

JUNE 17, 2008

MINUTES OF A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL

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

Mayor Richardson called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m.

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Browning led all in prayer and Pledges of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF QUORUM

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

4. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO ADOPT AGENDA

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

5. CONSIDERATION/ACTION TO APPROVE MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

A motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Lynn to approve the minutes of the Special Meeting of May 20, 2008 and the Regular Meeting of May 20, 2008 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

Mayor Richardson discussed a committee of active community participants be formed to help advise the EDC and Council regarding goal setting activities. Mayor Richardson is working with Mr. Delwin Rettig and will provide further information next month.

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

City Administrator Lynn Roberts presented Council with a brief status report on the street project and informed Council the Austin County Fair Association is having formal plans drawn up for Council review of their expansion at the fairgrounds.

9. DISCUSSION OF ADA LAWS AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY – MELANIE BOYTE

Ms. Melanie Boyte spoke to Council regarding ADA issues in Bellville. She presented Council with a list of 13 access issues. ADA Coordinator, Lynn Roberts will meet with Ms. Boyte within 15 days to discuss.

10. APPOINTMENT OF ADA COORDINATOR AND DISCUSSION OF ADA GRIEVANCE PROCEDURE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

City Attorney Charley Smith presented Council with a copy of the Grievance Procedure under the Americans with Disabilities Act. Attorney Smith made one correction to the document. On the first page change appeals to the "City Administrator" to appeals to the "Mayor." The motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Lynn to appoint the City Administrator as the ADA Coordinator and to pass the Grievance Procedure under the Americans with Disabilities Act with the contingency upon the word changing stated above. Motion carried unanimously.

11. CONSIDERATION/ACTION ON RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF THE 2009/2010 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM APPLICATION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Vicki Spiess of Kerbow & Associates presented Council with a Resolution authorizing the submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant Program application for \$350,000 with ORCA for funding in 2009/2010. The motion was made by Alderman Anderson and seconded by Alderman Browning to accept the Resolution as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

12. DISCUSSION TO CONSIDER RECOMMENDATIONS OF ABATEMENT FROM BUILDING STANDARDS COMMISSION ON PROPERTY 2008-01 AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Council agreed to table this item for 90 days due to dismantling efforts in progress.

13. DISCUSSION REGARDING ARTICLE 2.100-RABIES CONTROL, ARTICLE 3.1200-SUBSTANDARD BUILDINGS, ARTICLE 6.200-WEEDS, GRASS, BRUSH AND OTHER IMPURE AND UNWHOLESOME MATTER, ARTICLE 7.100-JUNKED VEHICLES AND ARTICLE 10.100-TRAFFIC REGULATIONS AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Copies of the above ordinances were distributed to Mayor and Council. Attorney Smith made several recommendations regarding amendments on these ordinances. Council will study and give their thoughts regarding changes to Attorney Smith who will present at next month's meeting.

14. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Anderson to adjourn at 6:34 p.m. Motion carried unanimously.