

Cold Spring Council Minutes

May 8, 2023

The May 8, 2023 council meeting was called to order by Mayor Penque at 7:30pm.

Prayer and pledge were led by the Assistant City Clerk (0:03)

Roll:

- Present: Mayor Angelo Penque, Lisa Cavanaugh, Dave Guidugli, Paul Kloeker, Cindy Moore, City Clerk Robin Morency, City Administrator Steve Taylor, Public Works Director Ron Hitch, Police Chief Steve Collinsworth, and City Attorney Brandon Voelker.
- Not Present: Chris Ampfer and Adam Sandfoss

Additions or Deletions to the Agenda: (0:50)

- Mayor Penque added Fire Chief Dan Schultz to the agenda. Chief Schultz thanked the city for their generous donation to the department to go towards a new ambulance. The ambulance was parked out front of the building for council and residents to look at.

Citizen Comments: None.

Scheduled Guests: None.

Old Business: (2:07)

- Playground discussion – Paul Kloeker stated that the playground committee needs some guidance as to how the ARPA money should be spent in regards to the playgrounds. It is his understanding that the committee feels that all of the money should go to Municipal Park to be completely renovated. Lisa Cavanaugh asked Ronnie Hitch if he thinks one park is in more need over the others. Ron Hitch said that all of the parks are functional but have met their life expectancy. Cindy Moore would like to see the Municipal Park be the spotlight park since we just did all of this work with the community center and this is where all of our events are held. Laura Vroegindewey (resident) addressed council to give some background information as she is on the Playground Committee. She said that she understands that the quote they have received is a lot of money. They are trying to get a grasp on what the city is wanting to spend on this project and if they are going to do one park at a time or just buy pieces to add to each park. Dave Guidugli suggested that they hold off a little while until they work through the budget. Cindy Moore agreed that council can give the committee a better idea once they are finished with the budgeting process.

New Business: None.

Committees: (40:52)

- Public Safety – Dave Guidugli asked about putting a flashing crosswalk by Cline Elementary. He thinks if it is needed anywhere in the city, that would be the place. Ron Hitch stated that he did have Duke upgrade the light near there to an LED light and he hasn't been made aware of any issues or complaints since then. Steve Collinsworth added that he has not received complaints to justify the cost of doing that. The police department is fully staffed with 13 full time officers and 2 part time officers (traffic units). Of the 15 officers, seven of them are contracted officers. There was discussion about the difference between a contracted officer and a regular

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officer; the city does not pay into the pension or provide health insurance for contracted employees. Paul Kloeker requested that the city get an engineer estimate to have the island removed from the exit of Crossroads Boulevard, he thinks that it would help with the flow of traffic.

Follow up Citizen Comments: (52:26)

- Roger Heck (resident) questioned if there is a way to put a turning lane in at Crossroads Boulevard. Steve Taylor stated that engineers have previously stated that there is not enough room there to do that. Mr. Heck also asked for an update on the lighting situation at the city building; Mr. Hitch told him that we are waiting on a comparison quote for a solar option.

Council Comments: (54:13)

- Dave Guidugli addressed the signage to advertise council meetings. Mayor Penque said that he would pay for the signs if council wants to put them out and bring them back in. There was discussion about meetings with staff and when they will be discussing the budget. There was discussion about the open gym advertising, it can be found on the website in the Operations tab under Community Center.
- Cindy Moore thanked the playground committee for they work they have put in.
- Lisa Cavanaugh thanked Chief Schultz and the playground committee.

Attorney Comments: None.

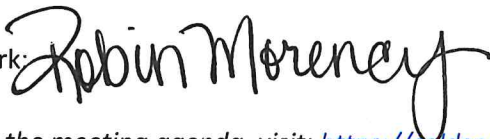
Mayor Comments: (1:17:24)


- Mayor Penque addressed the state of the city, stating the city is in good shape and he thinks that we will see a tremendous amount of growth in the next year.

Adjournment: (1:21:58)

- Mayor Penque adjourned the meeting at 8:51pm.

Approved: 5/22/2023

City Clerk: 

Mayor: 

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