

June 21, 2005

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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

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

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Browning led all in the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

3. 3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Present to-wit: Mayor Philip B. Harrison, Aldermen Jerome Peters, Jim Bishop, Monte D. Richardson, Wayne Browning and Alderwoman Carol H. Courville; thereby a quorum was established. Also present were City Administrator Lynn S. Roberts, City Attorney Charley Smith and City Secretary Susan Rosinski.

4. 4. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

A motion was made by Alderman Browning to adopt the agenda as presented. Alderman Richardson interjected that agenda item number fifteen needed to follow agenda item number eight and agenda item number fourteen be deleted, as it was not necessary at this time. Alderman Browning then seconded this motion. Motion carried unanimously.

5. 5. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Alderman Browning, seconded by Alderwoman Courville to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 17, 2005. Motion carried unanimously.

6. 6. CITIZEN'S FORUM

Newton Boriack, Don Lawrence, Ken Peters and Alex Wellborn of the Bellville Lions Club presented a check in the amount of \$10,000.00 to Mayor Harrison for Clark Park.

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

Mayor Harrison informed Council a representative of Habitat for Humanity had contacted him as they were in need of an office and storage space. Mayor suggested use of the old police department building located at 17 W. Main Street. It was also mentioned there was nothing operable in the building. This item will be placed on the next meeting agenda.

Alderman Bishop mentioned he had observed work on one of the lift stations and commended the contractors, Mercer Construction on a job well done. Alderman Bishop presented a sign he had had made and suggested signs be installed on the City's lift stations, gas pressure stations, etc for identification. Signs will also include an emergency number. The costs of the signs are approximately \$30.00 each.

Alderman Peters mentioned the State statutes have two different codes one for manufactured housing and one for industrialized housing. He added changes needed to be made to the Mobile Home ordinance by putting it in line with the manufactured housing statute. He also mentioned that the Technical Summary for subdivisions needed to be revamped, as it does not meet the statute for industrialized housing. These two items will be placed on the next agenda.

Attorney Smith reported he had hopes of presenting a draft of the Minimum Housing Standard ordinance but he was in need of discussing an aspect of the ordinance with the District Court.

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

Administrator Roberts reported we had received the biologist report on Clark Park and it was mentioned that there is a possible finding of the Houston Toad on the site. She added the archeologist has completed his report and it has been forwarded to the Historical Commission.

**Superintendents Hoppe, Klump, Kendrick, Robertson and Head Librarian Kathryn King appeared before Council and gave an update on the following topics:**

Curb and gutter in Bell Oaks, rental of a motor grader, summer sports programs, Sens Center air conditioning, new water tower, lift station on Lee Lane, boring on N. Front Street, utilities for Courts of

Bellville, a violation (rust on a relief valve) was reported during the gas audit by the Railroad Commission, a walk-thru inspection of lift stations with Mercer and Craig Kankel, completion of the fence on Lee Lane lift station and the summer reading program.

Administrator Roberts informed Council revenue and expense line items have been added in the books for Clark Park.

9. 9. CONSIDERATION TO AMEND SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE IN REFERENCE TO SIGNATURES ON FINAL PLATS AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

A motion was made by Alderman Browning, seconded by Alderwoman Courville to amend the signatory section of the Subdivision Ordinance to include only the Mayor's and City Secretary's signature. A short discussion was held. The above motion was withdrawn. The consensus of Council was to leave the signatures as presented in the Subdivision ordinance as is; therefore no action was taken.

10. 10. DISCUSSION OF CURRENT SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Alderman Bishop stated he was concerned about the amount of trees that were cut down in the Courts of Bellville Subdivision and asked Council to take this issue into consideration under the Subdivision Ordinance.

Mayor Harrison appointed a committee composed of Alderman Bishop, Alderwoman Courville and Attorney Smith to study the tree issue and give a report at the next Council meeting. No action was taken.

11. 11. CONSIDERATION TO ACCEPT RESIGNATION OF HEALTH OFFICER, APPOINTMENT OF NEW HEALTH OFFICER AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

A motion was made by Alderman Browning, seconded by Alderman Richardson to accept the resignation of Dr. Christophe Gay as Health Officer and appoint Dr. Winston Neely. Motion carried unanimously. Dr. Neely's term as Health Officer will be from June 21, 2005 – June 20, 2007.

12. 12. CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR SENS CENTER AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Administrator Roberts requested a budget amendment in the amount of \$5,800.00 for the repair and removal of the air conditioning system at the Sens Center. A motion was made by Alderman Richardson and then

seconded by Alderman Browning to amend the budget in the amount requested. Motion carried unanimously. Cost included removal of the system through the roof.

13. 13. DISCUSSION REGARDING RETREAT FOR COUNCIL AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Alderwoman Courville presented dates and meeting places for a retreat type workshop for Council. A short discussion was held. A motion was made by Alderman Bishop, seconded by Alderwoman Courville for the retreat be held on Saturday, July 16, 2005 at the Sens Activity Center. The motion was then amended by Alderman Bishop to change the location to the First National Bank Civic Center and to include lunch. Alderwoman Courville then seconded this motion. Motion carried unanimously. Administrator Roberts asked that City Secretary Susan Rosinski be excused due to a prior commitment. Alderman Richardson will also not be present.

14 CONSIDERATION TO ENTER INTO AGREEMENT WITH AUSTIN COUNTY TO  
ADMINISTER PLANNING OF 5.00 ACRE SUBDIVISION IN EXTRA TERRITORIAL  
JURISDICTION (ETJ) AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY – JUDGE BILSKI

This item was passed over.

15. CONSIDERATION OF LINE EXTENSION TO YOUNG LIFE/BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB  
AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

A letter had been previously mailed to Council asking for the city to provide the utilities (water main, fire line extension and fire hydrant) to the property that will house Young Life and the Boys & Girls Club (both non-profit organizations) located on S. Tesch Street. After much discussion, a motion was made by Alderman Richardson to provide Young Life and the Boys and Girls Club with \$2,000.00 worth of materials and time (labor) to install the fire plug and the remainder of the items be provided by Young Life and the Boys and Girls Club. Attorney Smith asked for clarification. The motion was then changed by Alderman Richardson to establish a charge for the line extension in the amount of \$10,000.00 to Young Life and the Boys and Girls Club. The motion also included when feasible the property be annexed into the Bellville city limits. Alderman Bishop then seconded the motion. Mayor Harrison called for a vote. Alderman Peters, Bishop and Richardson along with Alderwoman Courville voted aye. Alderman Browning abstained. Motion carried.

During the discussion it was noted that a verbal agreement had been made prior to the installation of utilities to Kruse's Mobile Home Park. The verbal agreement was between Alderman Bishop (Mayor at the time),

Alderman Schmidt and Mr. Rodger Kruse. The verbal agreement consisted of the following: if anyone tied into the line placed at the location by the city and paid for by Rodger Kruse for Kruse Mobile Home Park then Mr. Kruse would then be entitled to some sort of re-imbusement for part of the line extension to his mobile home park. This item will appear on next month's agenda along with establishing a formula for line extension.

#### 16. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made by Alderman Browning to adjourn at 7:12 p.m.