

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

MARCH 21, 2011 – 6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Billy John Murphy Mayor
Greg Drennan Alderman Place 1
Kim Johnston Alderman Place 2
Donnie Hayes Alderman Place 3
Dianna Sursa Alderman Place 4
Mike McMahan Alderman Place 5

STAFF: Mark Anderson City Manager
Jocelyn Perez City Secretary
James Mosley City Attorney
Tonia Eberhardt E.M.S. Director
Marie Farbro Chief of Police

GUESTS: Mr. & Mrs. Hawthorne

ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, WELCOME GUESTS

Mayor, Billy Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:02 P.M., Council Member Hayes gave the invocation, and lead the pledge. Mayor Murphy took time to thank all guests for coming.

ITEM #2: PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Murphy asked to skip to Item #9 and come back to item #2.

ITEM #9: EXECUTIVE SESSION – NO ACTION TAKEN

Executive Session started @ 6:04 p.m.

Meeting with Attorney James Mosley

Returned to Open Session @ 7:13 p.m.

ITEM #3: MONTHLY REPORTS

Maintenance: No report Maintenance Supervisor Curtis Hampton was on vacation.

E.M.S.: E.M.S. Director Tonia Eberhardt reported the following:

EMS had 14 call outs in February 2011. They had 4 no transports, 8 transports to GPCH, 1 cancelled call and 1 direct to BSA.

The EMS Annual Golf Tournament is scheduled for April 16th, 2011. Anyone that could help would be greatly appreciated.

EMS has 3 new volunteers.

Fire Department: (Absent)

Police Department: Chief of Police, Marie Farbro reported the following:

Contacts – 22
Calls for Service – 125
Accidents – 1
Agency Assists – 6
Arrests – 1
E.M.S. – 6

She is looking at 4 applicants for the current open position. 2 interviews will be on March 29, 2011 and the other 2 will be on April 1, 2011. Council Member Sursa volunteered to sit-in on interviews with Chief Farbro and City Manager Anderson.

C.D.C.: (Absent)

Cemetery: City Secretary, Jocelyn Perez reported the following:

Funerals – 4
Cemetery Deeds – 12
Flagged Locations for Headstones to be set – 4
Total Revenue for Feb. 2011 = \$1,475.00

City Manager: Mark Anderson reported the following:

Gas System: The Railroad Commission was here on March 2nd to begin conduction of the “Annual Inspection”, which will continue with a return visit on their part on April 4th. The City of Perryton Gas System representatives were here on February 16th to review our operation with Curtis, Don, & Gary, in order to help us improve the efficiency of our system. Curtis and Gary then went to Perryton on February 17th to review Perryton’s gas system operations. Gary and Mark will be attending a Texas Gas Association Meeting at Dumas on March 24th, in regard to updates on changes to the “Steel Service Replacement Rule”.

Water System: Employees Binion & Phillips will be attending a “Ground Water Production” training session as part of their licensing requirements. This will be held in Amarillo on April 12th thru the 14th.

Swimming Pool: Curtis & Angela will be at a “Certified Pool Operator” class at Lubbock on April 14 & 15, to attain certification.

Ambulance Service: Jim Corbitt, Tonia and Mark met with the volunteers on March 8th to give them an update on the on-going review with the Hutchinson County Hospital District.

Municipal Court: Judge Diana Conaway and Susie Sims will be attending a “Municipal Court Conference” on April 12 & 13 in Amarillo.

Wastewater: On February 24th the State came in to look at our facility. Everything passed inspection with no violations; however we may need to look at a better meter to monitor in-flow.

ITEM #4: MINUTES APPROVED

Following review of the minutes of the regular meeting of February 14, 2011, motion was made by Council Member Drennan, seconded by Council Member Sursa, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

ITEM #5: FEBRUARY 2011 PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS APPROVED:

The expenditures for February 2011 were submitted for the consideration of the Council. Following discussion on a J&L equipment invoice, motion was made by Council Member Hayes, seconded by Council Member Sursa, to approve payment of the expenditures for February 2011. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

ITEM #6: POLICIES AND PROCEDURES FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT APPROVED:

Police Chief Marie Farbro presented to the council a policies and procedures manual which she has currently worked on with the assistance from Texas Municipal League. Motion was made by Council Member Sursa, seconded by Council Member Johnston, to implement the policies and procedures. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

ITEM #7: “STRUCK OFF” PROPERTY – 227 CLARK, LOTS 21-23 BLOCK 98 O.T.S. APPROVED:

An offer of \$2,250.00 was submitted from Daniel and Katha Howard for property location 227 Clark (lots 21-23, block 98, Original Townsite of Stinnett). This property has a total appraised value of \$2,250.00. Motion was made by Council Member Drennan, seconded by Council Member McMahan, to accept the offer of \$2,250.00. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

ITEM #8: STREET IMPROVEMENTS - APPROVED

City Manager Anderson provided the council with an estimate of \$79,996.00 for sealcoating from Brandt Engineering. Part of the project will be a joint effort with Hutchinson County. Mr. Anderson stated, “[he] would need authorization from the council to go out for bids.” Motion was made by Council Member Drennan, seconded by Council Member Hayes, to allow City Manager Anderson to go out for bids on sealcoating. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

BACK TO ITEM #2: PUBLIC COMMENT:

Mayor Murphy gave an update on the Carter Addition Project. He said things were going smoothly and looks like we have (2) 2”, (1) 8”, and (2) 6” valves to install.

ITEM #10: ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE

Council came out of executive session earlier @ 7:13 pm. No action was taken.

ITEM #11: ADJOURN

Motion was made by Council Member Hayes, seconded by Council Member Johnston, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:56 pm.

Mayor

ATTEST

City Secretary