Minutes of

Cresson City Council Meeting February 13, 2024

Mayor Conway called the City Council Meeting of Cresson, Texas to order at 7:00 P.M. on February 13, 2024, at the City Council Chambers. Attendance as follows:

Mayor Teena Conway

Ron Becker (absent)

Lisa Clement

Jeff Keeney

Gary Robertson

Melanie Athey

City Attorney Rachel Raggio

Mayor Conway gave the invocation and Councilperson Keeney led us in the Pledge of Allegiance and the Texas Pledge.

The meeting is opened to the public.

Citizen's Comments

None

Mayor's Report and Comments

A. Update on crime/sheriff report. Tabled

B. Update on Hood County Clean Air Coalition.

- The North Central Texas Council of Governments (NCTCOG) contracted with the University of Houston to conduct air quality monitoring in Cresson, Texas during the 2023 ozone season as part of the TCEQ Rider 7 Air Quality Planning Grant program for Hood County. The Hood County Clean Air Coalition is partnered with the NCTCOG in air quality planning using this grant to address the ozone air quality issues that face Hood County. Hood County is designated in attainment of the 70 parts per billion 2015 Ozone Standard, but measurements at the county monitor are currently over this standard. The high readings at the monitor make projects like this even more important to trying to understand the air quality issues in the county and identify ways to lower emissions that contribute to ozone formation to try to bring the measurements at the monitor back under the ozone standard.
- The monitoring project included measurements of nitric oxide, nitrogen dioxide, ozone, volatile organic compounds, wind speed, wind direction, relative humidity, ambient pressure, and ambient temperature. Nitric oxide, nitrogen dioxide, and volatile organic compounds are the components that form ozone at ground level.
- The project was successful in collecting data for 92% of the monitoring period. Nitrogen compound measurements showed higher concentrations and larger variability from the evening until morning which was followed by lower concentration and lower variability during the day and early evenings. The nitric oxide concentrations increased during morning traffic. The fluctuations in nitric oxide and nitrogen dioxide are likely due to a combination of meteorological conditions and emission sources including vehicle traffic.
- The monitoring trailer could return to Cresson to collect additional data but is not currently scheduled to return. Planning for activities for the next grant cycle is just beginning.
- The Hood County Clean Air Coalition and North Central Texas Council of Governments are very appreciative of the City of Cresson's assistance with this project. This project allowed for collection of air quality data closer to the nonattainment counties of Tarrant, Johnson, and Parker so that comparisons could be made to data from those counties to help better understand the role that transport of emissions from outside of Hood County contributes to the ozone air quality issues in Hood County.

Deliberation Agenda

- **A.** Consider and possibly act to approve the Resolution Calling for Election. Councilperson Keeney makes a motion to approve the resolution as written. Councilperson Clement seconded the motion. 4 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.
- **B.** Approve the minutes from the City Council meeting held on January 9, 2024. Councilperson Athey makes a motion to approve the minutes as written. Councilperson Robertson seconds the motion. 4 ayes and 0 nays. The motion is passed unanimously.

Mayor mentions an item of interest to the valued City Council, City Staff, citizens of Cresson and visitors. Mayor Conway reads her letter of resignation effective immediately.

Adjourn

The meeting is adjourned at 7:25 P.M.

Ron Becker, Mayor Pro Tem

Katy Froyd, City Secretary