

CITY OF BELLVILLE

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

APRIL 18, 2023

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

Mayor Harrison led all in prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.

3. CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Present-to-wit: Mayor James Harrison, Council Members Garrett Dornon, Arlie Kendrick, Monte Richardson, Ashley Slater, and Betty Hollon; thereby a quorum was established. Also present was City Administrator Shawn Jackson, City Secretary Rachael Lynch, and City Attorney Luke Cochran.

4. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

The motion was made by Council Member Dornon and seconded by Council Member Hollon to approve the Agenda of the Regular Meeting of April 18, 2023, moving Agenda item # 12 up after Agenda item # 9. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Council Member Kendrick and seconded by Council Member Hollon to approve the minutes for the Regular Meeting of March 21, 2023, 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.*)

Yvonne & Robert Coffey have several concerns regarding dogs barking which has become a nuisance and concern about the number of animals. They are also concerned about the traffic on E. Glenn and feel a stop sign is needed and they mentioned the quiet zone.
Lois Coan talked about Bellville 175 Celebration on November 4, 2023.
Rachel Lucky has concerns about the substandard house at 522 S. Masonic.

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

Shawn informed Council that the Audit will be on the May Agenda, McCoy Tree Trimming Service will be trimming trees, informed Council the city will be flushing fire hydrants, informed Council that 522 S. Masonic is due in court tomorrow. Council Member Kenrick inquired about mosquito spraying. Council Member Richardson inquired about tree trimming in the park. Council Member Hollon inquired about the status of the Roensch Street Project. Council Member Dornon inquired about the animal nuisance.

8. QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL MEMBERS/CITY ATTORNEY (DISCUSSION IS LIMITED TO STATEMENT OF POLICY OR STATEMENTS OF FACTUAL MATTERS, OR THE REQUEST THAT A MATTER BE PLACED ON THE NEXT MEETING'S AGENDA)

Council Member Richardson would like to have more of an explanation on the lease agreement with the Fair Association regarding the Turnverein and parking. Council Member Slater would like to revisit the two-hour parking on the square which was originally put in place due to the Courthouse and would like it on the next Agenda. Council Member Kendrick commends Jason Smalley and his staff for the Guns and Hoses event. He would like to commend the parks staff. He would like to commend the Electric Department for restoring power quickly. He would like to commend Ben Munsch, Gas Department and Wastewater on the major leak at Granville/Glenn. He also inquired if Well # 10 is back online. Council Member Hollon informed Council had concerns with Pool Cash is still out of balance. Texas Class on the Investment Report. Debt service is incorrect. She informed of complaints about citizens calling City Hall and that all employees should be answering the phones. Council Member Dornon inquired about the date of the traffic light at Hwy 36/FM 2429 after mentioning another accident involving a school bus.

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 RE-APPOINT ELLA BROWNING, CHARLES HOLMES, DR. LORENZO MCFARLAND AND BRENDA RANDLE, TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD FOR A TWO-YEAR TERM.

(B) CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE 1ST QUARTER INVESTMENT REPORT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

A motion was made by Council Member Dornon and seconded by Council Member Kendrick to approve all consent items. Motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION CONCERNING BEDC BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY SCHIEL ENTERPRISE INC., DBA HOMETOWN HARDWARE CORPORATION NOT TO EXCEED \$82,500.

Council Member Dornon left at 6:01 p.m.

The motion was made by Council Member Richardson and seconded by Council Member Hollon to approve the BEDC BUSINESS IMPROVEMENT GRANT APPLICATION SUBMITTED BY SCHIEL ENTERPRISE INC., DBA HOMETOWN HARDWARE CORPORATION NOT TO EXCEED \$82,500. Motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLVILLE, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 12, TRAFFIC AND VEHICLES, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLVILLE, TEXAS BY ADDING ARTICLE 12.05, TRUCK ROUTES, SECTION 12.03.013, COMMERCIAL VEHICLE PARKING PERMIT, AND SECTION A1.006, COMMERCIAL VEHICLE PARKING PERMIT FEE.

After some discussion Council Member Richardson would like to revisit this next month with some changes. No Action was taken.

12. CONSIDERATION AND ACTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO PUBLISH ALL NECESSARY NOTICES FOR THE ADOPTION OF ZONING REGULATIONS AND SETTING SPECIAL MEETING DATES AND TIMES FOR REQUIRED PUBLIC HEARINGS.

This Agenda Item was moved and was voted on after Agenda Item # 9.

The motion was made by Council Member Richardson and seconded by Council Member Hollon to approve the ACTION TO DIRECT STAFF TO PUBLISH ALL NECESSARY NOTICES FOR THE ADOPTION OF ZONING REGULATIONS AND SETTING SPECIAL MEETING DATES AND TIMES FOR REQUIRED PUBLIC HEARINGS.

Motion carried unanimously.


13. CONSIDER AND APPROVE AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF BELLVILLE'S PERSONNEL POLICIES MANUAL.

The motion was made by Council Member Kendrick and seconded by Council Member Slater to approve AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CITY OF BELLVILLE'S PERSONNEL POLICIES MANUAL regarding Section 5-01 Holiday Pay. Motion carried unanimously.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Council Member Kendrick and seconded by Council Member Slater to adjourn at 6:17 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.

ATTEST:



Rachael Lynch, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary



James Harrison, Mayor