

SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

MINUTES OF A SPECIAL 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 Poffenberger 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 and Daniel Poffenberger; thereby a quorum was established. Alderman Browning was absent. 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 Poffenberger and seconded by Alderman Lottridge to adopt the agenda as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

5. PUBLIC HEARING TO CONSIDER PROPOSED 2016 TAX RATE (1<sup>ST</sup> OF TWO HEARINGS)

The hearing was opened at 5:02 p.m. by Mayor Lynn. No comments were made by the public. The hearing closed at 5:03 p.m.

6. DISCUSSION REGARDING ACTIVE EMPLOYEES MEDICAL INSURANCE AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY

The motion was made by Alderman Lottridge and seconded by Alderman Harrison to increase individual medical coverage cost from \$50.00 to \$75.00 per month and to increase dependent coverage cost from \$150.00 to \$200.00 per month. Mayor Lynn called for the vote. Alderman Lottridge, Harrison, and Kistler voted "aye". Alderman Poffenberger was opposed. Motion carried.

7. BUDGET WORKSHOP

Discussion was held regarding the 2016-2017 Proposed Budget. Administrator Shawn Jackson recommended increasing water rates and having once a week garbage pickup instead of twice a week in lieu of buying a new garbage truck. It was also recommended the City hire a full-time inspector/fire marshal. Mr. Jackson also included in the proposed budget a 3% salary increase, new roofs for the turnverein and electric department, swing set for Clark Park, DIMP Program for Gas Department, rehab at Briarwood Lift Station, \$20,000 for Boys & Girls Club, tub grinding for Recycling Center, etc. Alderman Poffenberger suggests the City hire a Chief Financial Officer who could provide financial/budget assistance, technical support and work on equipment in addition to work on Capital Improvement Plan. Further budget discussion will be held at the Special Meeting of September 13<sup>th</sup>.

NO EXECUTIVE SESSION

8. OPEN SESSION RECESSED

9. 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 OR 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

10. EXECUTIVE SESSION ADJOURNED
11. OPEN SESSION RECONVENED
12. 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 NEGOTIATIONS AND ANY RELATED ACTION NECESSARY
13. ADJOURNMENT

The motion was made by Alderman Poffenberger to adjourn at 5:35 p.m.