**Call to Order & Prayer:** Chris Peck

**Pledge of Allegiance**

**Approval of September 5th Minutes**

Motion to approve: Michelle Cole, seconded by Chris Peck; all approved.

**Adoption of October 2nd Agenda**

Motion to approve: Michelle Cole, seconded by Ray Thomas; all approved.

Mayor Opening Remarks: Mayor Wyatt welcomed new meeting attendees, and reminded the public of the public input session after each agenda grouping.

**Present:** Mayor Tim Wyatt, Chris Peck, Michelle Cole, Roger Fortson, Ray Thomas, Tony Mattox, Bill Grimes, Kerri-Lynn Phillips, Elisa Grimes, Dale Perry entered the meeting at 7:05 p.m., attached list.

**NEW BUSINESS**

**Resident Susan Moore** asked if the City would be interested in some donated trees to plant, and spoke at length about speeding on North Fourth Street. Her concerns included her yard maintenance provider almost being hit by a speeder as well as a goose being struck and killed in the middle of the road also. Mayor Wyatt agreed that speeding is up in the city and mentioned it happening in his neighborhood as well.

**PUBLIC INPUT**

Three other city residents spoke regarding speeders in their neighborhood as well. Mayor Wyatt agreed that there needed to be something done in regards to speeders for the safety of all citizens and children, and will be speaking with the Sheriff. Councilmember Chris Peck made a motion to purchase speed humps that were in immediate need. Roger Fortson seconded the motion; all approved.

**UNFINSIHED BUSINESS**

**Park Road Repair Quote**

A bid from Smith’s Grading was received for the repairs to the park road. Work to be done includes removal of three large trees on each side of existing pipe to remove and install a new pipe, as well as asphalt patching once project is completed. The estimate totaled $20,084.40. A motion to accept the bid was made by Chris Peck and seconded by Roger Fortson; all approved.

**Post Office Tree Work Quote**

One bid has been received for the removal and clean up of trees on city property at the post office. A motion to table was made by Michelle Cole, and seconded by Chris Peck. All approved.

**Auditorium Window Quotes**

Two quotes have been received for the removal and replacement of two, four, or six windows in the Auditorium. As of recent, there has been improvements completed in the Auditorium, including the replacement of one HVAC unit. It was agreed that the windows needed addressing, however the issue was tabled until a later date. Motion to table was made by Chris Peck and was seconded by Roger Fortson. All approved.

**Library Equipment & Software Purchase**

The Council was presented with the estimates for the library equipment and software. The issue was tabled at the previous month’s meeting due to Mayor Wyatt’s absence. Flo Hix was in attendance and she agreed to pay for the equipment and software, as well as the addition of a smart board for the library. Council agreed.

**2024 Budget Input**

City Clerk, Kerri-Lynn Phillips recommended having funds in place for the rental of equipment such as tractors, trailers, heavy equipment, tools, etc. Tony Mattox spoke regarding what would be most beneficial for the maintenance department. A used tractor, truck, and trailer would be most used and beneficial for work to be done around the town.

**Department Reports**

Mayor Pro Tem – Chris Peck spoke regarding a local property that has been in disrepair and of need of attention. The property could be considered a health hazard. The property where the old school bus should be addressed in addition to that property,

Fire Dept. Liaison – Tim Wyatt spoke regarding the new fire department building. As of this week, the insulation has been delivered.

Grass Cutting/Park – Michelle Cole spoke of events to be held at the park during the upcoming month.

Streets & Lighting – Roger Fortson had nothing to report.

Assisting Tony with Maintenance & Repairs – Ray Thomas had nothing to report.

A motion to adjourn was made by Chris Peck and seconded by Michelle Cole. All approved.

**Upcoming Meetings/Events**

*Christmas in Colbert Planning Meeting 1 – Monday, October 9, 2023 – 7 p.m. @ Auditorium*

*Park Meeting – Thursday, October 12, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.*

*Revival at the Park, Contact Betty Boyd – Friday – Sunday, October 20-22, 2023*

*Park Meeting – Thursday, October 26, 2023 – 6:30 p.m.*

*Trunk or Treat at the Park – Sunday, October 29, 2023*

*November City Council Meeting – Monday, November 6, 2023*