

OCTOBER 19, 2021

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 Pro Tem Garrett Dornon 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 Pro Tem Garrett Dornon, Aldermen Clay Kistler, Wayne Browning, Arlie Kendrick, Alderwoman Ashley Slater; thereby a quorum was established. Also present were City Administrator Shawn Jackson, City Attorney Charley Smith and City Secretary Betty Hollon. Mayor Harrison arrived at 5:42 p.m.

4. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT AGENDA

The motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderman Browning to adopt the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of October 19, 2021 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The motion was made by Alderwoman Slater and seconded by Alderman Kistler to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of September 21, 2021 and the Special Meeting of September 28, 2021 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 speak.

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)

Alderman Kistler commented on drainage issue affecting Briarwood property owners from the new Ag Building, Alderman Kendrick inquired on noon whistle and Fall Clean-up and mentioned street maintenance needed on N. Matthews near E. Palm. Alderman Browning reported on Jefferson Cemetery meeting and May 3rd being City of Bellville Day. Alderman Browning also inquired on the courtesy car at the airport. Alderman Dornon congratulated the youth for a successful fair.

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

City Administrator Shawn Jackson reported water tanks will be cleaned in January, N. Sprain sewer line replacement has begun, airport lease has been signed, auditors to begin annual audit process, and City Hall generator expected to be delivered in November.

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 TO APPROVE 3RD QUARTER INVESTMENT REPORT

(B) CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF DIRECTOR TO SERVE ON AUSTIN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD

(C) CONSIDERATION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT

(D) CONSIDERATION OF FIREFIGHTING CONTRACT

(E) CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO BELLVILLE PARKS BOARD

(F) CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF PUBLIC HEALTH OFFICER

(G) CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO BELLVILLE EDC BOARD

The motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderwoman Slater to approve the 3rd Quarter Investment Report, to reappoint Alderman Clay Kister the Director to serve on the Austin County Appraisal District Board, to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement, to approve the Firefighting Contract, to approve the reappointments of Jimmy Waller, Craig Crawford, and Larry McCarty to the Parks Board, to reappoint Dr. Bosse the Public Health Officer, and to appoint Buckshot Wied to the Bellville EDC Board. Motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDERATION OF PROCESS FOR APPROVING VENDOR INVOICES AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Alderman Browning inquired on voided checks.

11. CONSIDERATION OF EDC BUDGET AMENDMENTS FOR FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2021 AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderwoman Slater to approve the fiscal year ending September 30, 2021 EDC budget amendments. Motion carried unanimously.

12. REPORT FROM AIRPORT BOARD

Mr. Matt Riefkohl gave a report regarding airport to Council.

13. REPORT FROM LIBRARY BOARD

Cowboy Szymanski gave a report regarding Library to Council.

14. REPORT FROM SENS CENTER BOARD

Ms. Sandra Gilbert gave a report regarding Sens Center to Council.

15. WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS AMENDMENTS TO EMPLOYEE PERSONNEL POLICIES MANUAL AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Chapter 4 of the Personnel Policies Manual was reviewed.

16. OPEN SESSION RECESSED

Open Session recessed at 6:29 p.m.

17. EXECUTIVE SESSION CONVENED UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.071 PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION

Executive Session convened at 6:31 p.m.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED

Executive Session adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

19. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

Open Session reconvened at 7:36 p.m.

20. CONSIDERATION OF PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION

No action.

21. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to adjourn at 7:37 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.