

JUNE 20, 2017

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, Clay Kistler, James Harrison, Wayne Browning and John Moore; thereby a quorum was established. 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 Lottridge to adopt the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of June 20, 2017 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of May 16, 2017 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.)*

Father Tim Bucek spoke in favor of implementing the quiet zone.

7. 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)

Alderman Kistler commented on Sen's Center utilization and ditch by Sen's Center and Alderman Browning requested topics of insurance and garbage pickup be on next agenda. Alderman Browning commented the streets are looking good but we need to continue tree trimming to prevent future problems.

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

City Administrator Shawn Jackson reported work on Anderson Street will begin within the next 2-3 weeks and ditches are currently being cleaned. Chief Larry Matthews introduced to Council the new patrol officer, Mr. Travis Moore.

9. DISCUSSION ON INITIAL AND TOTAL OVERALL COSTS AND BENEFITS OF IMPLEMENTATION OF QUIET ZONE PROPOSAL

Mr. Paul Jones, President of the Bellville EDC spoke on establishing a "quieter" zone in Bellville. Wayside horns would be implemented. The EDC is asking for \$13,000 to proceed for additional consulting fees. The mayor commented there are many questions that need answering before proceeding; such as insurance costs and liability issues, are city employees qualified to do some of the work, will trucks be able to make the turns, etc.

10. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO BELLVILLE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Mayor Joe Ed Lynn made the recommendation to appoint Delwin Rettig to fulfill the unexpired term of Robert Buckner on the Bellville Economic Development Corporation Board. The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to appoint Delwin Rettig to the EDC Board for the term June 20, 2017 through December 16, 2017. Opposed were Aldermen John Moore and Clay Kistler. Alderman Browning abstained from the vote. Due to the tie, the Mayor voted in favor of the appointment. Motion carried.

11. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENTS TO SENS CENTER BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY
The motion was made by Alderman Kistler and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to appoint Sandra Gilbert and Garry Kroeger to the Sens Activity Center Board for a two-year term. Motion carried unanimously.
12. CONSIDERATION OF ACCEPTANCE OF RESOLUTION FROM AUSTIN COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY
The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to accept the Resolution from the Austin County Appraisal District regarding the selection process of members of the Board of Directors. Voting in favor were Aldermen Harrison, Moore, Browning and Lottridge. Alderman Kistler abstained. Motion carried.
13. CONSIDERATION OF APPOINTMENT TO BELLVILLE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY
The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to appoint Sidra Richardson to the Bellville Housing Authority Board to fulfill the unexpired term of James Harris. Motion carried unanimously.
14. CONSIDERATION OF PROPOSALS FOR AUDITING SERVICES AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY
This item was tabled until next month.
15. OPEN SESSION RECESSED
Open Session recessed at 6:35 p.m.
16. 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
Executive Session convened at 6:40 p.m.
17. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED
Executive Session adjourned at 7:30 p.m.
18. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED
Open Session reconvened at 7:31 p.m.
19. 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
The motion was made by Alderman Moore and seconded by Alderman Browning to dispose of real property at 17 W. Main (Habitat Building) and go out for bids. Motion carried.
20. ADJOURNMENT
The motion was made by Alderman Wayne Browning to adjourn at 7:32 p.m.