

**MINUTES**

**CITY OF PURCELL  
PURCELL PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY  
JOINT SPECIAL MEETING  
OCTOBER 26, 2022  
5:30P.M.  
IN THE DOWNSTAIRS COMMUNITY ROOM OF  
PURCELL CITY HALL  
230 WEST MAIN STREET**

**1. Call to order and declaration of a quorum present.**

Mayor Fishburn called the meeting to order and declared a quorum to be present at 5:32 p.m.

**2. Roll Call.**

Roll call was conducted by City Clerk, Andrea Millsap, with the following results:

Council present: Ted Cox, Graham Fishburn, Theda Engert, Jay Tate, Allen Eubanks.

Council absent:

Staff present: Dale Bunn, Victor Lohn, Andrea Millsap, John Blue, Serena Melton,  
Michael Minor, Rachael Huey

Counsel: Greg Dixon

**3. Pledge of Allegiance.**

Mayor Fishburn led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Allen Eubanks offered the invocation.

**4. Welcome.**

Mayor Fishburn welcomed guests, staff, and council members.

**5. Discussion of Agenda Items.**

Mayor Fishburn called for any discussion of agenda items.

**6. Approve the Consent Agenda:**

**All items listed under the Consent Agenda are deemed to be non-controversial and routine in nature by the governing body. They will be approved by one motion of the governing body. The items on the Consent Agenda WILL NOT be discussed. Any member of the governing body desiring to discuss an item on the Consent Agenda may request it be removed from the Consent Agenda and placed in its proper order on the regular agenda for consideration.**

**a. Approval of minutes for September 6, 2022, City of Purcell Regular Meeting.**

**b. Approval of minutes for September 6, 2022, Purcell Public Works Authority Meeting.**

**c. Approval of minutes for September 20, 2022, Joint Special Meeting.**

**d. Approval of minutes for October 3, 2022, City of Purcell Regular Meeting.**

**e. Approval of minutes for October 3, 2022, Purcell Public Works Authority  
Regular Meeting.**

Councilman Cox made a motion second by Councilman Tate to approve the consent agenda as written.

Yes: Cox, Tate Eubanks, Fishburn                      No: None      Absent: Engert

**7. Discussion and possible action to approve the purchase of playground equipment for the Rotary Playground based on the recommendation of the Parks and Recreation Advisory Board.**

John Blue presented information for 2 proposals, Option A (\$279,000.00 and Option B (\$177,000.00), giving descriptions of each, the ages each would accommodate, and other general information. Capacity is just over 100 for each. It was noted that sidewalk is the only “city” work that would need to be done and Mr. Blue believed he may be able to get that donated. If not, would be approximately \$10,000.00. Mr. Blue noted he currently had \$63,000.00 in donations and more is pending from other groups.

Ariel Anglin gave her opinion about which structure is preferred. Matt Simon gave additional information. Additional general discussion was had about possibility of additional playground equipment in the future, family seating/benches.

Discussion was had about funding and current financial situation.

Estimated to be completed by spring 2023.

Councilman Cox, made a motion second by Councilman Eubanks to approve funds up to \$216,000.00 for playground option A.

Yes: Cox, Eubanks, Tate, Engert, Fishburn                      No: None      Absent: None

**8. Discussion and possible action to approve Amendment No. 3 to the Owner-Engineer Agreement with Parkhill, for “Rehabilitate Runway Lights and Install 2-Box PAPIs.”**

Toby Baker presented information concerning the replacement of runway lights with new LED fixtures and replace direct buried cable with PVC encased electric (currently a short in the system and currently cannot be operated on its highest intensity). Estimated total cost \$460,000.00 (city has 10% match with FFA grant covering 90%). Other lighting and safety features would be included. Estimated time of start for project would be after July 1, 2023.

Question was asked about budget/timing. Toby noted \$46,000.00 before the fiscal year was over and city would be reimbursed out of the FAA grant once it’s received. Engineering is \$32,300.00, field surveys and other items.

Was noted that the prior estimate of \$336,000.00 was from last fall. The \$460,000.00 is from current estimate that was rerun this week. Was also noted with both the lighting project and PAPI project being done at the same time it would be cheaper as they could both be run in the same conduit.

Councilman Tate made a motion second by Councilman Cox to approve Agenda Item No. 8 as written.

Yes: Tate, Cox, Engert, Eubanks, Fishburn

No: None Absent: None

**9. Discussion and possible action to approve Amendment No. 4 to the Owner-Engineer Agreement with Parkhill, for “Construct Hangers.”**

The 90/10 FAA grant previously discussed requires that an airport have at least 10 based aircraft to be eligible to receive the grants. Historically Purcell has been eligible for \$150,000.00 each fiscal year. An additional \$110,000.00 is now available. So we now have available \$260,000.00 each fiscal year which can be banked for up to 4 years. If 1 of our airplanes leave, we are no longer eligible for the federal funding.

Starting last year The Oklahoma Aeronautics Commission, a state agency, developed a program to give municipalities 30% grant to build hangars and is currently capped at \$300,000.00, but the cap is under review to possibly remove the cap. In August OAC asked for letters of interest from municipalities wanting to do a hangar project. Purcell submitted a letter and was 1 of 6 that was selected to receive this grant should we choose to apply. This would help ensure we would continue to receive the FAA funding. Looking at 2 hangars and then add 2 alternates that would add a 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> hanger. These would be under 1 roof, share petition walls, and is very efficient. Currently have \$220,000.00 under the new funding and those funds could be used towards the hangar project to reduce the amount the city would have to contribute.

Councilman Cox made a motion second by Councilwoman Engert to approve Agenda Item No. 9 as written

Yes: Cox, Engert, Fishburn

No: Tate, Eubanks Absent: None

**10. Discussion concerning capital improvement water plans.**

Kenny Sullivan presented.

- 3 Test Wells currently in process.
- Looking at extension of 6” line in Criner area which would open up 50-100 additional meters.
- Johnson Road water line extension (12” line) from highway 3,000-4,000 feet. Would extend another 1¼ mile to tie in at 180<sup>th</sup> & Johnson to open up that area for more development. (50-75 meters)

These 2 areas are currently in a moratorium so no more meters are being sold in those areas. This would open up 5-8 square miles around Johnson Road, basically west of Johnson Road.

Noted that if development is seeking water, the developer pays for the construction of their line and the city only pays the difference to upsize it to 12” and be able to sell taps for the additional water available.

- The 3<sup>rd</sup> item concerns the new turnpike. There is no final alignment but there is a possibility they will have to take the I-35 tower. If that does happen, they would have to replace it “in kind.” It could be moved and we could take an alternate bid to go a little taller and a little smaller for the same price and match that with District 7 and have both of those systems

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tied together. Also a possibility, if that was done, to do away with one of the booster stations. More storage is anticipated in the next 10-20 years in District 7 and this could be an opportunity. Fifteen years ago we paid \$17.00/foot for 12" installed. Blanchard just awarded a project 7,000 feet, 12" line, \$120.00/foot. Mr. Sullivan noted that he was not over conservative with pricing, this is real pricing today. If don't 2-3 years later, we may have to add some inflation to this estimate.

Mr. Sullivan gave explanation of changing the size of the tower, being that only the top 30-40 feet of 120 foot tall tower.

Discussion was had about capacity. Currently we can pump 2500 gallons/min 3.5 million gallons/day, however, we're starting to get choked with 12" lines that feed all those and connect all the wells to the 18" line. The next step is that there's a fixed capacity on the 18" line. Wells need to be added and we need to get an additional 12" in the ground. Mr. Cox noted we have enough water rights to the year 2063, in the Lexington Wildlife Refuge, to handle the need but have need for infrastructure to feed from the wellfields.

Mr. Sullivan noted that phase 1 is to keep building wells, phase 2 is an addition 12" line within the wellfield itself, a collector line, phase 3 would be an additional 12"-18" line.

Mr. Tate asked if our inflow is 3.5 million, what is the outflow? Michael Minor noted we have capability of 3.5 million but we only have two 12" that collect everything, that goes to one 12." Currently 2 million can be distributed. Last peak capacity was 1.8 million/day.

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Mr. Tate questioned the aquifer level. Mr. Sullivan noted that 6-7 years ago the levels were consistent, they had not been drawn down. Mr. Minor noted it is monitored every quarter. This quarter draw down's were high. The standard procedure for the wellfield is a 20 year draw down meaning if we pump capacity on this wellfield 24/7 20 years, this is how much we can draw. We don't draw that much and have good spacing, and have been able to keep drawdown to a minimum. The wellfield is healthy.

Mr. Bunn noted Goldsby and Newcastle have increased their impact fees. Purcell's is currently \$2,000.00 and believes we need to raise that amount in order to pay for infrastructure.

Test holes were approved in August, the test hole drilling company was 4 months out which put us in the middle of deer season so it will be February before test holes can be drilled. He noted a 12" line can be done to remedy the current situation until new wells can be drilled. Mr. Cox noted that's a \$3.4 million project. With current well capacity and an additional 12" line we should be up to the capacity with the additional housing anticipated.

Mr. Minor noted with regular maintenance and keeping up with orders, he's already out of budget for repair. Prices are 10-fold.

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Mr. Tate asked if there was a plan to identify older lines. Mr. Sullivan noted if 2-3 leaks on the same line, those are noted and are on the plan to be replaced. Mr. Minor noted a full line replacement is too costly to replace the entire line, so they are repairing and replacing block to block as necessary.

**11. City Council Comments.**

**Councilman Cox:**

Reminder that Friday at 2:00 p.m. is the ribbon cutting for the new hospital.

**Councilwoman Engert:**

None.

**Councilman Tate:**

Thanked the hotel tax committee and other donors for the donation to the parks department for new playground.

Thanked John Blue and Parks Department for getting the playground going.

Feels citizens should be more diligent in what we do and feels we need to be cautious with their tax dollars.

**Councilman Eubanks:**

None.

**Mayor Fishburn:**

Thanked everyone for their time.

**12. City Manager and staff comments.**

None.

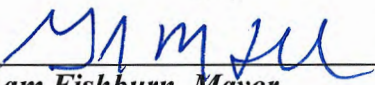
**13. City Attorney comments.**

None.

**14. Adjourn.**

Mayor Fishburn declared the meeting to be adjourned at 6:56 p.m.

*Approved this 5<sup>th</sup> day of December 2022*

  
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*Graham Fishburn, Mayor*

*Attest:*

  
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*Andrea Millsap, City Clerk*

