

September 19, 2017

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 Wayne Browning led all in prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.

3. CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Present-to-wit: Mayor Joe Ed Lynn, Aldermen Douglas Lottridge, Clay Kistler, Wayne Browning and John Moore; thereby a quorum was established. Alderman Harrison arrived at 5:11 p.m. Also present were City Administrator Shawn Jackson, City Attorney Charley Smith and City Secretary Betty Hollon.

4. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT AGENDA

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to adopt the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of September 19, 2017 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Kistler to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 15, 2017 and the Special Meeting of August 28, 2017 and the Special Meeting of September 7, 2017 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)

Mayor Joe Ed Lynn presented a proclamation to the Louisville Missionary Baptist Church recognizing their 124<sup>th</sup> anniversary. Alderman Kistler and Alderman Browning requested viewing of the employee suggestion cards. Alderman Moore suggested Council begin reviewing city ordinances at monthly council meetings.

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

City Administrator Shawn Jackson reported the City has been approved for CDBG Grant for water line replacements and announced Fall Cleanup will be the week of October 2<sup>nd</sup> – October 6<sup>th</sup>.

9. CONSIDERATION OF 2016-2017 BUDGET AMENDMENTS AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Moore to approve the 2016-2017 budget amendments as presented by City Administrator Shawn Jackson. Motion carried unanimously.

10. DISCUSSION REGARDING OUTSIDE CITY LIMIT UTILITY RATES AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Kistler and seconded by Alderman Moore to double outside city limit utility rates. Alderman Lottridge commented rates need reviewing and did not feel comfortable with a 100% increase without justification. Alderman Lottridge suggested additional discussion and review. Alderman Kistler withdrew his motion.

11. DISCUSSION REGARDING RETIREE MEDICAL INSURANCE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Discussion was held regarding eliminating/amending retiree medical health insurance. The motion was originally made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Moore to eliminate the retiree health insurance in a three-year phase out period. Mayor Lynn commented he did not wish to rush into making a quick uninformed decision again and wanted more discussion before action was taken. Alderman Browning amended his motion and Alderman Moore seconded his motion to further discuss this item in a special session within 30 days. Motion carried.

12. BUDGET HEARING

The Budget Hearing opened at 6:04 p.m. and closed at 6:10 p.m. No one from the public spoke.

13. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE 2017-2018 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to adopt the 2017-2018 Budget after amending the tax rate from the rollback rate to the same rate as last year of .2803. Mayor Lynn called for the vote. Voting in favor were Aldermen Lottridge, Kistler, Harrison, and Moore. Alderman Browning was opposed. Motion carried.

14. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE 2017 TAX RATE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Moore to adopt the 2017 tax rate of .2803 (same as last year). Motion carried unanimously.

15. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE 2017-2018 BELLVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BUDGET AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Moore to approve the 2017-2018 EDC Budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

16. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO BELLVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Kistler to appoint Reesa Ueckert to the Bellville Economic Development Corporation Board to fulfill the unexpired term of Bruce Harrison to expire December 16, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

17. CONSIDERATION FOR ABATEMENT OF PROPERTY 2017-01 AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to begin the abatement process on Property 2017-01. Motion carried unanimously.

18. CONSIDERATION FOR ABATEMENT OF PROPERTY 2017-02 AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to begin the abatement process on Property 2017-02. Motion carried unanimously.

19. CONSIDERATION FOR ABATEMENT OF PROPERTY ON FRONT STREET AUTHORIZING CITY ATTORNEY TO HANDLE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to abate property on Front Street. City Attorney Charley Smith will contact owners. Motion carried unanimously.

20. CONSIDERATION TO GRANT VARIANCE OF LOT WIDTH AND BUILDING LINE WIDTH UNDER SECTION 10.02.271 AND GRANT VARIANCE OF 10.02.031 DEFINING MINOR PLAT IN MEADOWS SUBDIVISION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Kistler and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to not grant the variance. Motion carried unanimously.

21. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR REPLAT OF RESERVE A OF BRIARWOOD SUB-SECTION 1 INTO FOUR SEPARATE LOTS IN WAIVING ALL OTHER TOPOGRAPHICAL AND PLAT REQUIREMENTS AND APPROVAL AS A MINOR PLAT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Moore and seconded by Alderman Browning to approve the application for replat of Reserve A of Briarwood Sub-Section 1 into four separate lots waiving all other topographical and plat requirements and approval as a minor plat. Alderman Kistler abstained from the vote. Motion carried.

22. OPEN SESSION RECESSED

Open Session recessed at 6:53 p.m.

23. EXECUTIVE SESSION CONVENED UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 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 6:55 p.m.

24. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED

Executive Session adjourned at 8:02 p.m.

25. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

Open Session reconvened at 8:03 p.m.

26. 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 NEGOTIATIONS AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

No action.

27. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Browning to adjourn at 8:03 p.m.