The July 13, 2015 regular meeting was called to order at 7:00 p.m. by Mayor Dennis Bronson.

Council members Cherl Blanton, Ryan Clark, Patrick Dick, Dennis Dye, and Andy Holmes were present for roll call. City Staff present was City Superintendent Shawn Burgey, Police Chief Doug Brown and City Clerk Jami Downing. There were 11 guests present.

Mayor Bronson led the Council and audience in the Pledge of Allegiance.

**ADDITIONS TO THE AGENDA**

There were no additions to the agenda.

**CONSENT AGENDA AND MINUTES**

Council member Dick made a motion to approve the consent agenda which included the minutes from the June 22, 2015 regular council meeting; and Appropriation Order 12-15; Council Member Clark seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.

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| W&L Utility | $67,461.27 |
| General | $36,130.60 |
| Ritz Theatre | $1,938.34 |
| Sewage Disposal | $1,688.25 |
| Airport | $505.30 |
| Solid Waste Refuse | $9,956.00 |
| Community Education | $0.00 |
| Library | $0.00 |
| Capital Fund | $0.00 |
| **TOTAL AMOUNT PAID** | **$117,679.76** |

**COMMUNICATIONS**

There were no communications to deliver.

**PUBLIC COMMENT**

Steve Hartnett was present to state that he was not having any issues with Stafford County Trash. He thinks they are doing a good job overall despite recent complaints. Carolyn Williams was present to ask the Council if they had considered budgeting for Christmas lights on Main Street. The Council informed her that there were no additional funds being added as our budget for 2016 will be tight. She was suggested to help get a committee or sponsors/volunteers to work on this project. Duane Westphal was present to discuss his concern with Stafford County Trash. He informed the Council that his recycling was not picked up the prior week and that it has happened before. The Council informed him that they are currently in discussion with Stafford County Trash to work on the recent complaints.

**OLD BUSINESS**

1. A representative from the trash service was not available for the meeting. City Clerk Downing informed the Council that she received word from a representative that they could not attend. She was asked to deliver his number for any Council members to call him and discuss concerns individually. The Council chose to table the issue to the next meeting.

**NEW BUSINESS**

1. Faye Trent from Great Plains Development was present to present the Performance Public Hearing closeout. She discussed the breakdown of expenses and stated there was an overage in Phase 1 of $295,626.86. This was from unplanned expenses and would possibly offset some of the expenses in Phase 2.
2. Vickie Dreiling from Adams, Brown, Beran & Ball was present to deliver the 2014 Audit report and present the initial 2016 Budget. Vickie informed the Council that the overage from Phase 1 is going to cause us to really tighten up the 2016 Budget. There was much discussion about upcoming projects and other concerns. It was the consensus of the Council to have Vickie work on the changes that needed to be made in the Budget and present that at the next meeting for approval. Council member Clark made a motion to approve the 2014 Audit report as submitted; Council member Dick seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.
3. Council member Blanton made a motion to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel for application review, with Council, Mayor, City Attorney, and City Clerk Downing until 8:30; Council member Dye seconded the Motion. Motion carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:30. Council member Blanton made a motion to reconvene into executive session until 8:35; Council member Dye seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:35. Council member Blanton made a motion to hire Tara Lucia as the Office Clerk at the beginning salary of $11.00/hr; Council member Dick seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.
4. Council member Dick made a motion to recess into executive session for non-elected personnel to discuss acquisition of property, with Council, Mayor, City Attorney, City Superintendent Burgey, Police Chief Brown and City Clerk Downing 8:42. Council member Holmes seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:42. Council member Clark made a motion to reconvene into executive session until 8:50; Council member Dick seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0. Council returned to regular session at 8:50. Council member Clark made a motion to all Chief Brown up to $2,600 for acquisition of property at the tax sale and to waive any mowing charges against all properties; Council member Dick seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 – 0.

**City Superintendent Shawn Burgey**

Shawn had nothing else to discuss.

**Chief of Police Doug Brown**

Doug informed the Council that with their blessing, he would work with the swimming pool manager and coordinate a free swim night before the pool closes for the season. The Council agreed.

**City Attorney Don Knappenberger**

City Attorney Knappenberger had nothing else to discuss.

**Interim City Clerk Jami Downing**

Jami asked the Council if they wanted to continue showing movies at the Ritz every weekend. The Council stated that we should continue with the weekly showings until we start to see a decline in business. Jami also informed the Council that the swimming pool manager has set the last day for the pool to be open as August 9th. The Council stated that they would prefer a longer schedule if possible.

**COUNCIL COMMENTS**

Council member Dye discussed a property the City owns by the COOP and that we should explore our options with it. There were no other Council comments.

**ADJOURN**

With no further business before the Council - Council Member Clark made a motion to adjourn at 9:00 P.M.; Council Member Dick seconded the motion. Motion carried 5 - 0.

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Dennis Bronson, Mayor

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Jami Downing, Interim City Clerk