

CITY OF IVANHOE
SPECIAL MEETING MINUTES

October 28, 2019
6:30 PM

Meeting was called to order by Mayor Bennett at 6:30PM. Quorum established with all Council present except Councilman Herrington. There were no individuals present in the audience. Public Works Director Mr. David Marshall was present.

Agenda Item #1 – Possible Purchase of Gradall

Mayor Bennett explained the special meeting is due to the machine being found for sale on the internet and a need to act quickly. She turned the floor to Mr. David Marshall to provide information on the machine that he has found. The Model G3WDE is used and has a price of \$21,500 with a delivery charge of \$1800.

Mr. Marshall noted that the machine has 3801 hours and about 12,000 miles. His research indicates the machine belonged to Martin Marietta and probably stayed on a yard as indicated by the low mileage. He has a contact who is a machine operator/instructor who lives near where the machine is located and will do a hands on equipment check and report back to Mr. Marshall with his finding.

Councilman Priddy made the motion to move forward with purchasing the Gradall if it is found to be in good condition, with a second submitted by Councilman Morris.

In discussion Mayor Bennett commented that the cost of doing ditch work per the estimate for the upcoming street and drainage is \$60,000 per mile. At that rate the machine would pay off for itself fairly quickly. Mr. Marshall observed that Gradall machines are great and tough, but when the machine breaks down it is costly for repair. Councilman Morris asked what the options are when the machine needs repair. Mr. Marshall noted it will need to go to machinery repair shop (probably Doggett). There was discussion about the size of the bucket that can be placed on the machine. Mayor Bennett informed Council that a lot is being donated to the City so there will be space for the material that is removed from the ditches. Councilman Warren expressed a concern about the cost of the machine that was not initially budgeted for. Mayor Bennett explained that the budget has a line item for Equipment Purchase. Councilman Warren said he also is concerned if the sales tax item on the Nov. 5th ballot does not pass, the budget will be short \$38,000 in income. Mayor Bennett said that there is \$80,000 in the Capital Improvements/Equipment Acquisitions line item, and that no other expenditures would take place before the Nov. 5th election on the sales tax.

Following the discussion from Council, Mayor Bennett called for the vote. The vote was 3 in favor and 1 opposed (Councilman Warren)

Agenda Item #2 – Adjourn

Councilman Priddy made the motion to adjourn with a second by Councilman Morris, and the meeting was concluded at 6:54 PM.

Respectfully submitted,

C. D. Woodrome, City Secretary