

FEBRUARY 18, 2020

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

CITY OF BELLVILLE

1. 5:30 P.M. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor James Harrison called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Wayne Browning led all in prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.

3. CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Present-to-wit: Mayor James Harrison, Aldermen Douglas Lottridge, Arlie Kendrick and Clay Kistler, Alderwomen Donna Jacob and Cassie Janish; 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 Alderwoman Janish and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to adopt the Agenda for the Regular Meeting of February 18, 2020 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. CONSIDERATION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to approve the Minutes of the Regular Meeting of January 21, 2020 and Minutes of the Special Meeting of January 28, 2020 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.*)

Mr. Ric Flores spoke regarding Agenda Item 13 – Strategic Planning Committee.

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 asked for the wording on the next Executive Session be changed to include "The private or public censure of a City Council office holder and/or steps to initiate a petition to be presented to district court for the purpose of removing an elected official of the City Council." Alderman Kendrick inquired on the Mechanic Street project and commented on the extremely high water bill for an individual on Carter Rd. Alderwoman Jacob requested an update on the airport. She also commented on violations of ordinances and inquired on delinquent accounts/extensions and the GIS System. She also complimented the Library on their fundraisers. Mayor Harrison thanked the employees who worked on the crosswalk by the Library and the water leak on Super Bowl Sunday. He also congratulated Emmanuel Sanders.

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

City Administrator Shawn Jackson reported on progress of S. Mechanic and S. Masonic.

9. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES FOR THE MAY 2, 2020 MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Kistler to appoint Becky Stanford the Presiding Judge and Jamie Willingham the Alternate Presiding Judge for the May 2, 2020 General Municipal Election. Motion carried unanimously.

10. DISCUSSION REGARDING DUMPSTERS ON STREETS AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Discussion was held regarding several commercial dumpsters located on streets being a traffic hazard. City Administrator Shawn Jackson will talk to Republic and see if they have a solution and will report next month.

11. DISCUSSION OF SEC. 3.03.006 PARKING OF RECREATIONAL VEHICLES, ETC.; REGULATED OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Mr. Jeff Brown spoke to Council regarding the amendment to the ordinance governing use of recreational vehicles, camper buses, motor homes and camper trailers within the city limits. The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Kistler to delete language of Sec. 3.03.006 Ordinance regulating the parking of recreational vehicles per legal counsel approval. Mayor Harrison called for the vote. Voting aye were Aldermen Lottridge, Kistler, Kendrick, and Alderwoman Janish. Opposed was Alderwoman Jacob. Motion carried.

12. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF BEDC GRANT IN THE AMOUNT OF \$44,525 TO SARTAIN'S AWESOME SHOPPE, LLC AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Kendrick and seconded by Alderwoman Janish to approve the BEDC grant to Sartain's Awesome Shoppe, LLC of \$44,525. Motion carried unanimously.

13. CONSIDERATION OF APPROVAL OF AMENDMENT ADDING SECTION 1.10 TO THE CODE OF ORDINANCES PROVIDING FOR STRATEGIC PLAN COMMITTEE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to approve the ordinance adding Section 1.10 of the Code of Ordinances providing for Strategic Plan Committee Article 1. Motion carried unanimously. The motion was then made by Alderman Kistler and seconded by Alderwoman Janish to appoint Douglas Lottridge, James Harrison, Garrett Dornon, Ric Flores and Ross Farrell to the Committee for a two-year term commencing February 18, 2020. Alderman Lottridge abstained from the vote. Motion carried.

14. OPEN SESSION RECESSED

Open Session recessed at 6:35 p.m.

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION CONVENED UNDER TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 PENDING OR CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION AND TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 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 AND TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE 551.087 TO DELIBERATE ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT NEGOTIATIONS

Executive Session convened at 6:40 p.m.

16. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED

Executive Session adjourned at 7:20 p.m.

17. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

Open Session reconvened at 7:22 p.m.

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

No action.

19. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Kendrick to adjourn at 7:22 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.