1. Mayor Calhoun called the Council meeting to order at: 7pm
2. **ROLL CALL** [x] Terri Rose [x] Kammi Garner [ ]  Jana Dandridge [x]  Natassia Ruffino [x]  Robert Thompson

 Quorum: [x]  Yes [ ]  No

Staff: [x] Heather McClaskey [x] Rick South [x]  Jeff Dudley [x]  Jeff Swaggerty [x]  John Hall [ ]  Walt Kimmel

Other: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Visitors: # 14

3. PLEDGES LED BY Mayor Calhoun

4. INVOCATION GIVEN BY Robert Thompson

5 The Consent items are considered to be self-explanatory and will be enacted with one motion:

Approve minutes of Regular city council meeting of January 16, 2024

Approve bills for January 2024

Motion: Approve January Minutes

made by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

Motion: Approve January 2024 Bills

made by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Second by: [x]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

6 Citizens Comments

Citizens, who wish to address the Council, may discuss matters not on the agenda and who have not previously expressed to the Council or City Hall a desire to discuss such matters. Anyone wishing to speak should sign-up on the provided sheet, prior to the start of the meeting. Presentation shall be limited to three (3) minutes each. The only response from the Council can be a to request these items to be placed on a future agenda for discussion or action

Laura Smith – Fire Hydrant Flooding – request to stop releasing water from the fire hydrants unless extremely necessary as it damages property, reduces property values and the standing water causes health hazards.

7.Discuss and Approve if Necessary:

1. Water Dept: went through the report for January 2024
2. Permits/License and Court: went through the report for January 2024
3. Code Enforcement - None
4. Fire Department -Gave a report of 15 calls total for the month
5. Economic Development Corp – Working on the Solar Eclipse Event for 4/7 & 4/8

Race on the bridge will be May 11th

EDC created a Facebook page to share the events

Total of all accounts is $55,862.44

1. Planning & Zoning - None
2. Spirit of East Tawakoni- Easter Bunny will be “egging” yards through the city. $15 for 25 filled eggs and a sign in yard.

Bingo 4/18 @ American Legion 6pm – 9pm

Would like to get the names of the High School seniors in town so they can do a recognition for them

1. Library -60 visits/ Book Club 3rd Sat of the Month
2. Police Department – went through the January 2024 report of calls and arrests

Police Easter Egg Hunt will be 3/30/2024 @ 10am Walmart Donating all prizes

8. Discuss and take action to approve or deny Mike Ward doing 2023 Audit

Motion: Approve Mike Ward doing the 2023 Audit

made by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Second by: [x]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

9. Discuss and take action to approve or deny new Planning & Zoning member Kole Davis

Motion: Approve Member

made by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

10. Discuss and take action to approve or deny purchases of equipment for the water department Water Radiometer

Motion: Table for now, need to get 2 more bids

made by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [x]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

11. Discuss and take action to approve or deny purchases of equipment for the water department Back Hoe for $40,000 or pay $5,000 per month for 8 months – Amend the amounts it would be $3,539.06 for 36 months for a brand new Back Hoe

Motion: Approve paying $3,539.06 a month for 36 months

made by: [x]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

12. Discuss and Take action to approve or deny to have Rains County Appraisal Distract assesses ad Valorem taxes on nonproducing personal vehicles

Motion: Deny the Ad Valorem taxes on nonproducing personal vehicles

made by: [x]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

13. Discuss and Take action to approve or deny permit request of a 20’ x 30’ (600 sq ft) garage for 118 Harris Harbor – Whispering Oakes

Motion: Approve size and location of the garage

made by: [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

14. Discuss, consider, and adopt resolution designating a management service provider to complete application and project implementation for the Hazard Mitigation Assistance (HMA) funding administered by the Texas Division of Emergency Management and/or Texas Water Development Board.

Motion: Approve Grant Works do the Grant

made by: [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [x]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

15. Discuss and Take action to approve or deny the updated EDC bylaws and articles

Motion: Approve Articles

made by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

Motion: Table by laws till EDC can approve and a Lawyer can Approve

made by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

16. Discuss and Take action to approve or deny council members and mayor receive a $300 stipend that may be used to attend seminars, events and/or courses that pertain to furthering the education and knowledge regarding local government and topics within local government “Per Council Woman Natasia Ruffino”

Motion: Deny Stipend

made by: [x]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

17. Discuss and Take action to approve or deny hiring a new attorney for the city to have on retainer

Motion: Approve the contract with a term limit of one year added to it

made by: [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [x]  Carries [ ]  Fails

18. Discuss and Take action to approve or deny stopping verbal given by departments

Motion: Approved stop giving verbal reports but will have paper reports with the agendas for the meetings

made by: [x]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [ ]  Carries [ ]  Fails

19.Council Comments

Kammie: Add to next month’s agenda to discuss a Salary increase for the Police Department

20. Mayor Comments

Thank you to Hearld for working with the SRA Renewal

Timesheet with the PD is good now

Workshop End of Marh 26th – 27th to re-do and update the Employee Handbook

21. Executive Session (if needed)

22. Re-Convene from executive session (if needed)

23. Motion to Adjourn: 9:26 PM

made by: [x]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Second by: [ ]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

In favor: [ ]  All [x]  Terri [x]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [x]  Natassia [x]  Robert

Opposed: [ ]  All [ ]  Terri [ ]  Kammi [ ]  Jana [ ]  Natassia [ ]  Robert

Motion: [ ]  Carries [ ]  Fails

24. Council Members, Mayor, City Secretary to sign Plot Map

**Approve Attest**

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**Holly Calhoun, Mayor Heather McClaskey, City Secretary**