

JUNE 16, 2020

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF BELLVILLE

Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code allows a meeting to which the public does not have access in certain limited instances. The Council may consult with their attorney regarding pending or contemplated litigation. The Council may have a closed meeting to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property. An open session is not required to consider evaluation, discipline, or dismissal of an employee unless there is a specific complaint or charge against an officer or employee and the employee or officer wants an open session. The purpose of the agenda is to give notice to the public about the item that will be considered. If any item on the agenda falls within the exceptions to the open meeting law, the Council has the right to adjourn the open session and convene a closed meeting. However, no action may be taken in an executive session. The Council will reconvene in open session before taking any action on an agenda item.

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

Mayor James Harrison called the meeting to order at 5:30 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 James Harrison, Aldermen Clay Kistler, Garrett Dornon, Wayne Browning and Arlie Kendrick, Alderwoman Ashley Slater; thereby a quorum was established. Also present was 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 Dornon to adopt the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of June 16, 2020 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderman Dornon to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 19, 2020 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.)*

Pastor Johnson invited all to the June 19th celebration to be held at 10 a.m. Saturday, June 20th at the Courthouse.

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

City Administrator Shawn Jackson reported bids for S. Masonic project would be due in July and awarded in August and the City Website should be back up and running.

8. 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)

Alderman Dornon inquired on status of past due utility accounts related to COVID-19. Alderman Kistler asked for an update regarding Police Station and appreciated the cleaning behind the Beall's Store. Alderman Browning requested maintenance of trees in power lines. Mayor Harrison and Lieutenant Smalley presented Thank You Awards to Dustin and Alexander Rodgers for their assistance in cleaning the Stephen F. Austin statue.

9. **CONSENT AGENDA – ITEMS LISTED ARE OF ROUTINE NATURE AND MAY BE ACTED ON IN A SINGLE MOTION UNLESS REQUESTED OTHERWISE BY MEMBER OF COUNCIL**

- (A) CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF MATT DUNDREA TO BELLVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY
- (B) CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF SUZANNE ZASKODA TO LIBRARY BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY
- (C) CONSIDERATION OF AMENDING TRAFFIC ORDINANCE MAKING SOUTH MILLER A ONE-WAY STREET GOING NORTH TO SOUTH AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Dornon and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to approve (A) appointing Matt Dundrea to the Bellville Economic Development Corporation Board and (B) appointing Suzanne Zaskoda to the Bellville Library Board on the Consent Agenda and per Alderman Kistler's request move Item (C) to the Regular Agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

(C) CONSIDERATION OF AMENDING TRAFFIC ORDINANCE MAKING SOUTH MILLER A ONE-WAY STREET GOING NORTH TO SOUTH AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Chief Matthews recommended making South Miller a one-way street between E. Main and E. Luhn to help alleviate traffic problems near the bakery and to help with dumpster issues. Chief Matthews advised there would be a 90 day warning period to advise residents of the change. The motion was made by Alderman Kistler and seconded by Alderman Browning to approve the Amendment to Article 12.02.004 of the Traffic Ordinance making South Miller a one-way street from E. Main to E. Luhn. Motion carried unanimously.

10. REPORT FROM AIRPORT BOARD

Mr. Matt Riefkohl gave Council an update on the airport. He informed Council the courtesy car has been very beneficial. People are using it and therefore spending money in our town. The members have taken over mowing the property. No improvements have been made to the terminal building.

11. CONSIDERATION OF STRATEGIC GOALS FOR THE CITY OF BELLVILLE 2020-2021 YEAR FROM THE STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Mr. Ric Flores presented this item to Council. The committee has presented five projects and asked for approval to move forward. The motion was made by Alderman Dornon and seconded by Alderwoman Slater to approve the strategic goals from the Strategic Planning Committee for the 2020-2021 year. Motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDERATION/DISCUSSION OF AUTHORIZATION TO ISSUE REQUESTS FOR PROPOSALS (RFP'S) FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND REQUESTS FOR QUALIFICATIONS (RFQ'S) FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES RELATED TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT-MITIGATION (CDBG-MIT) GRANT PROGRAMS ADMINISTERED BY THE TEXAS GENERAL LAND OFFICE (GLO) AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Kistler and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to approve the authorization to apply for grant funds from the Community Development Block Grant-Mitigation programs administered by the Texas General Land Office. Motion carried unanimously.

13. CONSIDERATION OF APPLICATION FOR LICENSE FOR A RV PARK AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Dornon and seconded by Alderwoman Slater to approve the special use permit allowing the RV park at Highway 36 and CR 2429 contingent on owner requesting annexation. The RV park will have approximately 29 spaces and there will be a 17 day maximum stay. It will be a come-and-go RV park. Motion carried unanimously.

14. CONSIDERATION OF OFFER OF COMPROMISE ON REAL PROPERTY LIEN AT 248 W. AUSTIN AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

This item was moved to Executive Session.

OPEN SESSION RECESSED

Open Session recessed at 6:31 p.m.

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

Executive Session convened at 6:33 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED

Executive Session adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

Open Session reconvened at 6:46 p.m.

CONSIDERATION OF PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION, DELIBERATION OF
ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Dr. McFarland proposed to purchase the lien for the property located at 248 W. Austin for \$4,500. He would be given 6 months to raise the funds. Attorney Smith will draw up a contract. The motion was made by Alderman Dornon and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to approve this contract with the funds due on or before 6 months from the effective date of the contract. Motion carried unanimously.

15. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Wayne Browning and seconded by Alderman Arlie Kendrick to adjourn at 6:48 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.