

NOVEMBER 17, 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. 5:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor James Harrison 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 James Harrison, Aldermen Garrett Dornon, Wayne Browning, Arlie Kendrick, Clay Kistler, Alderwoman Ashley Slater: thereby a quorum was established. Also present were City Administrator Shawn Jackson, City Attorney Charley Smith and City Secretary Betty Hollon.

4. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT AGENDA

Mayor Harrison asked that Item 10 be removed from the Agenda. The motion was made by Alderman Kistler and seconded by Alderman Dornon to adopt the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2020 with Item 10 being removed. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderwoman Slater to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of October 20, 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.)

Mr. Ken Elliott spoke to Council regarding parking and speeding issues on S. Masonic.

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

City Administrator Shawn Jackson reported the Gas Dept. has finished replacing the main lines in Bell Oaks Subdivision, a couple of new internet companies are installing their equipment in town, restructuring will be on next month's agenda, and a review of current ordinances will begin per Council's request.

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 suggested the review of ordinances begin in January and Alderman Kistler commented on 18-wheelers parking on city streets. Alderman Kendrick inquired on when the City would receive new leased vehicles and the status of the Turnverein Project.

9. CONSIDERATION OF AIRPORT LEASE WHICH EXPIRES NOVEMBER 14, 2020 AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Kistler and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to extend the current airport lease for 30 days to expire December 16, 2020. Motion carried unanimously.

10. PRESENTATION BY RIC FLORES OF THE STRATEGIC PLANNING COMMITTEE TO PROVIDE COUNCIL WITH PROJECT UPDATES AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Per Mayor's request, this item was deleted from Agenda.

11. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT BETWEEN AUSTIN COUNTY AND CITY OF BELLVILLE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY (THIS IS NOW ITEM 10)

The motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderman Dornon to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement between Austin County and the City of Bellville as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDERATION OF VARIANCES NEEDED FOR NON-CONFORMING SUBDIVISION, SPECIFICALLY BUILDING SET BACK LINE FOR EXISTING STRUCTURES AND CONSIDERATION OF FINAL PLAT APPROVAL FOR ENGELKING SUBDIVISION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY (THIS IS NOW ITEM 11)

The motion was made by Alderman Dornon and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to approve the variance needed for non-conforming subdivision, specifically building set back line for existing structures and approval of final plat for Engelking Subdivision. Motion carried unanimously.

13. ADJOURNMENT (THIS IS NOW ITEM 12)

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to adjourn at 5:37 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.