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THE CITY OF CHRISMAN MET FOR A REGULAR MEETING MONDAY, OCTOBER 4TH, 2021 AT 7:00P.M. WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: COMMISSIONER CORY CHANEY, COMMISSIONER THAD CRISPIN, COMMISSIONER RODNEY WOLFE, AND MAYOR OWEN. ALSO, PRESENT WAS CITY CLERK AUTUMN PERRYMAN AND CITY TREASURER KAYLEN HOSKINS.

# **PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

### **ROLL CALL**

### **MINUTES:**

CRISPIN MOVED AND HADDIX SECONDED THAT COUNCIL APPROVES MINUTES FROM SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2021. VOTING AYE ON THE MATTER WERE ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. VOTING NAY NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

#### **CLAIMS:**

CRISPIN MOVED AND WOLFE SECONDED THAT THE COUNCIL APPROVES THE CLAIMS IN THE AMOUNT OF \$33,837.20. VOTING AYE ON THE MATTER WERE ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. VOTING NAY NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

CHLOE DOAN	PAYROLL	STREET	223.78-21708
ZACHARY NELSON	PAYROLL	WATER	867.26-21709
AUTUMN PERRYMAN	PAYROLL	ADMIN	861.86-21710
ANDREW GOODWIN	PAYROLL	WATER	441.43-21711
KAYLEN HOSKINS	PAYROLL	ADMIN	915.45-21712
ERIK BOHLE	PAYROLL	STREET	1,330.51-21713
MATT SHELTO	PAYROLL	WATER	418.83-21714
JAMES TODD	PAYROLL	POLICE	84.88-21715
TOM DOLAN	PAYROLL	POLICE	1,281.03-21716
STEPHEN HALL	PAYROLL	POLICE	476.39-21717
RAYMOND RAGLE	PAYROLL	POLICE	117.99-21718
RAYMOND SOLLARS	PAYROLL	POLICE	307.04-21719
GAVIN MCCLAMOCK	PAYROLL	SEWER	934.20-21720
PAULA BETH DAIL	PAYROLL	LIBRARY	366.37-21721
CHERYL OATES	PAYROLL	LIBRARY	360.85-21722
CHRISMAN FARM CENTER	PARTS/SHIPPING	WATER.STREET	182.97-21723
CONNOR CO.	PAVILION BATHROOM SUPPLIES	PARK	3,402.91-21724
TECH MANAGEMENT REV	DISPATCHING	POLICE	44.27-21725
DTI OFFICE SOLUTIONS	KYOCERA CONTRACT	ADMIN	52.96-21726
FRONTIER	EMAIL SERVICE	ADMIN	37.54-21727
ILLINI FS	DIESEL FUEL	WATER.SEWER.STREET	1,326.46-21728
AMEREN	ELECTIC/GAS	ALL	822.79-21729
IMCO	METERS	WATER	4,786.58-21730
LEAF	COPIER CONTRACT	ADMIN	99.29-21731
MENARDS	OPERATING SUPPLIES	STREET	34.98-21732
CHRISMAN NAPA	VEHICLE MAINTENCE	WATER	3.99-21733
PARIS COMMUNITY HOSPITAL	D.TEST/SHOTS	WATER.STREET	132.0-21734
PDC LABS	CHEMICALS	WATER	451.20-21735
POOLS TRUE VALUE	MAINTENCE/ OPERATING SUPPLIES	STREET	36.98-21736

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POWERNET	FAX LINE	ADMIN	16.49-21737
SCHULTE SUPPLY	UTILITY MAINTENCE	WATER	1,444.37-21738
WATER SOLUTIONS UNLIMITED	CHEMICALS/FREIGHT	WATER	1,082.00-21739
OUTDOOR BROTHERS	STORM CLEANUP	WATER	1,000.00-21740
TUSCOLA HOME CENTER	LIGHT RENTAL	PARK	720.00-21741
PROGRESSICE CHEMICAL	STREET SIGNS	MFT	445.00-1247
CITY OF CHRISMAN	PAYROLL REIMBURSMENT	LIBRARY	727.00-1595
DEMCO	SUPPLIES	LIBRARY	232.74-1596
DOLLAR GENERAL	OPERATING SUPPLIES	LIBRARY	45.89-1597
IRS	FEDERAL TAXES	ALL	2,343.56-90000906/908
IDOR	STATE TAXES	ALL	502.56-90000907/909

#### TRICK-O-TREAT:

CRISPIN MOVED AND CHANEY SECONDED THAT COUNCIL APPROVES TRICK-OR-TREAT NIGHT AS OCTOBER 30<sup>TH</sup> FROM 5-8PM. VOTING AYE ON THE MATTER WERE ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. VOTING NAY NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

DISCUSSION:	
Ambulance:	
Nothing	
Police:	
Nothing	
Newspaper:	
Nothing	

### **Zach Nelson:**

I'd like to talk about the extension of my probation, I understand there is some budgeting issues and stuff like that. The mile stones or markers I was told I would hit for raises and such, they kind of just evaporated. I can understand budget issues, but I don't understand the extension. That takes away my paid sick and personal time that would have been coming to me soon. It also seems like it gives you the right to terminate me at any point in time, I would like to get some more details on that. Mayor Owen- So you've been here 90 days? Nelson- Yes Sir. Mayor Owen- You all will have to help me, I don't remember but I thought you had to take a test or sign up for a class within the 90 days, is that right? Wolfe- I don't know, I cannot honestly say. Crispin- I don't know, but regardless it wasn't done. Nelson- There was no urgency that was communicated, I've gotten on it since the last meeting now that I realize it's a big deal. Mayor Owen- Well it is

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a very big deal for the City of Chrisman to have a licensed water operator that we are paying for. Nelson- Absolutely, like I said the urgency was not communicated to me. I did not find anything in the employee hand book, maybe we need to make some amendments to the handbook for future employees so they can avoid the pit fall I have apparently fallen into. Mayor Owen- So your concerned as to why you got put on an extra 90-day probation. Nelson- It was very disheartening to have my opportunities for advancement taken away with a stroke of a pen. Crispin- I don't think your opportunities were taken away, we've given you more opportunity to take the test. Nelson- When I say opportunity I mean specifically in terms of a raise inside this period of time. Chaney- Don't raises take effect when you get your license for something? Mayor Owen- Bonus, I think we still do that. Nelson- So I guess verbal communication between me and Commissioner Wolfe about me and my milestones was just talk. Hitting 100 meters and 200 meters and my 90-day probation, there is no need to give me a raise at those points, they were just a verbal agreement between me and Rodney apparently. Wolfe- Yep, I'm going to be flat honest, your work ethic and standards weren't what I expected, so by giving you that extension it's just like giving you a second chance. Then again in the last 2 weeks I had you put in meters how many did you get put in. Nelson- About 7 -10. Wolfe- So what is your priority? Nelson- Apparently my priority has been helping the street department since you only have 2 full time employees and Erik can't do everything by himself. He cannot trim trees with one guy, he cannot do sink holes with one guy. A lot of this stuff is 2-man jobs. Crispin- We have a second one come in, don't we? Nelson- For less than 15 hours a week? That is a very small portion. Crispin- That gives you 3 hours doesn't it. Nelson- Yes but not in the morning, and still, we combine efforts. Crispin-Rodney how long does it take to put in a meter. Wolfe- Depends on the meter. Nelson- It takes me about 20- 30 min. I put in 5 the other day, I would have had 6 in one morning. If you give me time, I get on a roll, I can get them done. I've been dividing my duties and I was communicated with back in June when we had that big storm, that brush removal was priority. I did what I what I was told. Wolfe-Another one was curbs for Chrisman days, but now I'm getting on Paris water, I need those meters put in, plain and simple. Mayor Owen- I understand that you are concerned that you are not getting a raise. However, I view your extended probation as a second chance. Nelson-Fair

### **Erik Bohle:**

I'm still getting trash down at the dump. Mayor Owen- Do we still have the camera and the chain down there? Erik-Yeah, there is a cable there, but it's trashed. We do have a chain that is plenty long. Mayor Owen- I would start chaining it up when you leave at 4 O'clock. Erik- The other thing is the commercial guys, I know we've talked about how to find revenue, it might be worth considering having permits to dump for those commercial guys. In two days, they will fill it up. The commercial guys just kill me. Mayor Owen- I would not have a problem charging the commercial guys if we can decide on a price. But we won't be charging people that live in town. Erik- I wouldn't expect you to, it's there for them. Crispin- My main concern is that once we start doing that, then the commercial guys will just be cutting trees down and start leaving it by the road if they don't want to get a permit. Erik- That is something to consider. I've already started on picking up leaves, if we can keep people from blowing their leaves and grass clipping into the street. Mayor Owen- I'm going to get with the police chief on our city ordinance, that may help you out a little.

#### **Pavilion:**

Crispin- I talked to Lewsader today he says he's been super busy, he said by the next meeting we will have a quote for the electrical work. Have we got the plumbing stuff in yet? Wolfe- Its sitting inside, the only thing you haven't got is the stools. I'll get some stools.

# Park:

**Nothing** 

### **Cintas Contract:**

Hoskins- We will be up for renewal in January. Crispin- What do we pay a year? Hoskins- I can go look it up. Crispin- We will worry about it at next meeting.

#### Trick-or-Treat:

Mayor Owen- Do you want to do it Saturday night? Crispin- I'm good with Saturday. Mayor Owen- 5-8pm? Crispin- Yea.

#### **Christmas Decoration Fund:**

Mayor Owen- In the past we've given money, we are going to get some prices in the next week or so for the bandstand. We will talk about that next meeting.

## **Grass Clippings:**

Mayor Owen- I think Haddix was bringing that up because the guys go up and down the roads cleaning and not even 10 minutes later property owners are blowing it back out in the street.

# **Sewer Operator:**

Tabled until the next meeting.

### **ARPA Funds:**

Chaney- We need to get some clarification on that. Mayor Owen- On where we need to put it? OK. Hoskins- I can send it to Robert Morris tomorrow and see what he says. The first report is due October 31<sup>st</sup>.

### **Commissioner Crispin:**

Crispin- The bucket truck has been a concern. An individual approached me to buy it. Mayor Owen- Since it belongs to the tax payers, I believe it will need to be a sealed bid. Crisping- What about selling it with the problems that it has? Mayor Owen- If a township wants it, we will give it to them, if an individual wants it, we can do it two ways. We can put it out for closed bids "as is" and see what happens or we can sell it to the junk yard and they can go up there and buy it. Rodney- That's my feelings, send it to the junk yard.

# **Commissioner Chaney:**

I just have questions for Thad about down at the park. Did you have anyone come ask about putting signs up on the fence to earn money. Yes, I told him I'm all for it if it can help them out. Chaney- So the no didn't come from us, maybe the school told him not to do it. Wolfe- My only feeling about the signs, is don't go gigantic or to the ground. If we get a lot of rain if those signs are low on the fence, it will come down. If they hang them high it won't be a problem. Crispin-I told them to go for it. I think it's great.

#### **Commission Wolfe:**

Bac T sample was taken Sunday and they are supposed to take one today. If I get two samples to pass, we will be looking for Paris water. Thursday the company that made the building will be here. I will go first thing Thursday morning to shut off the high service pumps and start letting the water in the tower start to empty. We won't go below 20, but I'll try to get it as low as I can, so when we go on Paris water, we can flush Chrisman's water gone. Crispin- After we get that done are we going to try and scour our lines with Paris water? Wolfe- Yes, once we get through winter, comes spring and I can have them come in to wash down the inside of the tower. We will see how the sewer plant handles all this with no back wash. I know we are done with the conversation. I want to be fair to him and decide hard and fast what we are doing. One operator for two positions. I want to let him know if he needs to be looking for something else. Crispin-That all hinges on you two, and what you decide it's your plans. Mayor Owen- I think Brian has a plan, did he talk to you all about them? Wolfe- Yea, but I assume he'd be here. Mayor Owen- Put it on the agenda for the next meeting.

### ADJOURNMENT:

CHANEY MOVED AND CRISPIN SECONDED FOR ADJOURNMENT AT 7:33P.M. VOTING AYE ON THE MATTER WERE ALL MEMBERS PRESENT. VOTING NAY NONE. MOTION CARRIED.

**AUTUMN PERRYMAN, CITY CLERK**