

MINUTES  
REGULAR MEETING  
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 24, 2020

The City Council of the City of Monahans, Texas convened on the above date at 3:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall with the following members, officers and visitors present:

David B. Cutbirth	Mayor
Rudy Hernandez	Council Member District No. 1
Jeppie S. Wilson, Jr.	Council Member District No. 2/Mayor Pro Tem
Calvin Carrell	Council Member District No. 3
Ivy Valenzuela	Council Member District No. 4
Richard Hawkins	Council Member District No. 5
Rex M. Thee	City Manager
Tonya Todd	City Secretary
Absent-Alan Nicholas	Attorney for the City
Christy Sullivan	The Monahans News
Billy Riley	Chief of Police-MPD
Richard Covington	Public Works Director

**ITEM #1 & ITEM #2** Mayor Cutbirth called the meeting to order and Councilman Wilson gave the invocation.

**ITEM #3** City Manager Rex M. Thee briefed the Council on approving the minutes of the November 10, 2020 Regular Council Meeting.

Motion by Councilman Carrell, seconded by Councilman Hawkins to approve the minutes of the November 10, 2020, Regular Council Meeting, as presented.

Votes were as follows:

“Aye”	Rudy Hernandez
“Aye”	Jeppie Wilson
“Aye”	Calvin Carrell
“Aye”	Ivy Valenzuela
“Aye”	Richard Hawkins

Motion carried.

**ITEM #4** Presentation by citizens to be heard. No comments.

**ITEM #5** City Manager Rex M. Thee briefed the Council regarding the 2021 Annual Fire Fighting Contract with Ward County. Mr. Thee indicated that there is no change from the current contract and the County will pay \$50,000 for firefighting services for the year.

Motion by Councilman Hernandez, seconded by Councilman Hawkins to approve the 2021 Annual Fire Fighting contract with Ward County, as presented.

Votes were as follows:

“Aye”	Rudy Hernandez
“Aye”	Jeppie Wilson
“Aye”	Calvin Carrell
“Aye”	Ivy Valenzuela
“Aye”	Richard Hawkins

Motion carried.

**ITEM #6** City Manager Rex M. Thee briefed the Council with regards to approving Resolution No. 2020-040 to appoint Eddie Nelms to the Monahans Economic Development Board unexpired term November 10, 2020 to September 30, 2023. Mr. Thee indicated that Mr. Nelms was appointed to the Board at the November 10, 2020 City Council meeting and this is to follow through with a Resolution.

Motion by Councilman Wilson seconded by Councilman Valenzuela to approve Resolution No. 2020-040: To appoint Eddie Nelms to the unexpired three-year term as Monahans Economic Development Board member, for the term of November 10, 2020 through September 30, 2023.

Votes were as follows:

“Aye”	Rudy Hernandez
“Aye”	Jeppie Wilson
“Aye”	Calvin Carrell
“Aye”	Ivy Valenzuela
“Aye”	Richard Hawkins

Motion carried.

**ITEM #7** City Manager Rex M. Thee briefed the Council regarding transition options for TML Health Benefits Pool and new partnership with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas. Mr. Thee indicated that the employee’s health insurance plan was considered and approved in June with TML Health Benefits Pool. Mr. Thee stated that TML Health has partnered with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas starting in 2021 to provide pool members health insurance for the future. Mr. Thee mentioned that it should increase benefits and lower costs. Mr. Thee stated that he recommends approval of TML Health Plan Option 1 to transition to TML Health/Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas on our anniversary date October 1, 2021. Mr. Thee stated that the current plan deductibles will be prorated from January 1 to September 30, 2021 and then renew with the new plan October 1, 2021.

Motion by Councilman Wilson, seconded by Councilman Hawkins to approve Option 1 for the TML Health Benefits Pool and new partnership with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas.

Votes were as follows:

“Aye”	Rudy Hernandez
“Aye”	Jeppie Wilson
“Aye”	Calvin Carrell
“Aye”	Ivy Valenzuela
“Aye”	Richard Hawkins

Motion carried.

**ITEM #8** Motion by Councilman Hawkins, seconded by Councilman Hernandez to adjourn meeting at 3:11 p.m.

Votes were as follows:	“Aye”	Rudy Hernandez
	“Aye”	Jeppie Wilson
	“Aye”	Calvin Carrell
	“Aye”	Ivy Valenzuela
	“Aye”	Richard Hawkins

Motion carried.

Passed and approved by the Monahans City Council on December 8, 2020.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

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Tonya Todd, City Secretary

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David B. Cutbirth, Mayor