

APRIL 17, 2007

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

1. 5:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Philip B. Harrison called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Rev. Warren Scott led all in prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

Present to-wit: Mayor Philip B. Harrison, Aldermen James A. "Jim" Bishop, Wayne Browning, Monte Richardson, Alderwomen Margaret Kistler and Carol Courville; thereby a quorum was established. Also present were City Attorney Charley Smith, City Administrator Lynn S. Roberts and City Secretary Betty Hollon.

4. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Bishop to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderwoman Courville and seconded by Alderman Browning to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of March 20, 2007. Motion carried unanimously.

6. CITIZEN'S FORUM

Carolyn Gibson of the Bellville EDC read the second of two separate readings of a resolution regarding an application for a grant from Mr. Gerry Williams. Ms. Gibson stated the details of the Bellville Heritage Gathering on May 5<sup>th</sup> were being finalized & she also mentioned the local shops around the square will be staying open late on the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays of the month and there would be live entertainment for the public to enjoy.

Yulonda Turner addressed Council regarding street signs.

Faye Kemper commented to Council regarding the low dips at the cross-sections on Highway 36, old unoccupied homes, and asked if the Police Dept. was doing anything about the drug activity in the City.

Dempsey Averitt spoke to Council regarding skateboarding and would like to see an area in the City designated for skating/skateboarding.

7. REPORT OR REQUEST(S) FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL MEMBERS/ CITY ATTORNEY

Alderman Browning commented on the appearance of the City and Mayor Harrison presented a proclamation to Rev. Warren Scott of the Historic Allen African Methodist Episcopal Church honoring their 120<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

8. REPORT OR REQUEST(S) FROM ADMINISTRATOR/DEPARTMENT HEADS

Administrator Roberts reported Clark Park is progressing and will be getting an old, historic trestle bridge. Administrator Roberts also informed Council on a meeting she attended at the Courthouse regarding the CTY telephone system which would be very beneficial in the event of an emergency.

9. CONSIDERATION OF COLORADO VALLEY TRANSIT AGREEMENT FOR TRANSPORTATION SERVICE PRESENTED BY VASTENE OLIER AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Ms. Vastene Olier presented Council with the final "Exhibit A" to complete the Colorado Valley Transit Agreement. Attorney Smith acknowledged the Agreement was satisfactory as presented. The motion was made by Alderwoman Courville and seconded by Alderman Browning to accept the Colorado Valley Transit Agreement and to also provide a Letter of Commitment from the City to the Colorado Valley Transit to support future expansion of the transit. Motion carried unanimously.

Ms. Olier also asked for the City's help to install 23 signs. The signs and poles would be provided by Colorado Valley Transit.

10. CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF 2005-2006 ANNUAL AUDIT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderwoman Kistler and seconded by Alderman Richardson to accept the 2005-2006 annual audit as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDERATION TO AWARD BID FOR WATER/SEWER PIPE AND FITTINGS FOR CLARK PARK AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Alderman Richardson made the motion to accept the low bid of \$34,071.94 from HD Supply Waterworks for water/sewer pipe and fittings for Clark Park and Alderman Bishop seconded the motion. Motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE SENS CENTER BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderwoman Courville and seconded by Alderwoman Kistler to appoint Jim Grounds, Joyce Grebe, Elizabeth Remmert, and Ruby Koehn to the Sens Activity Board for a term of two years commencing April 17, 2007 and ending April 16, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

13. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE BELLVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Richardson and seconded by Alderman Browning to confirm the Mayor's appointment of Hattie Browning, Delfina Sanchez, and Cerise Perez to the Bellville Housing Authority Board for a two year term commencing April 17, 2007 and ending April 16, 2009. Motion carried unanimously.

14. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Richardson to reappoint Delwin Rettig and David Henske to the Building Standards Commission for a one-year term. Motion carried unanimously.

15. CONSIDERATION OF BID RECEIVED BY AUSTIN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT REGARDING PROPERTY IDENTIFIED AS R03756, HOME IMPROVEMENT CLUB, LOT 9 AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Bishop to accept the \$7,000 bid on Property R03756. Motion carried unanimously.

16. DISCUSSION TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF ABATEMENT FROM BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION ON PROPERTY 2007-02 AND 2007-03 AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderwoman Kistler and seconded by Alderwoman Courville to recommend abatement on Properties 2007-02 and 2007-03 as recommended by the Building Standards Commission. Motion carried unanimously.

17. DISCUSSION REGARDING EXTENDING STREET LIGHTS TO EXTENDED CITY LIMITS BY SAN BERNARD ELECTRIC AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

After Council discussion, it was decided that the Electric Dept. hang our lights on San Bernard pole 28403 (Hwy. 159 West) and pole #28421 (Hwy. 36 North).

18. CONSIDERATION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN COUNTY AND CITY FOR COMMON POLLING PLACE ON ELECTION DAY AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderwoman Courville to accept the Interlocal Agreement for election day between the City of Bellville and the County for the common polling place (Sens Center). Motion carried unanimously.

19. OPEN SESSION RECESSED

Open session recessed at 6:21 p.m.

20. EXECUTIVE SESSION CONVENED UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION

Executive session convened at 6:25 p.m.

21. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED

Executive session adjourned at 6:41 p.m.

22. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

Open session reconvened at 6:45 p.m.

23. CONSIDERATION OF PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

No action taken.

24. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Bishop and seconded by Alderman Browning to adjourn at 6:46 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.