

A regular meeting of the City Council was held at City Hall on Tuesday, March 20, 2007.

1. Call To Order

Mayor Piper called the meeting to order.

2. Invocation

Invocation was given

3. Roll Call

Council present: Mayor Larry Piper, Rodney Weems, Gary Coker, Rita McMillan, Ken McConnell. Absent: Larry Borders

Also present: Tim Moss, City Manager; Gary Stroud, Police Chief; Charlie Stevenson, City Attorney; Homer Toscano, Director of Public Works.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

5. Presentations by Citizens -

Visitors– Al Lindley, Teena Maeza, and Frank Lawrence

6. Consent Items

A. Approval of Minutes - February 20, 2007

B. Approval of Bills - \$39,211.44

Rodney Weems made a motion to approve the above consent items. Gary Coker seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

7. Public Hearings

None

8. Fire Department Report

None

9. Old Business

A. Junk Vehicles – Order to remove three

Sargent Bills spoke in regards to the junk vehicles. One at 602 6th Street; and one at Orange St. at this time have not been removed. The third vehicle has been removed. Discussion made. Gary Coker made a motion to take action and haul off vehicle at 602 6th Street. Rodney Weems seconded. All in favor; motion carried. Gary Coker made a motion to table the vehicle on Orange St. until next Council meeting. Rodney Weems seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

B. Consider Forming a Committee to work on Dangerous Animal Ordinance

Gary Stroud spoke and stated there were several residents interested in being on the committee. Randy Misch, Dennis Mays, Gary Coker (liaison with Council), and possibly John Ed Marsh, and Charlie Stevenson as advisors. Rodney Weems made a motion to form the committee with the stated members. Ken McConnell seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

C. Consider Parking Ordinance for Cornelia Street

Sargent Bills in regards to Cornelia St. Sargent Bills requested to have parking only on the right hand side of street. And, to add additional signs for one way and no right turn coming out of car wash. Discussion was made. Gary Coker made a motion to table until next meeting. Ken McConnell seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

D. Approve 8 Liner Ordinance

Charlie Stevenson read the ordinance. Rita McMillan made a motion to accept the ordinance prohibiting new 8 liners into the city. Rodney Weems seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

E. Approve/ Adopt Zoning Code

Rodney Weems discussed the proposed zoning code. Rita McMillan made a motion to receive the zoning code and move forward with a public hearing. Ken McConnell seconded. All in favor; motion carried. Date to be set at next council meeting.

F. Annexation

Discussion made. Written notice must be given 30 days prior to public hearing to affected residents. May 8th is first scheduled public hearing. May 15th seconded public hearing. Notice must be sent by April 1st. June 9th scheduled date to adopt ordinance. Rodney Weems made a motion to proceed with the schedule as detailed. Gary Coker seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

G. Kathy Holloman – Final Approval on Subdividing Property

Tabled until next Council meeting; mylar copy of property needed.

10. New Business

A. Proclaim April as Fair Housing Month

Mayor Piper read the Proclamation. No action taken.

B. Award Bids for Police Cars

Tim Moss discussed the bids. 1 bid was received from Philpott Motors; \$25,304.00 each; for a total of \$50,608.00. Rita McMillan made a motion to accept the bid from Philpott Motors in the amount of \$50,608.00 for 2 new police cars. Gary Coker seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

C. Award Bids for Public Works Pickups

Tim Moss discussed the bids. 4 bids were received. Gary Coker made a motion to accept the bid from Prestige Ford in the amount of \$36,651.00 for 3 new public works trucks. Rodney Weems seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

D. Permission to Arrange Financing for Vehicles

Discussion was made. Rita McMillan made a motion to give Tim Moss permission to get the best financing for a four year loan for the 2 police cars and 3 public works trucks; equal to \$87,259.00 Gary Coker seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

E. Dispose of Two (2) Surplus Vehicles

Rodney Weems made a motion for Tim Moss to make arrangements for the disposal of a 92' and 93' Ford vehicles in storage. Ken McConnell seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

F. Property Tax Resale Sycamore St.

Discussion was made on the property. Rita McMillan made a motion to accept the property tax resale committee's proposal to have the property purchased. Rodney Weems seconded. All in favor; motion carried.

G. P.D. Staff Reports/ Collection Process Regarding Fines and Serving of Warrants

Resolved prior to Council meeting

11. Reports of Advisory Boards & Commissions

None

12. Mayor, Council and Staff Reports

Mayor Piper– Thanked the Planning and Zoning Commission once again for their work.
Tim Moss – Pharmacy. Senior Building parking lot paved; and striping to be done. TML gas audit – excellent report; 15 years in a row.

13. Announcements

Mayor Piper read a Proclamation for Child Abuse Awareness and Prevention Month in April.

14. Closed Executive Session in Accordance with the Open Meetings Act, Tex. Gov’t Code § 511.071, § 551.072 and § 551.074.

OPEN MEETING:

15. Discussion and action on any items discussed in Executive Session

16. Adjournment

Being no further business meeting adjourned at 8:28 PM

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS ____ DAY OF _____, 2007

Reatta Minshew, City Secretary