

MINUTES OF THE COWETA CITY COUNCIL/COWETA PUBLIC WORKS AUTHORITY  
JOINT EMERGENCY MEETING

MAY 25, 2019

8:00 P.M.

The members of the Coweta City Council, and Trustees of Coweta Public Works Authority, met in a joint emergency session on Saturday, May 25, 2019, at 8:00 p.m. at Coweta City Hall, 310 S Broadway, Coweta, Oklahoma.

COUNCILMEMBERS/TRUSTEES PRESENT: Evette Morris, Harold Chance, Naomi Hogue (by telephone), Logan Brown, Randy Woodward.

COUNCILMEMBERS/TRUSTEES ABSENT: None.

STAFF PRESENT: Roger Kolman, Brittany Long, Rob Werley, Chip Cohrs, Greg Edwards, Mike Bell.

- I. The meeting was called to order by Mayor/Chairman Morris.
- II. Roll call taken. Councilmembers/Trustees present and absent as shown above.
- III. OLD BUSINESS

Discussion held regarding the domestic water system for the City of Coweta. City/Trust Manager Roger Kolman gave an update on the status of infrastructure in Coweta and the surrounding areas. It was stated that the two intake pumps at the Water Treatment Facility are no longer operational due to being underwater and we have roughly 7 days of raw water in the reservoir available for treatment and distribution through the domestic water system. He also mentioned that Wagoner County Rural Water District No. 5 has a floating intake system which is still operational and the City will be doing an interconnect between the two water systems to help supplement the City's water supply. City Engineer Chip Cohrs stated that once the water recedes, the motors and electrical work will need to be checked out and replaced.

Public Works Director Rob Werley stated that he will contact his contractor to rebuild the electrical panel once the water recedes but it will probably take about 3 to 4 weeks to complete. The motors to the pumps then need to be dried out which will take about 4 to 5 days. It was also mentioned that Wagoner County Emergency Management is helping to find Federal resources to help expedite the process.

Fire Chief Greg Edwards stated that the Verdigris River is currently at 42 ½ feet of measurable depth, and is expected to rise to 46 feet by Sunday morning. The current depth is approximately 20 feet above normal river depth.

Discussion held regarding possible action on Resolution No. 2019-15, a Resolution declaring an emergency for the City of Coweta. City/Trust Manager stated that the community is in a state of emergency and this resolution allows the City/Trust to bypass the state competitive bidding act and allows staff to make the necessary repairs. He also strongly encouraged everyone to conserve water. Other information given included the Red Cross Shelter being held at the Coweta Intermediate High School and if someone needing shelter has a dog or cat, the Coweta Animal Shelter will care for it during their stay at the shelter.

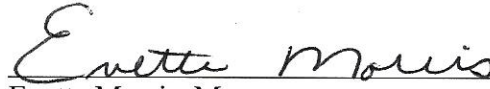
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Motion by Randy Woodward, second by Harold Chance, approving Resolution No. 2019-15, a Resolution declaring an emergency for the City of Coweta.

Aye: Randy Woodward  
Logan Brown  
Naomi Hogue  
Harold Chance  
Evette Morris

IV. ADJOURNMENT

Mayor/Chairman adjourned all meetings at 8:32 p.m. with lunch to follow.

  
Evette Morris, Mayor

  
Brittany Long, City Clerk



  
Evette Morris, PWA Chairman

  
Brittany Long, PWA Trust Secretary

