

March 15, 2016

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 Daniel Poffenberger; 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 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 February 16, 2016 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. J. R. Johnson asked Council to consider renaming S. Thomas Street to Martin Luther King Street. Donna Jacob representing Austin County Cruisers thanked City Staff and Police Department for the good job they did with the Car Show on March 12<sup>th</sup>. She asked that the parking issue and more public restrooms be looked at. Linda Niehuus commented on the fine job done by Friends of Bellville by sprucing up downtown Bellville and mentioned that parking on the square and the train horn is a concern of hers.

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)

Mayor Joe Ed Lynn commented on the large crowd attending the Car Show and asked Alderman Poffenberger to chair a committee to come up with a solution for the parking problem around the square. Alderman Browning requested mowing and washouts on streets from heavy rain to be looked at.

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

City Administrator Shawn Jackson mentioned manual meter reading is being done in March and April and a celebration honoring Emmanuel Sanders will be held Friday, March 25<sup>th</sup> at Clark Park.

9. PRESENTATION FROM REPRESENTATIVE OF TML (TEXAS MUNICIPAL LEAGUE) REGARDING EMPLOYEE INSURANCE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Mr. Richard Walker spoke regarding employee health insurance benefits.

10. PRESENTATION FROM REPRESENTATIVE OF TMRS (TEXAS MUNICIPAL RETIREMENT SYSTEM) REGARDING EMPLOYEE RETIREMENT AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

Mr. Anthony Mills spoke regarding employee retirement benefits.

11. CONSIDERATION TO INCREASE TOWING FEES IN WRECKER ORDINANCE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Poffenberger to increase the towing fee rate to \$200.00. Motion carried unanimously.

12. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION FOR BOYS AND GIRLS CLUB ENDORSING APPLICATION FOR GRANT FUNDING THROUGH THE CRIMINAL JUSTICE DIVISION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Kistler and seconded by Alderman Browning to approve the Resolution for the Boys and Girls Club for the continuance of the Smart Leaders Program funded by the Criminal Justice Division of the Office of the Governor of the State of Texas. Motion carried unanimously.

13. CONSIDERATION OF ORDINANCE APPOINTING ELECTION JUDGES FOR MAY 7, 2016 GENERAL MUNICIPAL ELECTION AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to approve the Ordinance appointing Judy Evans the Presiding Judge and Betty Krueger the Alternate Presiding Judge for the General Municipal Election to be held May 7, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

14. CONSIDERATION OF REPLAT OF TESCH ESTATES SUBDIVISION BLOCK 1, LOTS 1 - 4 AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to approve the replat of Mr. Lynn Burling's property into four (4) lots. Motion carried unanimously.

15. DISCUSSION AND EXAMINATION OF ON-STREET PARKING AND DIRECTION TO COUNSEL TO DRAFT ORDINANCE IF NECESSARY AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Browning and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to table this agenda item. Motion carried unanimously.

16. OPEN SESSION RECESSED

No Executive Session.

17. 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

18. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED

19. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED

20. 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

21. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Browning to adjourn at 6:25 p.m.