

Notice of Canvassing and Meeting
MAY 14, 2019
5:00 p.m.

CANVASSING OF ELECTION RESULTS

Presiding Election Officer, Mayor Joe Ed Lynn certified the figures on the tally sheets corresponded with the figures on the Return Sheets for the May 4, 2019 General Municipal Election.

SWEARING IN IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING CANVASSING

City Attorney, Charley Smith, swore in Mayor Harrison and Aldermen Arlie Kendrick and Clay Kistler.

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL IMMEDIATELY FOLLOWING SWEARING IN

Mayor James Harrison called the Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019 to order at 5:17 p.m.

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF BELLVILLE

1. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Pastor Bell of St. John Lutheran Church led all in prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.

2. CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Present-to-wit: Mayor James Harrison, Aldermen Douglas Lottridge, Clay Kistler, Arlie Kendrick, Alderwomen Cassie Janish and Donna Jacob; thereby a quorum was established. Also present were City Administrator Shawn Jackson, City Attorney Charley Smith and City Secretary Betty Hollon.

3. CONSIDERATION TO ADOPT AGENDA

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderwoman Janish to adopt the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of May 14, 2019 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

4. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderwoman Janish and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of April 16, 2019 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. 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.*)

Citizens Monte Byrd, Gary Morris, Jack Huitt, Brad Taylor, and Danny Jacob spoke in favor of the quiet zone. Joe Ed Lynn commented he would like it done right and that would cost over a million dollars and he was not in favor at this time. Michael Polk agreed the train horn is annoying but believes the money spent on a luxury item like the quiet zone could be better spent, for instance on streets.

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

Mayor James Harrison presented a proclamation to Ex-Mayor Joe Ed Lynn proclaiming Tuesday, May 21st Joe Ed Lynn Day in Bellville, Texas. Alderwoman Jacob asked Council to consider changing meeting times to 5:30 and she inquired on substandard housing and junk vehicles. Alderman Kendrick inquired on liability issues regarding S. Mechanic project (excavated holes) and inquired on plans for old dumpsters stating they are a breeding ground for mosquitos.

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

City Administrator Shawn Jackson reported on the S. Mechanic waterline project stating the bonding company is in process of hiring a new contractor and the open holes will be taken care of by the end of the week. Mr. Jackson also reported the old dumpsters would be sold before next budget year.

8. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT OF PRESIDENT (MAYOR) PRO TEMPORE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderwoman Janish and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to reappoint Alderman Douglas Lottridge as President (Mayor) Pro-Tempore. Motion carried unanimously.

9. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF A BELLVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION EXPENDITURE OF \$168,793.00 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF PUBLIC SAFETY FACILITIES NECESSARY TO IMPLEMENT WHAT IS COMMONLY KNOWN AS A "QUIET ZONE" AT THE INTERSECTIONS OF BNSF RAILROAD TRACK AND HACIENDA, THIRD STREET, MAIN/159 AND GLENN.

The motion was made by Alderwoman Jacob and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to approve the EDC expenditure of \$168,793.00 for the installation of public safety facilities necessary to implement a "quiet zone" at intersections of BNSF railroad track and Hacienda, Third Street, Main/Hwy 159 and Glenn Street. Mayor Harrison called for the vote. Voting in favor were Alderwoman Jacob and Aldermen Kendrick and Kistler. Opposed were Alderwoman Janish and Alderman Lottridge. Motion carried.

10. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AN EXPENDITURE BY THE BELLVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION IN THE FORM OF A GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$133,437.00 TO THE BELLVILLE HOSPITAL FOUNDATION TO PAY FOR A TOTAL IT INFRASTRUCTURE UPGRADE AND REPLACEMENT OF REQUIRED SIGNAGE AT FACILITY TO BE KNOWN AS THE BELLVILLE MEDICAL CENTER.

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderwoman Jacob to approve the EDC expenditure of \$133,437.00 to the Bellville Hospital Foundation to pay for a total IT infrastructure upgrade and replacement of required signage at facility known as Bellville Medical Center. Motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AN EXPENDITURE OF \$16,000.00 BY THE BELLVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO FUND A CONTRACT WITH PUBLIC ADMINISTRATION CONSULTING TO PROVIDE CONSULTING SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE IMPLEMENTATION OF THE STRATEGIC PLAN.

The motion was made by Alderwoman Jacob and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to approve the EDC expenditure of \$16,000 to fund a contract with Public Administration Consulting to provide consulting services in connection with the implementation of the Strategic Plan. Voting aye were Alderwomen Jacob, Janish, and Aldermen Lottridge and Kendrick. Alderman Kistler vote nay. Motion carried.

NO EXECUTIVE SESSION

12. OPEN SESSION RECESSED

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION CONVENED UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION AND TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE SECTION 551.072 DELIBERATION OF ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL 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

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED

15. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

16. CONSIDERATION OF PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION, DELIBERATION OF ACQUISITION AND DISPOSAL OF REAL PROPERTY AND DELIBERATION OF THE APPOINTMENT, EMPLOYMENT, EVALUATION, REASSIGNMENT, DISCIPLINE OR DISMISSAL OF A PUBLIC OFFICER OR EMPLOYEE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

17. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderwoman Jacob and seconded by Alderwoman Janish to adjourn at 6:50 p.m.
Motion carried unanimously.