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Special-called meeting held swears in members

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Last week's special-called city council meeting - due to unforeseen circumstances - didn't produce all the results council members hoped.

Two council members were absent - one with a sick child, the other due to illness. Mayor Connie Vaughan had to cancel at the last minute because his son-in-law was in a car wreck.

So while the council was able to canvass votes from the May election and City Secretary swore in newly elected Mayor A.W. Hines and council members Pam Frederick and Rodger Johnson that left the meeting without a quorum.

Once Hines was sworn in, he was no longer a councilmember, reducing the members to two - when it takes three to constitute a quorum.

"Monday was a rather unusual council meeting," said



Council members, from left, council woman Pam Frederick, Mayor A.W. Hines, and councilman Rodger Johnson accept the first restitution payment made by former city secretary Patty Cooper with a cashier's check for \$65,500. The check was picked up at Region's Bank -- where a hold was placed on Cooper's CD by Judge Kerry Russell as part of Cooper pleading guilty to stealing from the City of Bullard.

City Manager Larry Morgan. "Only once to my knowledge - since I've been in Bullard -- has there not been a quorum."

"Unfortunately circumstances beyond anyone's control left us in a tight spot." That will be rectified, he

said, at the next regular meeting, set for June 12.

At that meeting, the council is expected to pick up where it left off last week.

Because Hines didn't resign his council seat when he ran for mayor, the council will discuss and possibly act on the appointment of someone to fill his vacant seat.

Also, Hines' former position of Mayor Pro-Tem will likely be filled by one of the existing council members.

"I've stated from the beginning that even though I could submit my choice as Mayor Pro-Tem, I would rather let the council make that decision," Hines said. "It shouldn't be about who I would choose; it should be who they believe best suits that position."

The Mayor Pro-Tem's job - in a council - is to act as mayor in his absence and assume any duties when the mayor is unavailable to do so.

Grads

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indicated they could hold a special summer ceremony for the students.

At Friday's ceremony, Bullard Superintendent Jim Wright welcomed the graduates and their families giving credit not just to the students for their achievements.

"I'm proud of the class, the students, the parents, the administrators and the community," he said. "It takes everyone's effort to keep Bullard a quality place of learning."

Wright asked graduates to look at this as an opportunity - a beginning, and not an ending.

"You have a chance to become great leaders and continue the legacy set before you."

Valedictorian Courtney Sebring took students through a journey of memories - from elementary to graduation.

But she cautioned them that this, too, is only the beginning.

"The real test begins tonight," she said. "We've left our mark on Bullard, now it's time to make our mark on the world."

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- Robbie Barkley** Louisiana State University Academic
- Samantha Bell** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Weston Boyd** United Daughters of the Confederacy - Mollie Moore Davis Chapter
- Cameron Clark** TJC Top Ten
- Shelene Cline** Cherokee County Electric Co-op
- Britney Cottingham** TJC Top 10 percent
- Kaela Dotson** Athletic Leadership Scholarship Bullard Athletic Booster Club
- Tara Fleet** Southwestern University Academic
- Justin Hill** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Justin Hill** ATPE
- Justin Hill** Sport Tyler-East Texas Football Kickoff
- Justin Hill** Stephen F. Austin Academic
- Justin Hill** Austin College Academic
- Justin Hill** Jack Studdard Memorial
- Justin Hill** Lynn Kirtz Memorial
- Justin Hill** Kaela Dotson
- Justin Hill** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Justin Hill** Higher Education Early Graduation
- Justin Hill** Lon Morris Athletic
- Justin Hill** Bullard Athletic Booster Club
- Justin Hill** Taylor Fountain
- Justin Hill** Blinn College Livestock Judging Coffeyville Community College
- Justin Hill** Audrey Owens Memorial Scholarship
- Justin Hill** Bullard FFA Booster Club
- Justin Hill** Natalie Gray
- Justin Hill** TJC Top 10 percent
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- Justin Hill** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Justin Hill** Savannah Herrington
- Justin Hill** TJC Top 10 percent
- Justin Hill** Smith County Jr. Livestock

- East Texas Cattle-ettes
- Audrey Owens Memorial
- FFA Booster Club
- Justin Hollie** East Texas Baptist University Athletic
- Jeremy Johnson** Career Colleges and Schools of Texas ITT Technical Institute
- Wesley Johnson** Kelly-Springfield USWA
- Jeremy Jones** Texas State Tech College (CAT)
- Reagan Kelly** Bullard Athletic Booster Club
- Reagan Kelly** Sewanee University Athletic
- Reagan Kelly** Navarro Junior College Athletic
- Reagan Kelly** University of Redlands Athletic
- Reagan Kelly** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Reagan Kelly** University of Houston Academic
- Reagan Kelly** Blinn College Livestock Judging
- Reagan Kelly** Coffeyville Community College
- Reagan Kelly** Bullard FFA Booster Club
- Reagan Kelly** Kiwanis Outstanding AG Student
- Reagan Kelly** San Antonio Livestock Show
- Reagan Kelly** Ananda Kuchinsky
- Reagan Kelly** TJC Top 10 percent
- Reagan Kelly** TCU Dean's Scholarship
- Reagan Kelly** Texas State Terry Foundation
- Reagan Kelly** Texas State Lone Star
- Reagan Kelly** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Reagan Kelly** Bullard Order of the Eastern Star
- Reagan Kelly** Cecil D. Harper Memorial
- Reagan Kelly** Justin McConnell
- Reagan Kelly** Army College Fund
- Reagan Kelly** Makenzie Moore
- Reagan Kelly** TJC Top 10 percent
- Reagan Kelly** Dallas Baptist University Academic
- Reagan Kelly** TCU Faculty Scholarship
- Reagan Kelly** Hardin-Simmons Academic
- Reagan Kelly** Southwestern Ruter Scholar
- Reagan Kelly** Jeremy Morgan
- Reagan Kelly** East Texas Community Foundation
- Reagan Kelly** Noreen Nartia
- Reagan Kelly** Higher Education Early Graduation
- Reagan Kelly** Jessie Parker
- Reagan Kelly** TJC Top 10 percent
- Reagan Kelly** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Reagan Kelly** ATPE
- Reagan Kelly** Juan Pineda
- Reagan Kelly** College Assistance Fund

- Ashley Propes** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Ashley Propes** Lynn Kirtz Memorial
- Ashley Propes** Kiwanis Graduating Senior
- Ashley Propes** Sophomores of the Year
- Ashley Propes** Elizabeth Rosebury
- Ashley Propes** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Ashley Propes** Peach Tree/Oakhurst LGA
- Ashley Propes** TJC Golf
- Ashley Propes** Steven Roy
- Ashley Propes** O.L. and Hattie Ferrell Memorial
- Ashley Propes** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Ashley Propes** Emanuel Saavedra
- Ashley Propes** TJC Top 10 percent
- Ashley Propes** Dana College Athletic Scholarship
- Ashley Propes** OU Sooner Heritage
- Ashley Propes** East Texas Communities Foundation
- Ashley Propes** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Ashley Propes** Josh Sackett

- TJC Top 10 percent
- Courtney Sebring** TJC Top 10 percent
- Courtney Sebring** Cherokee County Co-op
- Courtney Sebring** Texas A&M Valedictorian
- Courtney Sebring** Emerald Bay Foundation
- Courtney Sebring** Bonnie Beall Math Award
- Courtney Sebring** Hailey Thompson
- Courtney Sebring** Higher Education Early Graduation
- Courtney Sebring** Melissa Smith
- Courtney Sebring** TJC Apache Band
- Courtney Sebring** Nate Wallace
- Courtney Sebring** Twin Oakes Nursing Home
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