

DECEMBER 15, 2015

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF BELLVILLE

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

Mayor Joe Ed Lynn 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 Joe Ed Lynn, Aldermen Douglas Lottridge, Wayne Browning, Clay Kistler, Daniel Poffenberger and James Harrison; thereby a quorum was present. Also present were City Administrator Shawn Jackson, City Attorney Charley Smith and City Secretary Betty Hollon.

4. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT AGENDA

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

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Browning to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of November 17, 2015 after deleting the word "tentative" from Agenda Item 9. 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.)*

Lisa Janish and Betty Hollon spoke to council regarding employee/retiree benefits.

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

Mayor Joe Ed Lynn requested a Special Meeting be held on January 5th to discuss in detail options to retiree insurance.

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

City Administrator Shawn Jackson reported normal maintenance occurring on utilities.

9. PRESENTATION BY MUNICIPAL SOLUTIONS AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Mr. David Evertsen from Municipal Solutions spoke to Council and will submit a comprehensive study proposal for the City of Bellville.

10. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE EDC EXPENSE FOR \$14,500 TO KGA/DEFOREST DESIGN FOR STUDY AND PLAN OF COURTHOUSE AREA/DOWNTOWN SQUARE SIDEWALK IMPROVEMENTS AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to approve the EDC expense of \$14,500 to KGA/DeForest for the study and plan for sidewalk enhancements for courthouse/downtown area. Voting "aye" were Aldermen Lottridge, Harrison, Kistler and Browning. Alderman Poffenberger opposed. Motion carried.

11. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE BELLVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to reappoint Monte Byrd, Pat Burns and Robert Buckner to the Bellville Economic Development Corporation Board. Voting "aye" were Aldermen Lottridge, Harrison, Kistler and Browning. Alderman Poffenberger opposed. Motion carried.

12. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO THE LIBRARY BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to reappoint Joy Mueller, Jackie Williams and Peter Szymanski to the Library Board for the term January 1, 2016 through January 1, 2019. Motion carried unanimously.

13. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO THE AUSTIN COUNTY EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS DISTRICT (911) BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to approve the reappointment of Lisa Janish to the 911 Board for the term January 1, 2016 through January 1, 2018. Motion carried unanimously.

14. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION CASTING VOTES FOR AUSTIN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT REPRESENTATIVE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to approve the Resolution casting the City's 116 votes for Mr. Ernie Koy to serve as a member of the Board of Directors of the Austin County Appraisal District. Motion carried unanimously.

15. CONSIDERATION OF INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Harrison to approve the Interlocal Agreement for Law Enforcement between the County and City. Motion carried unanimously.

16. CONSIDERATION OF AMENDING WRECKER ORDINANCE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Kistler to table this item. There are questions for Chief Matthews to address.

17. OPEN SESSION RECESSED

Open Session recessed at 6:47 p.m.

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION CONVENED UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.071 PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION AND TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.072 DELIBERATIONS OF REAL PROPERTY AND TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.074 TO DELIBERATE THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DISCIPLINE OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE

Executive Session convened at 6:55 p.m.

19. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED

Executive Session adjourned at 7:36 p.m.

20. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

Open Session reconvened at 7:37 p.m.

21. CONSIDERATION OF PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION AND CONSIDERATION OF DELIBERATIONS OF REAL PROPERTY AND CONSIDERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DISCIPLINE OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE

No action.

22. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Browning to adjourn at 7:38 p.m.