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After debating concealed-carry plans, all other items on the agenda at Monday night's city commission meeting were approved with ease.

Guy Rice from 1101 S. Clay presented his concern during items from citizens.



He said that at his present home, there are no stop signs located at the Clay and Harold intersection.

“Right now, there are stop signs facing Harold Boulevard facing east and west. There’s no stop signs going north and south on Clay,” he said.

Rice noted that drivers speed through the area right there.

“Nothing slows them down till Clay and Pine,” he said. “Seems like every weekend, it’s getting

worse and worse.”

Rice then asked what the procedure was, what he needed to do to get some stop signs out there. He said that he wasn't there for the school zones because at that time, people are required to not go over 20 mph anyway, and he added that people go more than 40 or 60 regularly.

“I'm asking for stop signs for after school and weekends,” Rice continued. “I'm concerned. I have grandkids.”

Commissioner Joe Denoyer said that there had been a similar situation a couple of years ago at 11th and Calhoun.

Vice mayor Janet Willimon then thanked Rice for coming forth to the commission and said that it's in good hands.

Next, the reclassification of delinquent accounts receivable and utility accounts over 120 days past due in amount of \$33,409 passed with a motion of 5-0.

The Fiscal Year 2013 Transfers passed 5-0.

The water department equipment request also passed 5-0.

Kyle Brewer was appointed for a three-year term effective Jan. 1, 2014, to the Joint Economic Development Council.

The police department requested the purchase of 24 gas masks in the amount of \$4,488.

According to chief of police Al Sill, the police department has a credit of \$2,128 that was obtained with OMB Guns. The credit was achieved by turning in confiscated firearms.

The department requested to purchase the masks from OMB Guns. After the credit is utilized, \$2,360 of the purchase price will need to be taken from budgeted funds, Sill said.

Sill also noted that the Liberal Police Department has been awarded the Nighttime Seatbelt Enforcement Grant.

He said that these funds in the amount of \$5,481 will be used to finance overtime hours during the Seatbelt Enforcement campaigns that are scheduled for this year and will be available until Sept. 30, 2014.

The purchase of the masks and the acceptance of the Nighttime Seatbelt Enforcement Grant was approved 5-0.

And the E-Citation Project in the amount of \$85,314 for 15 units, with private donations and federal drug tax monies and forfeited funds at a total of \$65,486 leaving a shortage of \$19,827.

Motion for the E-Citation Project passed 5-0.

City clerk Debbie Giskie then acknowledged the establishment of Friends of Arkalon Park, Inc.