COLDWATER CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL MEETING
Monday, September 21, 2026 at 5:00 p.m.

The governing body of the City of Coldwater met in special session for the purpose of code enforcement, with the following present: Mayor Paul Alvarez, Council members Makenzie Dunn, Gary Haulmark, Leasa Huck and Sam Oller, and City Clerk Kristal Sherman.

Mayor Alvarez called the meeting to order and told the council the title of code enforcement officer is appointed every year with the title of code enforcement/public officer and in the code book, the position is referred to as "public officer" so since Chris Mills was appointed as the permanent code enforcement officer at the September 14th meeting, he needs to be named as the public officer as well to make his position legal. Sam made a motion to appoint Chris Mills as public officer as well as code enforcement officer, seconded by Gary and everyone voted Yes. Makenzie made a motion to appoint Chris Mills as animal control officer, seconded by Sam and everyone voted Yes. The council then discussed Chris's pay and after discussion, Gary made a motion to do away with the $20.00 per week stipend he was previously being paid and raise his hourly wage by $1.00 to $17.50 per hour, seconded by Leasa and everyone voted Yes.

Mayor Alvarez gave an update on the rodent infestation problem at 138 E. Main (the former BYO building), two business owners have signed a complaint with the City and now that Chris has been appointed the public officer and can ask the Underwood's if he can do an inspection of the property, they can either let him look or not. He said he contacted the county health officer today and he didn't want to pursue it. If the owners decide not to clean out the building themselves, it will be a long process.

With no further business presented, Gary made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:30 p.m., seconded by Sam and all voted Yes.