

the Holland family to the Sheriff's Office the night that it happened. Stormy Vaughn said that Tiffany Harendt is going a great job trapping and that she needs to stay away from the Holland's home. Mrs. Fletcher spoke of fixing the problem in a meeting and changing the guidelines and for all to work together as a community. Stormy Vaughn said that she is doing a good job making sure rabies shots are current. Mrs. Holland said this is her official written complaint. Tiffany Kay Sullivan asked what is happening with the cats. Teresa Ballard answered that the feral cats are disposed of and that if they are ear notched and given shots they are released. Mayor Gohman said that moving forward this will be worked on in the near future.

Teresa Ballard reported that the Economic Development Board approved Zach's BBQ store front grant for a fence. He will be cooking for donations this weekend.

The city is weed eating and mowing the cemetery. Spraying is up and weeds will be sprayed next month. Ron Cooper asked if the prisoners could be used again. Ricky Royall replied that maybe in June they could.

There were zero building permits issued for January. There were two portable buildings, one house, three fences, and one carport permit approved for February.

There were six fowl permits, with five approved and one special use approved for January. There were 16 livestock permits approved for January. For February there were four fowl permits, with one approved and three special use approved. Also in February there were five livestock permits, one approved and four special use approved.

Mayor Gohman proposed to move agenda items 7 - 13 to make good use of Financial Advisor Everett Bedford's time. He said that software has been researched, costing \$24,000 up front with \$15,000 yearly. The city is unable to maintain yearly. The city is going to work with the software already in place and possibly move to one checking account. Ron Cooper made the motion to approve agenda items 7 - 13, minutes and financials, with Stormy Vaughn seconding. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Ron Cooper made the motion to approve a special use fowl permit for Colin Pope. Gwen Dyess seconded the motion and the motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Discussion was held considering the cost of the monthly Curbside and Convenience Center. Cost and expenses data was tabled. Stormy Vaughn will call Republic Services and report back to the council.

Stormy Vaughn made the motion to authorize the City Secretary to declare records beyond the required retention

period to be destroyed in compliance with the Texas State Library and Archives Commission and the Local Government Records Act. She was seconded by Santiago Rodriguez and the motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Ricky Royall went over bids for tree trimming at the cemetery. After discussion, Kinley Pritchard made the motion to approve the bid from Tree Express for one day for \$3300 to get as much as they can done. Santiago Rodriguez seconded the motion and the motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Signing from all entities deeded to the City of Bronte tax deed parcel 6480 is complete. Document from Coke County is all that is needed. No action taken, update only.

There is no update at this time regarding property to be added to Fairview Cemetery.

The council took a break at 7:29 pm. Mayor Gohman reconvened the council meeting back in session at 7:39 pm.

Gwen Dyess discussed with the council some changes to the Cargo Shipping and Sea Container Ordinance. Teresa Ballard will make the changes as discussed. The item is tabled until the April meeting.

Stormy Vaughn made the motion to approve fiscal year ending September 30, 2020, audit by Eckert CPA and was seconded by Santiago Rodriguez. The motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

Stormy Vaughn made the motion to authorize signatures on TxCDBG Project #7220059, Civil Rights Resolution, and Code of Conduct Policy (19/20/21). She was seconded by Gwen Dyess and the motion passed with a vote of 5 - 0.

The Mayor reported how close the city came to losing water during the storm and that above ground storage needs to be worked on.

Utility Director Ricky Royall

reported that there were several leaks during the storm and a pump and motor was lost. He is sending them both in for repairs. Stormy Vaughn asked about Robert Lee water issues. Robert Lee was pumping all that they could during the storm and had to have a boil mandate in the rural areas.

City Secretary Teresa Ballard reported that cyber training needs to be done in June.

The benefits of Texas beef

By Julie Tomascik

A cow here. A cow there. Cows everywhere!

That's because Texas is the top beef-producing state in the nation, and raising cattle is the largest part of Texas agriculture.

And that means tasty, flavorful beef in all forms on your table.

The ways ranchers raise cattle in the Lone Star State are as diverse as Texas itself. Grass-fed, grain-fed, cow-calf, stocker, purebred operations - all play a unique role in providing a safe, nutritious product for niche and mainstream consumer markets.

A priority shared by all Texas cattlemen and women, however, is providing proper care to raise livestock.

Part of that responsibility is treating animals when they get sick.

Responsible antibiotic use on the farm and ranch is a safe, and needed, practice. It's case-specific. Ranchers consult their veterinarian and work quickly to administer treatment, so a disease doesn't spread and put all livestock at risk.

Ranchers also have training programs, like the Beef Quality Assurance program, that help them better understand animal care and handling practices.

Raising cattle with those principles leads to quality beef.

Enjoy a lip-smacking-good meal of steak or roast? How about a juicy hamburger? You can't have the real thing without cattle.

And what about cheese, butter, a cold glass of milk? Or ice cream on a hot summer day? You need of

Santiago Rodriguez requested to buy a batwing shredder and repairs to a building in the water plant roof.

Gwen Dyess reported that the streetlights are going to be replaced with LED as they go out. It would be too expensive to replace them all at the same time.

There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 8:44 pm.

Bessie around for that.

Cattle also bring in more than \$13 billion annually to the Texas economy. Now that's a lot of moola!

But there's more.

Cattle provide insulin and other valuable medicines. Their fats and fatty acids are used to make deodorant, lotions, cement, chalk and candles.

Plastics, lamination, wallpaper, adhesives and more are made from hooves and horns.

Cattle hair is used for air filters, brushes, insulation and felt. Bones are used for charcoal, fertilizer and glass. Their internal organs are even used to make instrument strings, tennis racket strings, vitamins and more!

Byproducts of the hide include medicines, leather, gelatin, flavorings and adhesives.

And if you're concerned about the impact of cattle on the environment? Don't be. Cattle only count for about 3% of greenhouse gas emissions. In fact, the staggering majority of greenhouse gases are due to transportation and electricity production.

Cattle are also the ultimate recyclers. They eat the byproducts of ethanol in your car, the cotton t-shirt you wear and even the beer in your glass. Without cattle, hundreds of thousands of pounds of byproducts would end up as waste in landfills. Instead, cattle can convert them into tasty protein.

They even upcycle land that is unsuitable for human food consumption and sequester carbon while doing so.

Eating beef, and all meat, is a choice - free of climate guilt.

And celebrate National Beef Month with us by enjoying your favorite beef dish.

8 tips for summer savings

Just as you can cut back on driving to save fuel, you also can limit the amount of electricity you use at home by cutting excess. Here are eight ways to reduce your energy consumption this summer.

Replace your old manual thermostat with a programmable model. New thermostats have automatic settings that can change indoor temperatures at strategic times of the day. If you come and go on a regular basis, you can program your thermostat to raise the temperature when you're not home and lower the temperature again just before you return.

Schedule a tuneup for your air conditioning system. A licensed technician will check the refrigerant level and determine whether any parts are wearing out or running inefficiently. A well-maintained system will operate more efficiently.

Close the blinds when direct sunlight hits your windows. The less sun that shines into your home, the cooler it will remain, saving your air conditioning system from working harder.

Run your dishwasher, washing machine and clothes dryer after dark. Most people run these appliances during the day, so demand for electricity soars. Doing chores, particularly ones that produce heat, at night helps lower your electric cooperative's overall peak use, which helps keep costs low for everyone.

Better yet, air-dry your laundry. Hang clothes outside on a clothesline when the weather is nice.

Turn off lights and unplug computers, TVs and phone chargers when not in use. Don't waste electricity by allowing your appliances to use power when they shouldn't.

Replace incandescent lightbulbs with LEDs, which use less energy, last longer and emit less heat.

Shop smart. If you're replacing any of your home's appliances this summer, choose Energy Star-rated models. They're guaranteed to be more energy efficient than appliances that don't qualify for the label.

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*Gray w/Black Cloth Seats! Removeable Hard Top! #7262N
Bluetooth! 102K Miles!*

2016 Ford F-150 XL 4x2 \$28,900

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Locks & Windows! Crew Cab! 94K Miles!*

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