

July 18, 2006

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

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

3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

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

4. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

A motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Kistler to adopt the agenda as presented. Discussion was held and Mayor Harrison mentioned the date of the regular meeting in June was in need of correction. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Bishop to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of June 20, 2006 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

6. CITIZEN'S FORUM

No one present wished to address Council.

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

No one had comments.

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

As Wastewater Superintendent Arlie Kendrick was unable to attend the meeting Administrator Roberts read an updated progress report on the wastewater project. Alderman Browning inquired as to when the patching of the trenches would begin. Street Superintendent Frankie Hoppe responded he is in hopes of starting towards the end of this week.

Administrator Roberts announced Alderman Kistler has completed the Open Meetings requirement. Roberts informed Council the City has an Open Meetings DVD available to view and all other members need to complete this State requirement by the end of the year.

Administrator Roberts informed Council due to the rising costs for the park (Clark) and its components the Parks Board will have to review and cut areas. Roberts added the ten components could not be cut but possibly the number of certain components.

Administrator Roberts informed Council the Bellville Economic Development Corporation has committed \$25,000.00 in matching funds for lighting on the square. Adm. Roberts added Carolyn Gibson of the BEDC is working with the County Judge and Houston-Galveston Area Council for funds. Roberts also added the

City has committed to the labor for the installation of the lighting. Alderman Bishop stated he would like to see the proposed lighting.

Administrator Roberts informed Council the budget would be ready by the end of the month and asked Council to consider August 1 and August 8 as possible budget workshops.

Adm. Roberts announced the City of Bellville Board Appreciation Dinner has been set for September 26, 2006.

9. **CONSIDERATION TO AWARD BID FOR USED MOTOR GRADER, AMEND BUDGET AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY**

A motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Richardson to award the bid for the used motor grader to R. B. Everett Co. in the amount of \$59,925.00 as long as components in need of repair are completed by the vendor with the exception of the tires. The motion also included an amendment to the street department budget in the amount of \$59,925.00. Motion carried unanimously.

10. **CONSIDERATION OF BUDGET AMENDMENT FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY**

Administrator Roberts as well as Chief Larry Matthews requested a transfer of funds within the Police Department budget for one police vehicle, a new server and related software for TLETS mandated changes. Administrator Roberts pointed out this was not an increase in the budget but a line item transfer. A motion was made by Alderman Richardson and seconded by Alderman Courville to approve the line item transfer of \$45,780.00 for one police vehicle, new server and related software. Motion carried unanimously.

The amount of \$45,780.00 will be transferred from Police Department Line Item 101.025.5.110.00 to Police Department Line Item 101.025.5.941.00.

11. **CONSIDERATION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR NARCOTICS TASK FORCE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY**

A motion was made by Alderman Courville and seconded by Alderman Browning to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

12. **DISCUSSION OF STREETS AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY**

A motion was made by Alderman Bishop to hold off on any work to the streets until a cost estimate is obtained from O'Malley Engineers for S. Masonic/E. Hacienda Streets and then take into consideration the remaining funds for streets. The motion was then seconded by Alderman Richardson.

Attorney Smith stated the item should be tabled. Alderman Bishop withdrew his motion.

This item will appear on the next agenda.

13. **CONSIDERATION OF ABANDONMENT OF ALLEY BY ST. MARY'S EPISCOPAL CHURCH PROPERTY ON NORTH MASONIC AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY**

A motion was made by Alderman Bishop to take the necessary legal steps to abandon the alley by St. Mary's Episcopal Church and convert the property to St. Mary's Episcopal Church. The motion was seconded by Alderman Browning. Motion carried unanimously. Said alley connects Granville and Masonic between State Highway 36 and Palm.

14. **OPEN SESSION RECESSED**

Open Session recessed at 6:16 p.m.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION CONVENED UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.071 PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION AND TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074 TO DELIBERATE THE EVALUATION OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE TO WIT THE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR

Executive Session convened at 6:22 p.m.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED

Executive Session adjourned at 6:52 p.m.

17. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

Open Session reconvened at 6:55 p.m.

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

No action taken.

19. CONSIDERATION OF THE EVALUATION OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE TO WIT THE CITY ATTORNEY AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Job descriptions will be put together for the City Attorney and City Administrator and this item will be placed on the next Regular Meeting agenda for discussion.

20. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Alderman Bishop and seconded by Alderman Browning to adjourn at 6:56 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.