JULY 19, 2011

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

1. 5:00 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Monte Richardson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Browning led all in prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

Present-to-wit: Mayor Monte Richardson, Aldermen Douglas Lottridge, Joe Ed Lynn, James Harrison, Derek Anderson and Wayne Browning; thereby a quorum was established. Also present were City Administrator Lynn S. Roberts, City Secretary Betty Hollon and City Attorney Charley Smith arrived at 5:04 p.m.

4. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

The motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Browning to adopt the agenda after moving Agenda Item 13 to follow Agenda Item 8. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Anderson to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 19, 2011 as presented. Alderman Browning abstained due to absence from meeting. Motion carried.

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.)

Delwin Rettig read a Resolution passed by the BEDC that the City adopt a tax abatement policy and asked that this be a future agenda item.

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

No reports or requests.

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

Assistant City Administrator Shawn Jackson reported on crack sealing.

 CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS FOR AUDITING SERVICES AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Browning to accept the proposal for auditing services submitted by Seidel, Schroeder and Company, LLP. Motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDERATION REGARDING COLORADO VALLEY TRANSIT PROJECT BY BEDC AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Vastene Olier reported on the services provided by the Colorado Valley Transit. The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Anderson to approve the BEDC funding of \$10,000 to the Colorado Valley Transit. Motion carried unanimously.

11. DISCUSSION OF PROJECT "REPLANT" AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Mayor Richardson recommended allocating \$3,000 in the budget to purchase trees to replace those removed in recent years in city-owned areas, particularly in the parks.

12. DISCUSSION OF TRAIN/SPEED LIMITS ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Mayor Richardson reported he does not recommend changing the train speed limit. City Attorney Charley Smith will work with TXDOT regarding over-size loads coming through our City and additional signage for railroad crossings is underway.

13. DISCUSSION OF CHRISTMAS LIGHTING PROJECT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Pat Burns discussed with Council proposal to decorate the courthouse and downtown square with LED lighting for the holiday season. The consensus of Council was this be an EDC project.

14. VIDEO PRESENTATION OF LOCAL STREETS – PRESENTED BY ALDERMAN WAYNE BROWNING

Presentation by Wayne Browning of street conditions in the City.

15. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF CITY HEALTH OFFICER AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Lynn to reappoint Dr. Don Bosse the City Health Officer for the term June 18, 2011 through June 18, 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

16. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to reappoint Don Lawrence and Raymond Brennan to the Building Standards Commission for the term April 17, 2011 through April 17, 2012. Motion carried unanimously.

17. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Anderson to adjourn at 6:25 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.