

DECEMBER 15, 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, Alderwoman Ashley Slater; thereby a quorum was established. Alderman Kistler arrived at 5:30 p.m. Also present were City Attorney Charley Smith, City Administrator Shawn Jackson and City Secretary Betty Hollon.

4. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT AGENDA

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to adopt the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of December 15, 2020 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderman Dornon and seconded by Alderwoman Slater to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 17, 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.)

No one from the public wished to speak.

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

City Administrator Shawn Jackson announced the lease vehicles have arrived and several customers were accidentally mailed duplicate bills in November.

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)

Alderwoman Slater and Alderman Kendrick thanked the city staff for their work during Small Town Christmas. Alderman Browning commented on striping by stop signs and tree trimming. Alderman Dornon suggested a template be drafted by City Administrator for Council to conduct an Annual Review of the City Administrator possibly in May of each year and have the City Administrator draft a Council Self-Assessment template that Council and the City Administrator would each complete, reviewing operation/functionality/effectiveness of the Council possibly each May also, and Alderman Dornon suggested a survey regarding recycling be offered to citizens. Mayor Harrison thanked Alderwoman Slater for her work in making Small Town Christmas such a success.

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

(A) CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE BELLVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

(B) CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE BELLVILLE LIBRARY BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderwoman Slater and seconded by Alderman Dornon to approve (A) appointments of Paul Jones, Rhonda Dean, Daniel Bonk, Wade McGee, and Matt Dundrea to the Bellville Economic Development Corporation Board and (B) appointments of Joy Mueller, Suzanne Zaskoda, and Peter Szymanski to the Bellville Library Board. Motion carried unanimously.

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

Mr. Ric Flores gave Council an update of the Strategic Planning Process. COVID has impacted its progress.

11. DISCUSSION/APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION DESIGNATING AN ADMINISTRATION SERVICE PROVIDER FOR THE 2021-2022 TXCDBG COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND APPLICATION AND PROJECT IMPLEMENTATION ADMINISTERED BY THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Two proposals were submitted to the City of Bellville: GrantWorks and Langford Community Management Services. The motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderman Browning to appoint GrantWorks the Administrative Service Provider for the 2021-2022 TXCDBG Community Development Community Development Fund Project. Motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION FROM FIESER DEVELOPMENT, INC. PROPOSING THE REHABILITATION OF AFFORDABLE RENTAL HOUSING AT 20 SOUTH MECHANIC, NAMED PARK PLACE APARTMENTS, AND THE WAIVING OF DEVELOPMENT/PERMIT FEES AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Dornon and seconded by Alderwoman Slater to approve the resolution of support of the rehabilitation of Park Place Apartments at 20 S. Mechanic and to approve the waiving of development/permit fees in the amount of \$250.00. Motion carried unanimously.

13. DISCUSSION REGARDING REGULATON OF DRIVEWAY AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

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

14. DISCUSSION OF STOP SIGN AT W. O'BRYANT AND S. MASONIC AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderwoman Slater to have a stop sign placed at the intersection of S. Masonic and West O' Bryant to help alleviate speeding on S. Masonic. Motion carried unanimously.

15. CONSIDERATION OF AIRPORT LEASE WHICH EXPIRES DECEMBER 16, 2020 AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Dornon and seconded by Alderwoman Slater to authorize the Mayor to execute the airport lease as presented contingent upon the property owner's acceptance of the Letter of Agreement tendered to Ms. Hamilton. Motion carried unanimously.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to adjourn at 6:45 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.