

FEBRUARY 19, 2019

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF BELLVILLE

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

Mayor Joe Ed Lynn called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Kistler led all in prayer and the Boy Scouts led all in Pledges of Allegiance.

3. CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Present-to-Wit: Mayor Joe Ed Lynn, Aldermen Douglas Lottridge, Clay Kistler and John Moore, Alderwomen Cassie Janish and Donna Jacob; thereby a quorum was established. Also present were City Administrator Shawn Jackson and City Secretary Betty Hollon; City Attorney Charley Smith arrived at 5:05 p.m.

4. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT AGENDA

The motion was made by Alderwoman Janish and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to adopt the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of February 19, 2019 after amending the wording on Agenda Item 11 from American Legion to Veteran's Memorial Park. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderwoman Janish to approve the Minutes of the Special Meeting of January 8, 2019 and the Regular Meeting of January 15, 2019 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

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 wished to address Council.

7. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MAYOR/ COUNCIL MEMBERS/CITY ATTORNEY (DISCUSSION IS LIMITED TO STATEMENTS OF POLICY OR STATEMENTS OF FACTUAL MATTERS, OR THE REQUEST THAT A MATTER BE PLACED ON THE NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA)

Alderwoman Jacob reported she had attended the Dutch Lunch at the Fire Department and thanked the volunteer firemen for their dedication to their community and Alderwoman Jacob mentioned the Classic Car Stampede will be on March 9th. Mayor Lynn reported a Town Hall Meeting would be held February 21st at 6:00 p.m. at San Bernard Electric.

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

City Administrator Shawn Jackson reported Spring Clean-up in the City of Bellville will be March 11th thru March 16th. Residents may take their items to the Recycling Center free of charge.

9. DISCUSSION REGARDING BELLVILLE HOSPITAL DISTRICT

Mr. Tony Causey of the Bellville Hospital Board reported CHI St. Joseph issued their termination notice on February 5, 2019 effective May 6th. There are approximately 85 employees at the Bellville Hospital and details will follow within the next two weeks regarding the future of the hospital. Due to negotiations currently in the process, Mr. Causey was limited to disclosing information.

10. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO PARKS BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Kistler and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to reappoint Jimmy Waller and appoint Craig Crawford and Larry McCarty to the Bellville Parks Board for a three-year term. Motion carried unanimously.

11. DISCUSSION OF VETERANS MEMORIAL PARK AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Mr. DeWitt Nehrkorn from the American Legion spoke regarding the expansion of the Veterans Memorial Garden and Display Area to the old swimming pool site at the City Park. City Attorney Charley Smith will draw up a contract for the lease of this property. No action taken.

12. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES FOR THE MAY 4, 2019 MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderwoman Janish and seconded by Alderman Kistler to appoint Judy Evans the Presiding Judge and Jamie Willingham the Alternate Presiding Judge for the May 4, 2019 General Municipal Election. Motion carried unanimously.

13. UPDATE REGARDING PARKING ORDINANCE

Police Chief Larry Matthews reported to Council 55 warnings have been issued and 5 letters for trailers on streets have been sent out. Overall, the public has been very supportive.

14. DISCUSSION REGARDING CITY OF BELLVILLE PERSONNEL POLICIES AND PROCEDURES MANUAL AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Moore to table this item. Motion carried unanimously.

15. OPEN SESSION RECESSED

Open Session recessed at 5:48 p.m.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION CONVENED UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION AND TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.072 DELIBERATION OF ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY AND TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074 TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DISCIPLINE OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE AND TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.087 TO DELIBERATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS

Executive Session convened at 5:52 p.m.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED

Executive Session adjourned at 6:20 p.m.

18. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

Open Session reconvened at 6:21 p.m.

19. CONSIDERATION OF PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION, DELIBERATION OF ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY, DELIBERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DISCIPLINE OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE, AND DELIBERATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT INCENTIVES AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

No action.

20. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderwoman Janish to adjourn at 6:21 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.