

June 15, 2004

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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

Mayor Philip Harrison called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Browning led all in the prayer and Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

Present to-wit: Mayor Philip B. Harrison, Aldermen Jerome Peters, O. William "Bill" Schmidt, Monte D. Richardson and Wayne Browning; thereby a quorum was established. Also present was City Administrator Lynn S. Roberts and City Secretary Susan Rosinski. City Attorney Charley Smith was absent and Alderman Michael S. "Mike" Mueller arrived at 5:35 p.m.

4. 4. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

A motion was made by Alderman Browning, seconded by Alderman Schmidt to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. 5. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

A motion was made by Alderman Browning, seconded by Alderman Mueller to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 18, 2004 and Special Meeting of May 25, 2004 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

6. 6. CITIZEN'S FORUM

No one was present that wished to address Council.

7. 7. REPORT OR REQUEST(S) FROM MAYOR/COUNCIL/CITY ATTORNEY

Mayor Harrison announced Kari Burt had received a scholarship from Lower Colorado River Authority.

Alderman Peters inquired as to how the priorities were set in relation to the capital improvements. Mayor Harrison responded a meeting was held with the supervisors to prioritize each department's needs.

Alderman Peters also inquired as to whether curbs and streets were to be raised in Bell Oaks Subdivision or were they going to put in more drainage. Mayor Harrison responded there would pretty well be all new curbs, streets would be put back in, raised, and over-laid and then the drainage will be addressed.

Alderman Peters inquired if a five-year capital improvement plan was in place and as he had not seen a six-month review as required by ordinance. Mayor Harrison responded that there is a plan and the plan is used in order to obtain our bond money for our projects. He also stated that there

had been no official review of the plan placed on the agenda, but felt that each time the projects/bond funds were discussed this was considered a review.

Alderman Browning suggested signs be posted to deter skateboarding and bicycling on sidewalks and the need for more handicapped parking near the Austin County Tax Office and Michele's Jewelry. He also stated trees were in need of trimming at property on N. Holland as trees impeded the use of the sidewalk.

Alderman Browning also thought BISD, Austin County and the City of Bellville should meet to discuss future needs.

Alderman Browning inquired as to the status of Well #11. Alderman Richardson informed him this was a good well; bacteriological samples had been taken and the permanent pump was in place. He also stated Well No. 11 can pump approximately 1,100 gallons per minute. Administrator Roberts interjected that Well #11 was replacing Well #5 which pumped approximately 500 gallons per minute.

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

Administrator Roberts informed Council Craig Kankel of O'Malley Engineers would be advertising for bids on street, sanitary sewer and lift station improvement in hopes of awarding the bids at the July 20<sup>th</sup> meeting.

The Library renovation was going well and the carpet was being installed. She also informed Council Inspector Rodriguez had inspected the work and it was progressing nicely.

Chief Matthews informed Council Bellville Police Department had received a \$5,600.00 grant from Houston Galveston Area Council. As part of the grant he had requested eleven hand-held radios; which will be purchased with these funds. Four additional hand-held radios will be needed.

9. PUBLIC HEARING - TO DISCUSS AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING TO THE TEXAS RECREATION AND PARKS ACCOUNT OUTDOOR PROGRAM OF THE TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE DEPARTMENT FOR THE PROPOSED CLARK PARK

Carla Sebesta of Sebesta & Associates appeared before Council to conduct a public hearing on the proposed park located on North Granville Street. Members of the audience as well as Council made inquiries regarding the proposed park. Ms. Sebesta also presented the Comprehensive Park Plan 2004-2008 for the City of Bellville, Texas.

10. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING APPLICATION FOR THE TEXAS RECREATION & PARKS ACCOUNT PROGRAM (TRPA) AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

A motion was made by Alderman Browning, seconded by Alderman Richardson to adopt Resolution #1265 entitled "Resolution Authorizing Application for the Texas Recreation & Parks Account Program (TRPA)" as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

11. DISCUSSION OF BELLVILLE SWIMMING POOL AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY- DAVID NEUMANN

David Neumann appeared before Council and informed them the Bellville Swimming Pool would not be opening this summer as there were no funds available for repairs (pumps, filters, re-plastering pool, repair to leaks as well as payment of liability insurance) and asked for assistance. During discussion, Mr. Neumann informed Council it was discovered the City of Bellville actually owns the land and leased the property for fifty years for one dollar per year. Council was unaware of this lease. Attorney John Harle said this was discovered after going over historical papers from the Bellville Swimming Pool Association. Administrator Roberts stated this information would be given to City Attorney Charley Smith for review.

A motion was made by Alderman Schmidt, seconded by Alderman Browning to table this item. Motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDERATION OF USES OF CITY PROPERTY LOCATED AT 17 W. MAIN STREET AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

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A motion was made by Alderman Mueller, seconded by Alderman Schmidt to place the property at 17 West Main up for sale by sealed bid to be awarded at the August 17, 2004 meeting and to place a "For Sale" sign on the property. Motion carried unanimously.

13. ADJOURNMENT

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A motion was made by Alderman Mueller, seconded by Alderman Schmidt to adjourn at 6:44 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.