

**COFFEE CITY, CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 8, 2014**

The Coffee City Council met for a regular scheduled meeting on December 8, 2014. The meeting was held at The Coffee City, City Hall.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Wakeman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call and announce if Quorum is present.

City Secretary Angela Jones called the roll with the following being present.

Mayor Ray Wakeman, Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, Council Members Phil Rutledge, Don Weaver, Adam Gonzales, and Ruthie Seward.

Quorum was present.

3. Swearing in Elected Officials.

Sandy Atteberry was here to conduct the Oath of Office and the Statement of Officer for Mayor Ray Wakeman, Council Members Phil Rutledge, Don Weaver and Ruthie Seward.

4. Consent Items #5, #6, #7, and #8.

Motion was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales, and a second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to accept the Minutes as written for the following Council Meetings, November 10th, November 13th, and December 1st. Also the Check Written Register was approved for the month of November.

5. November 10th Minutes.

6. November 13th Minutes.

7. November Check Register.

8. December 1st Minutes.

9. Swearing in Reserve Officers.

Sandy Atteberry was here for the following Reserve Officers to be sworn in
Alicia Anderson, Shawn Cubbage, and Jeffrey Jackson.

10. Open Forum.

Betty Savage was upset with the Mayor and Council about a situation
involving her Family Members. The Mayor ask her to turn in a complaint in
writing.

11. Approve the Additional Spending for Election Expense.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruthie Seward, and a second was made
by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0)
opposed to change the spending amount for the Election Expense from
\$6,000.00 to \$8,136.30.

12. Resolution Adopting a Municipal Sales and Use Tax of 1/4 of 1 Percent
for Street Maintenance.

Motion was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales, and a second was
made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost. The Council voted four (4) for and one
(1) Council Member Phil Rutledge opposed to adopting the Resolution for
Municipal Sales and Use Tax of 1/4 of 1 percent.

13. 2015 Holidays.

Motion was made by Council Member Phil Rutledge, and a second was made
by Council Member Adam Gonzales. The Council voted five (5) for and none
none (0) opposed to approve the 2015 Holidays that were presented.

14. Republic Cleanup Days.

Motion was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales and a second was
made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost. The Council voted five (5) for and
none (0) opposed to choose the following cleanup days for Republic.

First choices are April 25th, - 26th, 2015, and October 10th, - 11th, 2015.
Second choices are April 18th, - 19th, and October 17th, - 18th, 2015.

15. Mayors Report.

Mayor announced we did get the ISO rating has now been assigned at a 8B/10 so if your insurance companies set your rates based on the ISO rating you can call them and tell them that our rating has changed and we will be glad to give them a copy of that if they need it.

16. EDC Report.

Treasurer Sandy Atteberry gave the EDC report for November, Southside beginning balance \$145,146.56, deposits \$7,361.41, ending balance \$152,507.65, sub ledger Sales Tax income was \$4,809.00, Crappie Anglers reimbursed us back for unused portion \$150.00, there was an error Hotel/Motel Tax accidentally got deposited into this account \$2,401.85. The Hotel/Motel beginning balance was \$59,059.08, ending balance \$59,059.08. Income from Duck Inn \$267.05, Lake Palestine Motor Inn \$1,489.17, and Lake Palestine Resort was \$645.63, for a total of \$2,401.85 which was deposited into our Sales Tax Account which now has been deposited into the Hotel/Motel Tax Account.

17. Municipal Court Report.

Judge Bivens gave the Municipal Court Report for November, 121 New Cases filed, 8 Dismissed after Driving Safety Course, 3 Dismissed after Deferred Disposition, Issued 23 Class C Warrants, 2 Dismissed after Proof of Financial Responsibility, Total Revenue \$4,869.88, After the Tax left us with \$4,372.00, from Pioneer \$250.00.

18. Police Report.

Police Chief Donny Malone gave the Police Report for the month of November, Calls of Service 34, Accidents 3 (2 were car vs. animal, and 1 was 2 fatalities), Agency Assists 4, Burglaries 2, Calls Total 34, Deaths 2, Suspicious People 3, Thefts 2, Call Outs 8, Arrests 2 (1 for warrants, and 1 for tampering with evidence). We currently have 14 Reserve Police Officers, with one

application pending. Unit 1 is going in the shop tomorrow, Unit 2 is 100%, and Unit 3 is out of service in the shop for brake work.


I would like to mention the cooperation of neighboring departments, Smith County, Henderson County, Frankston, Coffee City Fire Department, and thanks to Palestine Marina.

19. Fire Report.

No Fire Report at this time Fire Chief is in the hospital.

20. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Council Phil Rutledge, and a second was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed for the meeting to adjourn at 6:30 p.m.



Ray Wakeman, Mayor



Angela Jones, City Secretary

**COFFEE CITY, CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 10, 2014**

The Coffee City Council met for a regular scheduled meeting on November 10, 2014. The meeting was held at The Coffee City, City Hall.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Wakeman called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.

2. Roll Call and announce if Quorum is present.

City Secretary Angela Jones called the roll with following being present. Mayor Ray Wakeman, Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, Council Members Phil Rutledge, Don Weaver, Adam Gonzales, and Ruthie Seward. Quorum was present.

3. 4. and 5. Consent Items.

Minutes from the October 13, 2014 Council Meeting, and Check Written Register for the month of October.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, and a second was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to accept the Minutes from the October 13th meeting as written and the October Check Written Register.

6. Open Forum.

No one spoke at this time.

7. Swearing in Frank Tovar.

Chief Malone announced that we have a new officer tonight, he comes to us from Ranger Texas. He is a Drug Enforcement Officer, he is also prior Military, Snatch and Grab, Frank Tovar. Sandy Atteberry was present to swear in Reserve Officer Frank Tovar.

8. Resolution for Adopting Municipal Sales and Use Tax of 1/4 of 1 percent for Street Maintenance.

Motion was made by Council Member Phil Rutledge, and a second was made by Council Member Don Weaver. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to table this Resolution for this meeting until ballots are canvassed. Revisit it at December meeting. Mayor commented that the vote was very close, it has to be voted on again in four years. At that time if people are not

satisfied with what is happening with it and are unhappy with it, it has to be revote on in four years. In the mean time when we start collecting money on this, the majority of the money collected will be paid by people that do not live in Coffee City. That is where our revenue basically comes from is people in surrounding areas they come here to buy their alcohol, this will just be added on to what they are paying. It is not a huge burden on the residents of the City, it's not just paid by the Citizens it is payed by everyone who shops in Coffee City.

9. Tree Trimming.

Mayor Wakeman said I think the Tree Trimming/ Road Clearance that we tabled last meeting has been done. Council Member Phil Rutledge asked how did it get done? Mayor Wakeman said there was some miscommunication somewhere. Council Member Phil Rutledge said it was clear at this meeting that we tabled it and it was in the Frankston Paper that it had been tabled. The Mayor said he had told Ken Geeslin that it had been. Council Member Phil Rutledge said we need to negotiate this as far as he is concerned. Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost said that she did not quite understand it from looking at the bill, I did not quite understand that he was actually charging us. Mayor Wakeman said it was listed as one of the items. Council Member Ruthie Seward asked why wasn't the County handling that? Response was it is a City Street, we are paying County Taxes, what is the County doing for the City? Mayor answered the County maintains streets and that Coffee Landing Rd. is not a County Street. When they were annexed into the City it became a City maintained street. Council Member Ruthie Seward said I think we need to give it back to the County. Mayor said \$3717.92 is what came out of our \$5000.00 we have about \$1300.00 left. Phil and I went over and talked with Monte Shanks over at the Neches River Lake Authority, he more or less told us that we could do anything that we needed to do along that Coffee Landing Rd. there. Council Member Phil Rutledge said any road in the City where there are trees and Neches Property was involved take the trees and pitch them over on their side, and if we have to cut down some small trees or whatever. He sent a letter authorizing us to do that.

10. Date to Canvass Votes.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, and a second was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to approve agenda for the 13th, to Canvass the Votes.

11. New Fee Schedule for CCCC.

There was discussion on what the rental fee should be for the Community Center now that the kitchen is finished. Motion was made by Council Member Don Weaver, and a second was made by Council Member Phil Rutledge. The Council voted four (4) for and one Council Member Ruthie Seward abstained from for the rental fee to stay the same \$50.00 for the four hour time frame if not using the kitchen. If using the kitchen it would be \$75.00 for the four hour time frame.

12. Block Grant.

Motion was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales, and a second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to proceed with the application for the Block Grant. Before we approve the Resolution we have to have a Public Hearing, it is recommended that we do it at the Council Meeting on December 8th. They will publish the notice in the newspaper prior to that date. This Grant is for areas that are considered low to moderate income levels.

13. Laura Holder Resignation.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruthie Seward, and a second was made by Council Member Phil Rutledge. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to accept Laura Holder's Resignation. Laura Holder was our Prosecuting Attorney that we had hired to handle Court Cases for our Traffic Court. She worked out of Clint Davis's Office, she has moved to San Antonio. We really hated to lose her because she did a really good job, we never had to have Court she took care of them at the Pre Trial Hearing.

14. Hiring Jenny Palmer as New City Prosecutor.

Motion was made by Council Member Ruthie Seward, and a second was made Council Member Adam Gonzales. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to hire Jenny Palmer as our New City Prosecutor. She works out of the District Attorney's Office, she is a Assistant District Attorney. The fee will remain the same.

15. Mayors Report.

Mayor said he does not really have a Mayors Report today per say.

16. EDC Report.

EDC Treasurer Sandy Atteberry gave the September Report, Southside Beginning Balance \$167,952.45, Sales Tax Income \$5,302.69, Total \$173,255.14, Expenses \$31,836.57, Ending Balance \$141,418.57. The expenses were PC Warehouse \$439.00 for Computer Software and Monitor, Crappie Angler's of Texas \$2,750.00 for advertisement, David Holcomb which did contracting \$22,210.00 which was done in four payments, 2nd quarter Liability Insurance \$232.25, Lowes Appliances for CCCC kitchen \$5,785.80, Lowes Hardware for kitchen \$14.38, and Lowes Cabinet for the Three Bowl Sink \$402.14.

Hotel / Motel account for September Beginning Balance \$54,760.28, Income from Sales Tax \$1,447.17, Total \$56,207.45, Duck Inn Revenue \$0, and Lake Palestine Motor Inn \$1,447.17.

October General Account Beginning Balance \$141,418.57, Sales Tax Income \$4,777.32, Total \$146,195.89, Expenses \$1,049.65, Ending Balance \$145,146.24, Expenses were for Coffee City Secretary \$814.65, and Coffee City Quarterly Insurance \$235.00.

Hotel / Motel Tax Beginning Balance \$56,207.45, Sales Tax Income \$2,851.63, Ending Balance \$59,059.08, Income for The Duck Inn (the former owner) \$220.15, The New Owner of Duck Inn \$131.25, Lake Palestine Motor Inn \$1,581.87, The House in Brierwood \$693.00, and Lake Palestine Resort \$225.36. Also there was some discussion on tables and chairs.

17. Municipal Court Report.

Judge Bivens gave the Municipal Court Report, 65 New Cases, 19 Dismissed after Driving Safety Course, 15 Dismissed after Deferred Disposition, 11 Satisfied by Jail Credit, 19 Class C Warrants Issued, Total Revenue \$8,728.00, From Pioneer \$1,060.00, and after taxes City gets \$5,106.00. I turned over another \$30,000.00 in Warrants to Pioneer. They are sending out information about the Warrant Round Up in February. Reserve Officers talking about the City doing a little Mini Warrant Round Up in January for the local area.

18. Police Report.

Chief Malone gave the Police Report, Calls of Service 23, 1 Accident, 5 Agency Assists, 2 Burglaries, 3 Suspicious Persons, 5 Call Outs, 1 Armed Robbery, 2 Thefts and 2 Arrests. Both Arrests were for Warrants. We currently have 11 Reserve Officers. We currently have 3 Applications Pending. Unit 1 is 100%, Unit 2 is 100%, Unit 3 is out of service for camera work and a bad tire, it

should be back in service Wednesday. I would like to mention the cooperation and thank neighboring departments Smith County, Henderson County, Frankston, and Coffee City Fire, and also Lake Palestine Marina for putting the guys up when they come down and have to stay overnight.

19. Fire Report.

Fire Chief Chris Moore was at a Council Meeting in Berryville so Police Chief Malone gave the Fire Report. 24 Call for Service, 3 Building Fires, 2 Rubbish, Grass, and Burn Ban Fires, 11 Medical Calls, 2 Tree Obstruction, 2 Boat Calls, 1 Smoke or Odor, 1 MVA, 1 False Alarm, 3 Public Service (Unlocked 2 Cars, and 1 House), and 0 Good Intent. Currently have 14 Senior Fire Fighters, with one new prospect at this time, 7 of the 14 are Interior Fire Fighters. We were revisited by ISO questions were answered that were not answered by the previous inspector. We conducted three days of training at Eastman, Saturday was Structure Fire Interior and Exterior attacks. Sunday was CAFS (Compressed Air Foam Systems. Monday Live Fire and Smoke House. We sent three personnel to the Henderson County School on October 25, 2014. These individuals conducted smoke house training to include search, search and rescue and SCBA Training. These personnel were also introduced to the Denver Drill.

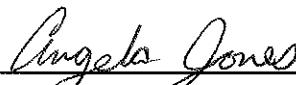
Upcoming Events: Holiday Meal December 13th, Pot Luck.

20. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales, and a second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed for the meeting to adjourn at 6:46 p.m.



Ray Wakeman, Mayor



Angela Jones, City Secretary

**COFFEE CITY, CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL CALL MEETING MINUTES
NOVEMBER 13, 2014**

The Coffee City Council met for a special call meeting on November 13, 2014. The meeting was held at The Coffee City, City Hall.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Wakeman called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

2. Roll Call and Announce if Quorum is Present.

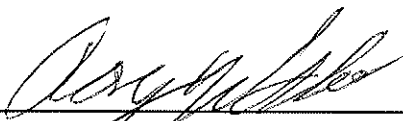
City Secretary Angela Jones called the roll with the following being present, Mayor Wakeman, Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, Council Members Don Weaver, Adam Gonzales, and Ruthie Seward. Council Member Phil Rutledge was absent. Quorum is present.

3. Canvass Votes.

Motion was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales, and a second was made by Council Member Ruthie Seward. The Council voted four (4) and none (0) opposed to accept the results of the Election.

4. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, and a second was made by Council Member Ruthie Seward. The Council voted four (4) and none (0) opposed for the meeting to adjourn at 5:33 p.m.



Ray Wakeman, Mayor



Angela Jones, City Secretary

**CITY OF COFFEE CITY
SPECIAL CALL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 1, 2014**

The Coffee City Council met for a special call meeting on December 1, 2014. The meeting was held at The Coffee City, City Hall.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Wakeman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Roll Call.

City Secretary Angela Jones called roll with the following being present.

Mayor Ray Wakeman, Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, Council Members Phil Rutledge, Don Weaver, Adam Gonzales, and Ruthie Seward.

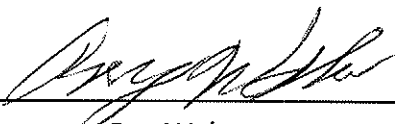
Quorum is present.

3. Strip Center Purchase by EDC.

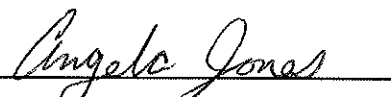
There was a lot of discussion on the Strip Center. Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, and a second was made by Council Member Phil Rutledge. The Council voted four (4) for and one (1) opposed, Council Member Adam Gonzales opposed, for the EDC to have \$150,000.00 expenditure, contingent that the Contract be re-written and presented to the City Council.

4. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, and a second was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed for the meeting to adjourn at 6:44 p.m.



Ray Wakeman, Mayor



Angela Jones, City Secretary

COFFEE CITY, CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
OCTOBER 13, 2014

MMR-10132014

The Coffee City Council met for a regular scheduled meeting on October 13, 2014. The meeting was held at The Coffee, City Hall.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Wakeman called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Roll Call and announce if Quorum is present.

City Secretary Angela Jones called the roll with the following being present. Mayor Ray Wakeman, Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, Council Members Phil Rutledge, Don Weaver, Ruthie Seward, and Adam Gonzales.

3. 4. and 5. Consent Items.

Minutes from the September 8, 2014 Council Meeting, and Check Written Register for the month of September.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, and a second was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to accept the Minutes from the September 8, 2014 Council Meeting as written and the Check Register for September.

6. Open Forum.

Betty Savage said thank you for bringing the dumpsters out. We did not get as much done as we would have liked to, I had a renter that really took advantage of it, so that property got cleaned up. Please keep that up, Jack and I need it when it is not so rainy. I have another situation that is concerning me we had an incident, we have a new man in town his name is Ross Brown. He has come here and all he has done is work on his property until recently when he went down to check on his little boy, to see if his little boy was telling the truth. He drew him back into the home area. He has had people come and more or less break into his house. His little boy came running over the other day, he said I need to call, I need Jack, I need to call, he called in that there was somebody at his back door breaking in. Donny Malone came out, I like Donny he's a good guy, he is nice to me, that's for sure. But the two people that were breaking in that back door they left, he let them go and I wondered why because the man was not home, and he came home, and he came and sat down at my table, he said what am I going to do? I have been invaded by people that I don't even know, they have eaten up all the food in the house, I have nothing left for my children. He did not ask for food, I can verify that, absolutely I can verify it. I can verify what he is telling me, so there is

something wrong and we need to find out what it is, so we can control it. I am watching him, I'm going to take him on as my right hand man until I'm sure beyond a shadow of a doubt that he's in criminal. I do know that there has been a lot of activity going on and in a lower place right there in Highsaw and it needs attention.

Mayor Wakeman asked would you like to give a written statement that we could put in and do an investigation on?

Betty Savage said ok, thank you.

Commissioner Geeslin said we are running a little bit behind on getting all your roads patched. I better stand close to the door. One of the reasons, in contrast to what you were told at the Greater Lake Palestine Council Meeting. Back in the spring there was a Trustee that got away when they were doing work out at the Fair Park. They have revamped the qualifications standards to make Trustees, so we have been struggling all year to get what was normally a routine operation. The Sheriff has taken real strict precautions to make sure there is not a repeat of what occurred back in the spring. The end result of it, the Commissioners have received less Trustees than we have in the past years, it was pretty much an automatic thing that we have two every day. So when you would request for us to come down under the Interlocal Agreement and do a variety of other things we were able to do that and, we could do it relatively cheaply rather than having two County Hands plus the truck, etc... So I have been holding off as well as all the other back log items that we have in the County, and patching those roads as well. We are going to try to do it next week and get everything patched one way or another if we have Trustees that will be great otherwise we will come with County Hands and just get it done. So that is sort of an apology and explanation. Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost asked if you use the County would it cost more out of our allocation?

Commissioner Geeslin said yes it would, I am going to try to work with you to minimize that.

Number two in relationship to the \$5,000.00 Allocation of Interlocal Agreement which equals \$5,000.00 of County Labor and Equipment, you have around \$3,700.00 left for this agreement year, which expires in March of next year.

The last thing, Mrs. Drost made an interesting comment earlier which I was somewhat surprised, I think I mentioned this to you a couple Council Meetings ago, that we have successfully worked with the law firm in Austin that had done the redistricting. For some reason then decided that Pam and Ruthie's road was to vote in Berryville, why they did that because there was absolutely zero redistricting activity done in Coffee City and Berryville. But they sliced off that portion from the 155 Bridge and east of 155 behind the Dollar General basically Diamond Head Bay and Coffee Landing Rd. and made that part of the Berryville Voting District. That did not really surface to my

attention until you had your last Council Election everyone was saying we had to vote in Berryville. Of course those polls were not open for the City Council Election. That has all been rectified the maps are done, the information is in, it has been filed with the DOJ. I found out tonight that not everyone has received their new voters registration card, so call Mrs. Hernandez and let her know that you need your new voter registration cards. I will be doing the same thing tomorrow, to see that we get those out to you before early voting starts. Don't forget early voting starts October 20th, and Election Day is November 4th. I do have an opponent on the other ticket so I would appreciate your support. If there is any questions ask them because I have a Funeral Visitation to go to tonight.

Council Member Ruthie Seward said when is the County going to come down and clean up those trees, and what about trimming those trees? Has anybody got with Upper Neches and talked with Monte?

Commissioner Geeslin said I think the Mayor is going to address that and then when you decide then you will call me tomorrow on that Mayor.

Mayor Wakeman said yes.

Commissioner Geeslin said so there is your answer. Whenever you decide what you want done then that will come out of the Interlocal Agreement and I will have a crew come down, but not Thursday of this week.

Council Member Ruthie Seward said you have to consider there is a bus that comes on that road that county road and that road has to be clear for the safety of the kids getting back and forth on that bus. If you go down that road now you will notice there is a limb just hanging by a thread. There is a possibility that one morning that limb could fall on the bus because the bus is high up. The County needs to consider that.

Council Member Adam Gonzales presented Certificates of Appreciation to Aaron and Samantha for helping out in Brierwood Bay they have been a great help especially picking up litter. Also Samantha has been helping out at the front office doing a lot of paper work. I really appreciate these two individuals coming down and taking their time on a weekend as young Americans and taking that mantel and going forward in the community. The Mayor and City Council Members of Coffee City take great pleasure in recognizing and honoring Samantha Fritz and Aaron Ashley.

Mayor Wakeman asked Donny to come forward. Mayor said Donny we would like to present you with this trophy to commemorate many of your road side kills. It is with unwavering accuracy that you have managed to break the record with four road side kills, two deer, one buzzard, and the latest a hog. When there is a clear and immediate danger the Mayor has the authority to take immediate action. Therefore it is declared that all deer and wildlife will be required to wear safety vests between the hours of 6:00 p.m. and 6:00 a.m. Any deer or wildlife not wearing these vests will be at the mercy of Donny Malone.

7. Discuss falling tree damage to Private Property.

Mayor said we have recently has some things happen in the City and we need to clarify actually what the responsibility of the City is the County and Lake Authority. I have talked to County Commissioner and the Lake Authority, the answer I get from them is we have no control over the weather. If the trees are alive we have no liability, that's where insurance takes over. If it is a dead tree that we have not taken care of then there could be some liability.

Council Member Ruthie Seward said the City is responsible for making sure the County clear that road up.

Council Member Phil Rutledge said actually that is a city road now not a county road. I suggest that we have someone come out and give us a quote and see what it would cost, then we can take that number to Upper Neches River.

8. Necessary Tree Trimming.

Motion was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales and a second was made

by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to table issue meantime get with the Upper Neches River Authority and see what they will do. Council Member Phil Rutledge said he would go and the Mayor said he would go with him.

9. Make purchases for the Police Department.

Motion was made by Council Member Phil Rutledge and a second was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to purchase one Alco-Sensor for \$515.00 and two LEA Scorpion Micro Digital Cameras for \$280.00 for the Coffee City Police Department.

10. Review Quarterly Budget.

Mayor Wakeman said he was very impressed with what we have been doing so far, we do have a couple items that we need to address. The primary one is the computer expense, the question I had, we had approved upgrading our systems here, did we do that before this fiscal year? Council Member Phil Rutledge said yes but we said it would go in this fiscal year.

Mayor said he was looking at total expenses, we budgeted \$238,000.00 for expenses and we have finished the first quarter and we have only spent 16% of our budgeted amount . We forecasted \$238,000.00 in revenue and at the end of the first quarter we were 25.15% of our revenue we are actually over a little bit on our revenue we are doing pretty well.

Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost said the only other thing I would like to question is the notes payable I noticed on the check register we need to adjust our book to what is interest and what is principal and get that all straightened out.

Council Member Phil Rutledge said the Community Center income impressed him, compared to what we budgeted. Mayor Wakeman said once the kitchen is finished I think will get more rentals. Council Member Don Weaver said the EDC will do a little bit more advertising when it is finished, we have other plans to put up signs for promotion and put on website, we are going push a little bit harder since that is one of the assets of the City.

11. Approve any additional spending after Budget Review.

Mayor Wakeman said I don't think at this point we need to do any approving for any additional spending, basically we are within or under budget on almost everything, computer expense is the only real big question. There are no additional spending items that need to be considered at this time.

12. Mayors Report.

Mayor Wakeman said I have looked at the Community Center it is really looking very good in there, it's going to be a really nice kitchen, it is going to be a kitchen to be really proud of. I think it is really going to help the rentals on that Community Center. So during the day if any of you want to stop by down there and take a look at the Community Center, if it is not open we will be glad to have someone let you take a look in there to see what it looks like.

13. EDC Report.

EDC Treasurer Sandy Atteberry gave the EDC Report for August, Southside Bank beginning balance \$167,874.83, Sales Tax Deposit \$5,086.67, total \$172,961.50, expenses the City of Coffee City Secretary \$814.16, and Lowe's Cabinets for the Coffee City Community Center \$4,194.86, total expenses \$5009.02, ending balance \$167,952.48. Austin Bank beginning balance \$52,594.34, income from Duck Inn \$384.65, from Lake Palestine Motor Inn \$1,781.28, total deposits \$2,165.9, ending balance \$54,760.28. The explanation on our EDC Kitchen, EDC budgeted \$33,500.00, David Holcomb the contractor \$22,210.00, Lowes Appliances \$5,785.80, Lowes Hardware \$14.38, plus we had a credit \$124.42 from Cabinets, cabinet front for the three bowl sink \$402.14. The total we have spent on the kitchen so far is \$32,607.18.

14. Municipal Report.

Judge Bivens gave the Municipal Court Report, 76 New Cases, 15 Dismissed after Driving Safety Course, 11 Dismissed after Deferred Disposition, 1 Dismissed after Proof of Financial Responsibility, 3 Dismissed after Jail Credit, 2 Other Transportation Codes Dismissed, 36 Class C Warrants Issued, 2 Cases Appealed to County, Total Revenue \$14, 448.00, From Pioneer \$1,873.00, City \$7,787.00, Quarterly Taxes paid \$15,523.00, Transfer from Municipal

Court Account to General Fund \$23,037.15. Laura Holder got a job offer in San Antonio, her last day will be October 24th.

15. Police Report.

Chief Malone gave Police Report, 22 Calls of Service, 2 Accidents, 5 Agency Assists, 1 Theft, 1 Suspicious Person, 4 Call Outs, 2 Arrests. Reserve Officers 12, 3 Applications Pending. Unit 1 will be out of the shop tomorrow, Unit 2 is in the shop, we believe it is the heater hose, and Unit 3 is 100%. Also would like to mention again the cooperation of the neighboring departments Smith County, Henderson County, Frankston, and Coffee City Fire.

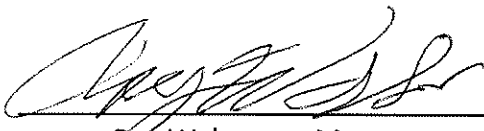
16. Fire Report.

Chief Malone did the Fire Report for Chief Moore, Chief Moore was at a Council Meeting in Berryville. Fire Report for September 3 Building Fires, 6 Rubbish, Grass, and Burn Ban Fires, 11 Medical Calls, 4 Tree Obstructions, 2 Boat Calls, 1 Smoke or Odor, 1 MVA's, 1 False Alarm, 3 Public Service (unlock 2 cars, and 1 house). Currently have 14 Senior Fire Fighters, one new prospect at this time, 7 of the 14 are Interior Fire Fighters. We were revisited by ISO, they did answer questions not answered by the previous inspector. We conducted three days of training at Eastman, Saturday was Structure Fire Interior and Exterior attacks, Sunday was CAFS (Compressed Air Foam Systems, Monday Live Fire and Smoke House.

Upcoming Events: Square Fair October 18, Henderson County Fire School October 25, Holiday Meal December 13, Pot Luck.

17. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Council Member Don Weaver and a second was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed for the meeting to adjourn at 6:55 p.m.



Ray Wakeman, Mayor



Angela Jones, City Secretary

COFFEE CITY, CITY COUNCIL

MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 8, 2014

The Coffee City Council met for a regular scheduled meeting on September 8, 2014. The meeting was held at The Coffee City, City Hall.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Wakeman called the meeting to order at 6:01 p.m.

2. Roll Call and announce if Quorum is present.

City Secretary Angela Jones called the roll with the following being present. Mayor Ray Wakeman, Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, Council Members Phil Rutledge, Don Weaver, Ruthie Seward, and Adam Gonzales.

3. 4. and 5. Consent Items.

Minutes from the August 11, 2014 Council Meeting, and Check Written Register for the month of August.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost and a second was made by Council Member Phil Rutledge. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to accept the Minutes for August 11th with the following corrections under 7. line 20, changed cannot to can. Under 8. last two lines changed from The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to The Council voted four (4) for and one (1) Council Member Don Weaver opposed.

Same motions and vote was for the Check Written Register for August except no corrections needed.

6. Open Forum.

Donna Dueling said she was informed a couple of days ago that there was a Recycling Bin in front of City Hall. I thought it was a Trash Bin for the City Hall and Fire Department. Is there some way we can get that out there for the people so they will know that is an option for them so they could bring their things here? I did not know, I took it home to Bud and he did not know.

Chief Moore said we could put a bigger sign there if that is alright, put sign on the container itself.

Mayor said yes that is fine, also put a list of items that are accepted.

Let's put this on the Website.

Council Member Don Weaver said Frankston Paper had Electronics Recycling too that I was real excited about in Poynor at Ken Geeslin's.

Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost said this Recycling out here does not take everything.

Betty Savage said Lauren could not be here tonight, he sent you something.

She said Lauren said this is to scratch your head when you cannot figure out what John Graham is up to.

Mayor said to J. Tom that the question came up about our Recycle Bin out in front, people not being aware of it. Can you put a little blurb in the paper that we have a Recycle Bin in front of City Hall? It is there all the time. It is for batteries, tin cans, aluminum cans, glass, and flat card board.

Chief Moore passed out Recycling information.

7. Wesley Beard Filling Vacant Seat on EDC.

Council Member Don Weaver said he was at an Estate Sale and he and Wesley were talking about development around Lake Palestine, he was very well informed and he mentioned Coffee City. That he had a place in Coffee City and asked about development there. I told him we would welcome it, I also told him I thought he would be a really good member for EDC. I went back and talked with Wesley and to my surprise he said yes. The reason why I think Wesley would be an incredible member is because he has done development in Frankston and Jacksonville. Wesley and his business dealings with all the Communities within a large, large radius of here. He is probably one of the most well informed individuals that I have met. I asked him if he would like to be on the EDC? He said yes that is my whole thing on Community Development.

Council Member Phil Rutledge asked is there going to be any conflicts of interest there?

Council Member Don Weaver said he had ask about development before that and we have a conflict of interest form that everyone at the EDC signs. I will spell it out here and I will spell it out at the EDC Meeting that Wesley does have this property that he wants to develop and he will sign his conflict of interest form. I don't think there will be any interference with his because he has

property everywhere. He lives in Diamond Head Bay.

Motion was made by Council Member Phil Rutledge, and a second was made by Council Member Ruthie Seward. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed for Wesley Beard to fill the vacant seat on the EDC.

8. Update on EDC purchasing the Strip Center.

Council Member Don Weaver said it is premature on that, we really have not done anything with it yet. I would like to postpone this till the next meeting and see what happens.

Council Member Phil Rutledge said before we postpone it I sent everybody a list of questions. My understanding the original proposal was \$150,000.00 to buy it.

Council Member Don Weaver said they have not even made that proposal yet. Council Member Phil Rutledge said the EDC as of last month had \$162,000.00 in their budget if you did that basically there is no money left. I think that with our situation with cash in this City right now doing anything I mean one good hail storm over there and you have a roof that needs to be replaced those are things that before we get too far down the line need to be looked at.

Mayor Wakeman said he is not to sure that anything is going to happen with that.

9. Update on Community Center.

Mayor Wakeman said the Cabinets have been delivered to the Community Center. Lowe's came out and inspected them and there is no damage to them. The contractor has been notified that they have been delivered.

Mayor said you talked to him didn't you Chris?

Chief Chris Moore said yes he got a message from him just prior to the meeting. He is going to wrap up his other jobs and start here on the 22nd. He is still anticipating three weeks. The Church has to be displaced for the next three weeks, Police need to be notified.

Council Member Phil Rutledge asked what about the Refrigerators and all the appliances?

Mayor Wakeman said they are going to be ordered on Wednesday.

Betty Savage said in the future consider the Community Center for a regular meeting, to see if we can get the people that are meeting in Frankston down here so we can teach the people concerning the drugs.

Mayor Wakeman asked what meeting are you referring to?

Betty Savage answered they are going to start having classes I think where the ex-soldier boys meet, the VFW. I just wondered if we could use the Community Center here because we have a lot of people down here in this area, in fact I suppose this is about the drug capitol of the world.

Council Member Don Weaver said Carpenters Cross the church over here and Ron Ivey it was written in the Frankston Paper that they are working on a particular program and we have the glory of having our name put in that article as Coffee City is where some of the people are coming from. It is not something that can just be casually done, you really have to have skilled people that know exactly what they are doing.

Betty Savage said you have to have a lot of thought behind it.

10. Mayors Report.

Mayor Wakeman announced Allied Waste Clean Up Days will be October 11th and 12th that is where they bring the dumpsters down to Coffee City and I think they will have a couple at Brierwood Bay. Last time they put two dumpsters here by City Hall and two at Brierwood Bay and one in Highsaw. You cannot put tires in the dumpsters, there were some tires thrown in the last one. Thanks to Adam on our last Clean Up Day there were some tires thrown in the dumpster out here and some in front of Brierwood, and he was gracious enough to come over here and take them out.

Mayor Pro Tem asked can we make up a little poster or something that says no tires, something to put in front of the canisters she will make one if we do not have one.

Mayor said he has been in correspondence with Mr. Webb who is in charge of TXDOT, he is officed in Tyler. They are going to do a Traffic Study for 155 and 3506 for the possibility of having a Traffic Signal there, so that is going to be in the works and I did inform him that Wal-Mart Express is going to be locating in Coffee City and it will be near that intersection which would increase traffic.

11. EDC Report.

EDC Treasurer Sandy Atteberry was not here to give EDC Report.

12. Municipal Court Report.

Judge Bivens gave the Municipal Court Report for the month of August, 77 New Cases, 8 Dismissed after DSC, 3 Dismissed after Deferred Disposition, 1

Dismissed after Proof of Financial Responsibility, 3 Cases Dismissed after Jail Credit, Issued 33 Class C Warrants, brought in a total of \$9,686.00, \$1,401.00 was from Pioneer, After Taxes the City gets to keep about \$5,400.00. We have Pre Trials set for September 22nd.

13. Police Report.

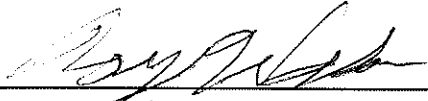
Chief Malone gave Police Report for the month of August, Calls for Service 26, Accidents 2, Agency Assists 6, Burglaries 3, Suspicious People 2, Call Outs 6, Arrests 4, one of these were for Evading Arrest, and three were for Warrant Services. We currently have 12 Reserve Officers, we currently have two applications pending. Unit 1 is going in the shop for repairs. Unit 2 is having the camera repaired. Unit 3 is 100%. Also I would like to mention again the cooperation of the neighboring departments, Smith County, Henderson County, Frankston and Coffee City Fire. The area for the Burglaries was Brierwood Bay. Also last month we did recover a stolen vehicle it was right out here in the County right past the bridge it was stolen out of Nacogdoches the night before. We recovered it, the Sheriff's Department came and got the wrecker. I stopped, it just seemed kind of weird to me checked it out, sure enough it was stolen. Also I mentioned this last month as of right now I have two officers that are Certified SWAT Members that is Sergeant Lamont Hughes, and Officer James Robbins.

14. Fire Report.

Chief Moore gave the Fire Report, 21 Calls, 1 House Fire, a couple of Grass Fires, we run about 8 or 9 Medical Calls a month, 1 Tree, and 4 Boat Calls. We have 14 Fire Fighters, 7 of them are interiors. Upcoming Events, Fall Meeting for Northeast Texas 27th, in Gilmer. School in October 4th through 6th at Longview Eastman. Henderson County Fire School 25th. Five people completed Boat Rescue 2 Class. We did Boat Rescue 1 about this time last year. Ropes and Knots and Forcible Entry we are still finishing a few people off on that. Just want to let everybody know that our guys and gals Saturday ran 14 calls in a 9 hour period at one point we had 4 going at once, so they did a really good job. We had 3 grass fires and a car fire, we had just come off the boat, doing 2 boat rescues so that is 7 in a hour and a half, and then the storm got crazy. Mayor announced today is the Fire Chief's 50th Birthday.

15. Adjournment.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, and a second was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed for the meeting to adjourn at 6:26 p.m.



Ray Wakeman, Mayor



Angela Jones, City Secretary

**COFFEE CITY, CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
AUGUST 11, 2014**

The Coffee City Council met for a regular scheduled meeting on August 11, 2014. The meeting was held at The Coffee City, City Hall.

1. Call to Order.

Mayor Wakeman called the meeting to order at 6:01p.m.

2. Roll Call and announce if Quorum is present.

City Secretary Angela Jones called the roll with the following being present. Mayor Ray Wakeman, Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost, Council Members Phil Rutledge, Don Weaver, Ruthie Seward, and Adam Gonzales.

3. 4. and 5. Consent Items.

Minutes from the July 14, 2014 Council Meeting, and Check Written Register for the month of July.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost and a second was made by Council Member Adam Gonzales. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to accept the Minutes as written from the July 14th, Council Meeting, and the Check Written Register for the month of July.

6. Open Forum.

Commissioner Geeslin stated he did not know how many of you would read the Athens Review and it was not in the Frankston Paper. I have some good news. First I will apologize that it took so long, about a year but through constant e-mails and phone calls to Allison Bass and Associates we have been able to rectify the Voting Precinct issue. Which involved your road and all of you that live on Coffee Landing, and in Diamond Head Bay, your Voting Precinct is now in Coffee City. Do not be surprised when you receive new Voter Registration Cards indicating 4CC rather than 4BB. It was approved through Court two weeks ago and I just saved it for tonight.

Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost wanted to address an issue that was in the paper, in the Letter to the Editor. It said this Council is causing rumors on several fronts, but then it only mentioned two. The first one was about Brierwood Bay Subdivision, but because that is under a suit I am not at liberty to say anything. The second one however I can, the article says rumor mill also rumbles that in the next several months we will lose the Coffee City Police Dept. all together. I would like to say that, that rumor was started back in 2010-2011 and is perpetuated still today by the author of that article. It has never been the intention of anyone on this Council to get rid of the police dept.. Matter a fact we worked very hard trying to clean up the image of the police dept., which we have done by hiring Donny Malone who has an advanced Peace Certificate. One of the highest licenses you can get as our Chief of Police. He has done an excellent job of getting a very fine group of Reserve Officers to help patrol this city. We just increased the budget for the police dept. this year. I

cannot remember a Council Meeting that this Mayor did not say what a great job that he thought the police dept. was doing. Does this sound like we want to get rid of the police dept.?

If this Council wanted to get rid of this police dept. it would already be gone. So let's just end that rumor right now. Chief keep up the good work. That was by Pam Drost the current Mayor Pro Tem.

Lauren Savage said he was not going to say anything at this point in the meeting but that opened the door. I think yall have done a fantastic job holding this mess back, cleaning up the Council, cleaning up the police dept., and getting the budget back in line it was so far out of balance you were almost bankrupt. Because you are not one of John Grahams monkeys, I give you a professional way of doing it.

Mayor Wakeman said he wanted to elaborate on her comments a little bit. Our police dept. today is operating better than it has ever operated. We have the finest group of Reserve Officers that you will be able to find anywhere in the entire East Texas. We are very proud of what Donny has done and he has the full support of this Council, and we plan on keeping the police dept. Good work Donny.

7. Enforcing Ordinance to be able to collect Hotel/Motel Tax in our ETJ.

Mayor Wakeman stated that is clearly states in our ordinance, at this time Mayor read first paragraph in ordinance pertaining to the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction.

Under state law we are permitted to do that and they did include it, that's one good thing they did before. They included in the ordinance when they adopted it to collect Hotel/Motel Tax. So what I'm asking the Council to do tonight is to go ahead vote on approving enforcing this ordinance to start collecting Hotel/Motel Tax. This primarily will be addressed to Lake Palestine Camp Ground. They have not been paying it. Council Member Adam Gonzales asked who is the enforcement arm on this Mayor? Mayor Wakeman answered we are, the City Council. Council Member Adam Gonzales asked is anyone specifically assigned to that?

Mayor Wakeman answered we will have to write them a letter informing them that they will have to start paying Hotel/Motel Tax, and at the rate they will be paying it, and they will pay us directly once a month and we have the authority to audit their books if we question what they are reporting.

Council Member Phil Rutledge asked do we have to go to the state to get approval or anything?

Council Member Donald Weaver stated it is a good thing Adam we have donated a lot of money to the resort, this year four grand and, the past year spent at least twenty thousand dollars directly on fishing tournaments, so it's not like we are crippling this poor man. Mayor Wakeman stated the money we collect can be used to pay for fishing tournaments that we have been paying for out of other places that have been paying Hotel/Motel Tax. Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost did actually contact the State Comptrollers Office to specifically ask about this because I was under the impression that they collected it as well. I did not realize, but he told me, sent me an e-mail the City does it on a local level. I tried to find out how it was handled back in 2010 when that was passed if just a letter was written or how it was done I don't know cannot find any of that. We will start the collecting the day of the letter or within the month. I think it would be good for when we do collect this Hotel/Motel Tax to advertise for these businesses, they are paying that tax in we could

certainly advertise tourism for them. Council Members Donald Weaver and Ruthie Seward agreed that it was on their list to do but it has not been taken care of. Motion was made by Council Member Ruthie Seward and a second was made by Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost. The Council voted five (5) for and none (0) opposed to enforce the ordinance that we already have concerning the Extraterritorial Jurisdiction.

8. Resolution to approve for Reserve Officers to use their Personal Police Equipped Vehicles while Patrolling.

Mayor Wakeman said you have a copy of the Resolution and documentation that you asked for last time addressing that. This does not address anyone particular type of vehicle. This addresses cars or motorcycles.

Council Member Donald Weaver thinks we are in a unique situation being at most of the enforcement is going to be on 155, the two bridges and in between. I don't think that it's a safe place to be using a motorcycle, don't really think it's necessary. I spoke with Wayne, he is qualified and his equipment no question about that at all. I still do question the safety of our officers on a motorcycle, on the bridges and between the two. I think that if it were needed that would be one thing but it is really not. I'm going to vote for this the only thing I would like to add would be to put that in there excluding motorcycles. Even if Wayne is and he is everything that you say it is this particular Resolution will carry on to the next guy. I was in Tyler and observed their motorcycle cops in action, what they do is they chase somebody down and then they pull them off to a side road. On our particular situation we don't have that luxury we have a small dangerous strip of highway, a lot of entrances and exits. The most tragic accidents they have had with motorcycle cops it's not the motorcycle cop it's when they pull somebody over on the side of the road and they get run over. If you look at the Highway Patrol, you look at Tyler, I could list a bunch of them. When did this happen, no they were not chasing a guy down they were pulled over on the side of the road and got ran over. The Tyler motorcycle cop had eight lights on his motorcycle and you really could not see it that well. I would like to exclude motorcycles from this.

Council Member Phil Rutledge said my point of view on the other side if he's qualified, he has the bike he's done it. I don't feel like it is my duty to make sure everybody in the world stays safe. I understand completely what your saying a man's got a job to do he's obviously done it before using a motorcycle and I agree with you certain times of the year when there ice or rain, but on a good day there's lot's of places to pull over.

Mayor Pro Tem Pam Drost said she was trying to list some pro's and con's for both, I keep coming up with the con's. I want to hear some arguments that would be good for it, my main con other than the safety is that motorcycle is used for traffic enforcement and if he stopped a DWI or if he stopped someone that had outstanding warrants you cannot arrest them and take them in you are going to have to call in another car unit to arrest somebody and call backup, I feel like he could just be using the car and accomplish the same purpose, I just don't see the purpose of us having to worry about his safety. That's why we got rid of that Camaro you could not put anybody in the back seat.

Council Member Ruthie Seward said she was open minded to the motorcycle part but them using their own personal vehicles, we are putting too much money into the two or three Cars we have for them to come to work in their own vehicle.

Council Member Phil Rutledge replied it is going to be saving the City money.