

September 21, 2010

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 Lynn led all in prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Present-to-wit: Mayor Monte Richardson, Aldermen Derek Anderson, Douglas Lottridge, Joe Ed Lynn, and James Harrison; thereby a quorum was established. Alderman Browning arrived at 5:03 p.m. Also present were City Administrator Lynn S. Roberts, City Attorney Charley Smith and City Secretary Betty Hollon.

4. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT AGENDA

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Lynn to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Lynn to approve the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 24, 2010 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 present wished to address Council.

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

There were no reports or requests by Mayor and Council. City Attorney Charley Smith reported on status of the Hayslip lawsuit.

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

City Administrator Lynn Roberts reported the Fall Cleanup will be the first week of November and will be a curbside pickup and trimming of tree overhang will begin the second week of November. Administrator Roberts commented maintenance work is being done throughout the City, the City's credit score with Moody is BAA2 which is exceptionally good, the City has had no tax increase since 2005, and currently the City employs 58 compared to 69 in 2002.

9. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE 2010-2011 BELLVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BUDGET AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Monte Byrd and LeAnn Luedeker were present to answer questions from Council. Alderman Anderson commented dollars look good but asked for more detail as did Aldermen Browning and Lottridge. The motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Browning to approve the 2010-2011 EDC Budget contingent upon a more descriptive breakdown of administrative and marketing promotions to follow next month. Motion carried unanimously.

10. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE AMENDMENT TO FLOOD DAMAGE PREVENTION ORDINANCE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

City Attorney Smith presented Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance #1089 to Council with the amended three (3) changes. The motion was made by Alderman Lynn and seconded by Alderman Harrison to adopt the ordinance as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL 2011 GENERAL ASSEMBLY AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

A motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Lynn to reappoint Alderman Browning as the Representative of the HGAC 2011 General Assembly and Alderman Lottridge the Official Alternate. Motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB CONTRACT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

City Attorney Charley Smith informed Council the Contract in the packet needed to be replaced due to omission of a sentence. Alderman Anderson requested the contract include the City be provided copies of the audited financial statements and Alderman Lottridge asked the City also receive a copy of the Boys and Girls Club Budget. The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Anderson to accept the Boys and Girls Club Contract pending changes made by City Attorney Smith. Motion carried unanimously.

13. BUDGET HEARING

Mayor Richardson opened the budget hearing at 5:39 p.m. and closed the hearing at 5:40 p.m. It was reopened at 5:42 p.m. when an individual spoke regarding the anticipated \$7,000 of increased tax revenue. The hearing closed at 5:46 p.m.

14. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE 2010-2011 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to approve Ordinance #1417 adopting the 2010-2011 Fiscal Year Budget as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

15. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT THE 2010 TAX RATE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lynn and seconded by Alderman Anderson to approve Ordinance #1418 adopting the 2010 Effective Tax Rate of 0.2659. Motion carried unanimously.

16. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Anderson to adjourn at 5:47 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.