

**MINUTES
CITY OF TEAGUE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR CALLED MEETING
NOVEMBER 16, 2020 6:00 P.M.**

1. **CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM IS PRESENT:** *The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor James Monks and a Quorum was announced.*
2. **INVOCATION:** *Alderman Mathison*
3. **PLEDGE TO THE FLAG:** *Mayor Monks*
4. **ROLL CALL:** *Present: Present: James Monks, Mayor, Jerry Ballew, Mayor Pro Tempore / Alderman Place I, Rhonda Jones, Alderman Place II, Chris Nickleberry, Alderman Place IV, and Ryan Mathison, Alderman Place V* *Absent: None* *Vacant: Alderman Place III*
5. **NEW BUSINESS:**
 - a. Discussion and possible action on approving Resolution 2020-11-16 canvassing returns and declaring results of the General Election for the purpose of Mayor and Aldermen, Place I and Place III; and noting the time of the completion of canvassing.
Alderman Ballew moved to approve Resolution 2020-11-16 as corrected, seconded by Alderman Mathison. Motion Carried 4-0.

At 6:09 P.M. the canvassing completed.
 - b. Issuance of Certificates of Election to Elected Mayor, Alderman Place I, and Alderman Places III; and administer Oaths of Office.
City Administrator Bell issued certificates of election and administered the oaths of office to re-elected Mayor James Monks, re-elected Alderman Place I Jerry Ballew and newly elected Alderman Place III Marilyn Michaud.
6. **VISITORS/CITIZENS COMMENTS:** *None*
7. **CONSENT AGENDA:**
 - a. Approve Minutes from the October 19, 2020 Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
 - b. Approve the Accounts Payable and Payroll Check Registers for the month of October 2020
 - c. Accept the Financial Statement for October 2020
Alderman Mathison made a motion to approve Consent Agenda Items 7 A – C, seconded by Alderman Jones. Motion carried 4-0-1 (Alderman Michaud Abstaining).
8. **PUBLIC HEARING:**
 - a. Hear public comments on the need to continue the City of Teague's Code of Ordinance Article 8.900 Curfew for Minors.
Public Hearing Opened at 6:14 P.M.

Public Hearing Closed at 6:15 P.M.
9. **OLD BUSINESS:**
 - a. None
10. **CONTINUATION OF NEW BUSINESS:**
 - c. Discussion and possible action on approving Ordinance No. 2020-11-16 reviewing and authorizing Chapter 8, Article 8.900 of the Code of Ordinances.
Alderman Ballew moved to approve Ordinance No. 2020-11-16, seconded by Alderman Jones. Motion carried 4-1 (Alderman Mathison voting nay).



- d. Discussion and possible action on approving the lowest and best contractor and bid for the Community Development Block Grant Sanitary Sewer Project No. 7219439.
City Administrator Bell and Public Works Director Cowling presented the received contractor bids and explained that due to the lack of references, experience with similar projects and experience with Community Development Block Grant projects, the contractor with the lowest bid would not be the recommended contractor for this project. They continued by explaining that contractor, Leetech Solutions, L. L. C., with a bid in the amount of \$288,580.00, is the recommended lowest and best contractor for the upcoming Community Development Block Grant Sanitary Sewer Project No. 7219439.
- Alderman Jones made a motion to accept and approve the bid from Leetech Solutions, seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 5-0.*
- e. Receive presentation from Tiera Abram regarding numerous city streets and the request for total repair and not patched.
Ms. Abram was not in attendance to present Item 10 E.
Alderman Ballew moved to take no action on Agenda Item 10 E. and 10 F., seconded by Alderman Mathison. Motion carried 5-0.
- f. Discussion and possible action on Agenda Item 8 A, Tiera Abram's request for total repairs on numerous city streets.
Alderman Ballew moved to take no action on Agenda Item 10 E. and 10 F., seconded by Alderman Mathison. Motion carried 5-0.
- g. Discussion and possible action on approving Ordinance 2020-11-16-A designating North 10th Avenue as a one-way street during school hours.
Alderman Nickleberry made a motion to approve Agenda Item 10 G., seconded by Alderman Jones. Motion carried 5-0.
- h. Discussion and possible action on approving a bid for the purchase of the budgeted DuraPatcher; and authorizing the purchase of the approved bid.
Alderman Ballew moved to approve the purchase from Texas Patcher and authorized the purchase of the budgeted DuraPatcher, seconded by Alderman Mathison. Motion carried 5-0.
- i. Discussion and possible action on approving Resolution 2020-11-16-A extending the Local Disaster Declaration.
Mayor Monks moved Agenda Item 10 I. to be discussed after Agenda Item 10 M.
- Alderman Mathison made a motion to approve Resolution 2020-11-16-A, extending the Local Disaster Declaration until 11:59 P.M. on December 14, 2020, seconded by Alderman Ballew. Motion carried 5-0.*
- j. Discussion and possible action on approving the 8th Avenue City Park's Sidewalk Plans and authorizing the installation of proposed sidewalks.
Alderman Ballew moved to reconvene the Parks Committee to make recommendations at a later date, seconded by Alderman Jones. Motion carried 5-0.
- k. Discussion and possible action on approving Resolution No: 2020-11-16-B which authorizes the submission of a grant for Routine Airport Maintenance Program (Ramp Grant) at the Teague Municipal Airport for Fiscal Year 2020, in an amount not to exceed \$50,000.00; and authorizing compliance with the grant terms; and authorizing the Mayor to act as the city's executive officer and authorized representative in all matters pertaining to the city's participation in the Texas Department Of Transportation Grant For Routine Airport Maintenance Program.
Alderman Mathison made a motion to approve Agenda Item 10 K., seconded by Alderman Ballew. Motion carried 5-0.

- l. Discussion and possible action on authorizing the City Administrator to request proposals for employee insurance brokers.
Alderman Ballew moved to approve Agenda Item 10 L., authorizing the City Administrator to request proposals for employee insurance brokers, seconded by Alderman Jones. Motion carried 5-0.
- m. Discussion and possible action on changing the December 21, 2020 Meeting of the Board of Aldermen to either December 14, 2020 or December 28, 2020.
Alderman Jones made a motion to approve Agenda Item 10 M. and moving the meeting to December 14, 2020, seconded by Alderman Ballew. Motion carried 5-0.

At 6:46 P.M. Open Session convened into Executive Session

11. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – In accordance with Texas Government Code, Section 551.001, et seq., the Board of Aldermen will recess into Executive Session (closed meeting) to discuss the following:
 - a. § 551.074: Conduct an executive session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074(a) to deliberate the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee, or to hear a complaint or charge against an officer or employee: Employment: Sanoma Adkins, Administrative Assistant, Police Secretary / Deputy Court Clerk

At 7:01 P.M. Executive Session convened into Open Session

12. **RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION** - In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, the City Council will reconvene into Regular Session to consider action, if any, on matters discussed in Executive Session.
Alderman Ballew moved to offer employment to Sonoma Adkins for the position of Administrative Assistant, Police Secretary / Deputy Court Clerk, seconded by Alderman Mathison. Motion carried 5-0.

13. PRESENTATION AND DISCUSSION OF DEPARTMENT HEAD REPORTS:

- Administration – Theresa Prasil, City Administrator
- Courts – Theresa Prasil, City Administrator
- Public Works – Jacob Cowling, Public Works Director
- Police Department – DeWayne Philpott, Chief of Police
- Library – Diane Willis. Librarian
- EDC

Alderman reviewed the received reports.

14. **ANNOUNCEMENTS:** *None*

15. **ADJOURN:** *Mayor Monks adjourned the meeting at 7:05 P.M.*

The meeting adjourned.

The City of Teague,



[Signature]
Theresa Bell, City Secretary / Administrator

[Signature]
James Monks, Mayor

Minutes November 16, 2020 : *[Signature]*