

A regular meeting of the City Council of Sweeny, Texas, was held at City Hall on Tuesday, May 20, 2014 at 6 pm.

1. Call to Order

Mayor Rodney Weems called the meeting to order.

2. Roll Call

Council Present: Gary Coker, Dale Lemon, Ray Bailey, Rachel Wells and Pat Moss. Also present: Cindy King, City Manager; Charlie Stevenson, City Attorney; John Barnard, Chief of Police; Homer Toscano, Dir. of Public Works and Jose De' Julian.

3. Invocation

Invocation was given by Charlie Stevenson.

4. Pledge of Allegiance

Pledge to the American Flag was recited and led by Gary Coker.

Pledge to the Texas Flag was recited and led by Rachel Wells.

CANVASS THE VOTE FROM MAY 10, 2014

Charlie Stevenson read the resolution canvassing the returns and declaring the results of a General Election held in and throughout the City of Sweeny, 10th day of May 2014. Whereas, it appears from said election returns, which were delivered to the City Council by the appropriate election official, that the following number of votes were cast for each of the respective candidates for the offices of City Judge and City Council person to-wit:

OFFICE OF CITY JUDGE

CANDIDATE	NUMBER OF VOTES
Robert Foster	276
Larry Moore	206

CITY COUNCIL PERSON POSITION ONE

Robert Cajunbob Thornsberry	85
Gary Coker	314
Chris Martinez	105

CITY COUNCIL PERSON POSITION THREE

Ray (Rafel) Bailey Jr.	416
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CITY COUNCIL PERSON FIVE

Jerry Phillips	287
Neal Bess Jr.	225

WHEREAS, it appears that the candidates for the respective office receiving the greatest number of votes cast for such office are all and singularly qualified to hold such offices, under the terms and conditions provided by law; and **THAT, Robert Foster, Gary Coker, Ray Bailey Jr. and Jerry Phillips** received the greater number of votes cast for such respective offices and qualifies for such offices and are entitled to such offices upon taking the constitutional oath of office required by law.

Ray Bailey made the motion to accept the canvass and declare the results of the election. Dale Lemon seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

SWEAR IN NEW OFFICIALS

Robert Foster – City Municipal Judge
Gary Coker – Council Position One
Ray Bailey Jr. – Council Position Three
Jerry Phillips – Council Position Five

The above persons recited the Oath of Office and Statement.

**Mayor Weems presented Pat Moss with a plaque in recognition for her two years of service on the City Council.

5. Presentation of Citizens: NONE

Visitors:

6. Consent Items

A. Approval of Minutes – April 15, 2014

B. Approval of Bills \$63,029.62

Gary Coker made a motion to approve consent items. Ray Bailey seconded. All were in favor; motion carried.

7. Public Hearing:

8. Fire Department Report

Roger Barton gave the report.

9. Old Business

- A. Discuss / Approve Final Plat for 609 Pine Street**
Dale Lemon made a motion to approve final plat for 609 Pine Street. Rachel Wells seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- B. Award bid for security improvements to Court / City Hall**
Cindy King stated that the city only received one bid and that the bid was over three thousand dollars that is in the court security fund for this improvement.
- Gary Coker made a motion to reject the only bid received. Ray Bailey seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.

10. New Business

- A. Appoint Mayor Pro-tem**
Council voted by secret ballot with Gary Coker receiving 3 votes and Dale Lemon receiving two votes.
- B. Discuss / Approve to Subdivide 106 S. Travis**
Dorothy Anderson would like to subdivide her property at 106 S. Travis from four lots into 2 lots.
- Dale Lemon made a motion to provide preliminary approval to subdivide 106 S. Travis. Rachel Wells seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- C. Discuss / Approve O'Malley Engineers for Wastewater Treatment Plant Rehab**
Ms. King stated the City of Sweeny receives grant monies from CDBG every three years. We will receive \$190,000.00 for rehabilitation for the Wastewater Treatment Plant. Cindy stated the council needed to approve the contract with O'Malley Engineers for this rehab project.
- Dale Lemon made a motion to approve O'Malley Engineers Contract for Wastewater Treatment Plant Rehab. Rachel Wells seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- D. Discuss / Approve Variance for Fireworks on July 4, 2014.**
The Chamber of Commerce is asking for permission to have a fireworks display on July 4th at the Old Fashion 4th of July Celebration in the Backyard Park.
- Ray Bailey made a motion to approve the variance to allow fireworks display on July 4th for the Old Fashion 4th of July Celebration. Gary Coker seconded. All were in favor. Motion carried.
- E. Proclamation: Sweeny United Week June 15, 2014**

ANNOUCEMENTS

- 11. Closed Executive Session**

OPEN MEETING

- 12. Discussion and action from Executive Session**
- 13. Adjournment: 6:34 p.m.**

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS _____ DAY OF _____, 2014

Reatta Minshev, City Secretary