

City of Caney Workshop

Monday, April 24t, 2023 at 6:30 p.m.

1. Topic 1: Chicken Ordinance

Presented by City Clerk, Amber Dean

1. We have had several citizen calls asking about a status update on the Chicken Ordinance. Paul has reviewed and revised the ordinance presented, and it is approved by him.

2. Topic 2: Substance Abuse Policy

Presented by City Clerk, Amber Dean

1. Paul Kritz is currently reviewing and updated the Substance Abuse Policy to make things clearer. Once he has completed the policy. I will bring it to Council for review.
2. Our Incode Software does have a feature that will randomly select the employee who is getting tested.

3. Topic 3: Waste Connection's Contract

Presented by City Clerk, Amber Dean

- a. Waste Connections just completed a Poly-cart Audit. We had 47 accounts not being billed for 2 poly-carts. This has been corrected.
- b. Waste Connections is going to complete a Dumpster Audit next
- c. Our contract with Waste Connections expires on 12/1/2023. We must send a notice of non-renewal beginning of July, if not then the Contract will automatically renew for 5 years. Do we want to go out for bids?

4. Topic 4: General Updates on Council Topics

Presented by City Clerk, Amber Dean

- a. Adding Sewer Units to the Utility Bill- We are working with Incode to make the utility bills clearer. We are hoping to break out the bill to show the following items on separate lines
 - i. Water Base Fee
 - ii. Water Usage and Rate
 - iii. Sewer Base Fee
 - iv. Sewer Usage and Average Rate
 - v. Trash
 - vi. Water Protection Fee
- b. Park Swings- We order 2 baby swings, and 9 regular swings for the park. The Sign for the South Park has been installed as well as the sign for the park on Wood Street.
- c. Park Bathroom- The Public Works crew repaired the leak on Wednesday, April 19th, 2023. Public Works advised they keep the bathrooms locked to avoid vandalism. Is this something you want to continue? Or unlock them?
 - i. Public Works also removed the lattice near the park bathrooms.

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5. Topic 5: Insurance Policy Update

Presented by City Administrator, Kelley Zellner

1. Deanna Hazen with LaForge Insurance will be in attendance to go over items and answer any questions you may have.
2. See attached documents for more details

6. Topic 6: Emergency Water Line

Presented by City Administrator, Kelley Zellner

1. With the current drought condition, Caney Valley River levels and Timberhill River levels, we are going to reach out to Chautauqua 4 to run the emergency water line.

7. Topic 7: Water Conservation

Presented by City Administrator, Kelley Zellner

1. With the current drought condition, Caney Valley River levels and Timberhill River levels, we are going to need to enter into a water conservation.
2. The Mayor may have to issue a proclamation entering the City of Caney into a Water Watch later this week.
3. Which brings us to the Pool Topic? We need to discuss if we are going to open or delay the pool opening until June or July?

8. Topic 8: Water Rate

Presented by City Administrator, Kelley Zellner

1. The House Bill has passed but we are still short between \$40,000-\$50,000 in our O&M.
2. We need to consider raising the water rates to cover the shortfall.
3. Attached document shows for options for consideration.

9. Topic 9: Bulk Water

Presented by City Administrator, Kelley Zellner

1. I have spoken with Paul Kritz about increasing our Bulk Water rate. He stated that an ordinance will not need to be passed, that we can increase the Bulk Water rate to the usage rate. We would like to match the Bulk Water Rate to the usage rate, instead of the current cost of \$1.00 per 748 gallons