

December 13, 2010

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

1. 5:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Monte Richardson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Browning led all in prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Present-to-wit: Mayor Monte Richardson, Aldermen Douglas Lottridge, Joe Ed Lynn, James Harrison and Wayne Browning; thereby a quorum was established. Alderman Anderson was absent. Also present were City Administrator Lynn S. Roberts, City Attorney Charley Smith and City Secretary Betty Hollon.

4. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT AGENDA

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Browning to adopt the agenda after reversing agenda items 9 and 10. Motion carried.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Lynn to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2010 Regular Meeting as presented. Mayor Richardson called for the vote. Alderman Browning abstained due to absence from the meeting. Motion carried.

6. CITIZEN'S FORUM *(Any public comment that is made on an item that is not on the posted final agenda will only be heard by the City Council. No formal action, discussion, deliberation, nor comment will be made by the Council.)*

No one present wished to address Council.

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

Alderman Browning requested a "ride around" through the town and commented on dogs and lines at stop signs. Alderman Lottridge commented on the littering problem in the City.

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

City Administrator Lynn S. Roberts reported general maintenance is continuing in the City. Police Chief Larry Matthews introduced new officer Cinttia Argueta to Council.

9. DISCUSSION REGARDING DEVELOPMENT OF PATIO HOME SUBDIVISION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Mr. Lance Abel, President of Mill Creek Custom Homes, addressed Council regarding his interest in developing a subdivision on Highway 36 North.

10. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON BEDC PURCHASE OF WELLS FARGO'S .490 ACRE PARKING LOT AT N. BELL STREET AND W. PALM STREET FOR THE AMOUNT OF \$32,000.00 PLUS CLOSING COSTS FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING ADDITIONAL PUBLIC PARKING FOR THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT

The motion was made by Alderman Lynn and seconded by Alderman Browning to approve the expenditure of \$32,000 by the Bellville Economic Development Corporation to be used in the purchase of .490 acre of land at the corner of N. Bell and E. Palm Street in the City of Bellville, from Wells Fargo Bank N.A., Corporate Properties Group with closing costs not to exceed \$1,500. Mayor Richardson called for the vote. The motion carried with 4 voting aye and 0 voting nay.

11. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Browning to adjourn at 5:46 p.m. Motion carried.