 8, 2024 at 6:30pm

Edgewood City Council met in a regular session.

Council members present were Mayor Steve Steadham, Jack Pendleton, Ruby Smith and Louis Dunn. Keith Rogers and Inez Goggans were absent. Kathleen Jordan as City Secretary and PD Chief John Morrison were also present. Prayer was led by Jack Pendleton and pledge was led by Ruby Smith.

Guests: Judge Andy Reese, Pct 1 Commissioner Chad LaPrade, Mike Ward and guest.

Consent Agenda:

Upon a motion made by council members Pendleton and Smith, the council voted to approve the Consent Agenda consisting of the December 11, 2023 Regular meeting minutes and paying of the expenses.

Motion Carried 3-0

New Business:

1. Consider and approve the 2022-2023 Fiscal Year audit presented by Mike Ward of Mike Ward Accounting & Financial Consulting LLC. Mike Ward presented the audit by reviewing and highlighting all major categories and answering any questions. Smith motioned to accept and approve the 2022-2023 audit as presented and was seconded by Dunn.

Motion Passed: 3-0

2. Consider and approve the Engagement Letter by Mike Ward Accounting & financial Consulting LLC for the 2023-2024 Fiscal Year audit. Dunn motioned to approve and was seconded by Pendleton.

Motion Passed: 3-0

3. Consider and approve Ordinance 010824 requiring address numbers on all dwellings, businesses and structures located in the city limits. A lengthy discussion was had about the necessity of visible addresses for our first responders and postal service. Main highlights were the sizing and ability to see in all lighting conditions. Council also made note that all avenues of disseminating this new information must be used before enforcement. Smith motioned to approve and was seconded by Dunn.

Motion Passed: 3-0

4. Discuss and consider a price increase of 5.87% as presented by Sanitation Solutions and amend Appendix A, Edgewood Texas Fee Schedule. Sanitation Solutions, now known as Gaston Sanitation issued a price increase to become effective on February 1st, 2024 as allowed in contract to account for the rise of the CPI. New pricing with a comparison spreadsheet was presented. Dunn motioned to approve and was seconded by Smith.

Motion Passed: 3-0

5. Discuss and consider a pricing quote from ESS regarding mandatory election equipment. City Secretary Jordan requested this item be tabled until further notice. An update was given about the current equipment shortage with the county's recent decision to purchase new machinery in only the quantity the county needed. Cities and schools would now be responsible for securing their own machinery. A

solution is being worked out for this year and the subject will need to be revisited for next year's election season.

Motion Tabled

6. Discuss and consider adopting the Edgewood Police Department's Policy Manual as presented by Chief Morrison. It was determined that the city attorney needed to review the new policy manual before council was presented with a final copy to accept.

Motion Tabled

7. Consider and approve the 2023 Racial Profiling Report as presented by Edgewood Police Department. This is a non-action item and is a presentation only **Motion: No Action**

Departmental reports were given by Chief Morrison and Secretary Jordan.

Upon a motion made by council members Dunn and Pendleton, the council voted to adjourn the Edgewood City Council meeting at 7:35 p.m.

Motion Carried 3-0

Mayor

City Secretary