

**MINUTES
CITY OF TEAGUE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
JUNE 19, 2017 6:00 P.M.**

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM IS PRESENT: *The meeting was called to order at 6:03 PM by Alderman Marilyn Michaud, Mayor Pro Tempore and Quorum was announced with all the Aldermen seated at their respective places with Mayor Earnest G. Pack and Alderman Marie Hertenberger absent.*
2. INVOCATION: *Citizen Doris Nealy*
3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: *Alderman Ron Rasbeary*

Alderman Marie Hertenberger entered the meeting at 6:05 PM.

4. VISITORS/CITIZENS COMMENTS: At this time, any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the Agenda may speak to the Council for a maximum of three (3) minutes. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting.
Lois Edwards, resident at 1300 Orange St., expressed her concerns of the toxins in the chemical that is used for mosquito spraying. She has an organic garden and chickens and she feels that the spraying would do harm to her and her farm. She also has concerns about the chemical killing the bees and the health of the community.
Julie Dawson, resident at 520 Maple St., spoke on the medical issues the chemical used to spray for mosquitoes may cause. She spoke of the side effects the CDC has listed regarding the chemical. She also stated that she had done some research and it has been noted that the spraying is not an effective option for killing mosquitoes.
Doris Nealy, resident at 200 Ash St., expressed her concerns on the overgrown areas on North 1st St. and the corner of Maple St. & 3rd St.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve Minutes from the May 15, 2017 Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
- b. Approve Minutes from the May 23, 2017 Special Called Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
- c. Approve the check register for the month of May 2017
- d. Approve Financial Statement for May 2017

Motion to approve the consent agenda was made by Alderman Hertenberger, seconded by Alderman Rasbeary. Motion carried 5-0.

6. OLD BUSINESS: *none*

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. PRESENTATION AND SIGNATURE OF PROCLAMATION DECLARING AUGUST 4 THROUGH AUGUST 6, 2017 AS BOOKER T. WASHINGTON AND J.A. BROOKS SCHOOL WEEKEND IN THE CITY OF TEAGUE:

Members of the Booker T. Washington and J.A. Brooks School came forward and Alderman Michaud read aloud and signed the proclamation declaring August 4 through August 6, 2017 as Booker T. Washington and J.A. Brooks School Weekend in the City of Teague.

- b. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING THE 2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR END AUDIT AND FINDINGS FROM FRANK STEELE, CPA, REPRESENTATIVE FROM ANDERSON, MARX AND BOHL, CERTIFIED PUBLIC ACCOUNTANTS:

Minutes 6/19/2017 Initials: _____



Frank Steele presented the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year End Audit information. He stated that the City of Teague ended the year in good standings even with the decline in economic growth. He also stated that the City was able to bring in and control the expenses to help compensate the decline in sales tax.

Motion to approve the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year End audit and findings from Frank Steele, CPA, Representative from Anderson, Marx and Bohl, Certified Public Accountants was made by Alderman Rasbeary, seconded by Alderman Nickleberry. Motion carried 5-0.

- c. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING RESOLUTION NO: 2017-06-19 WHICH AUTHORIZES THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT FOR ROUTINE AIRPORT MAINTENANCE PROGRAM (RAMP GRANT) AT THE TEAGUE MUNICIPAL AIRPORT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2017, 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:

Motion to approve Resolution No: 2017-06-19 which authorizes the submission of a grant for Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP Grant) at the Teague Municipal Airport for Fiscal Year 2017, 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 was made by Alderman Hertenberger, seconded by Alderman Rasbeary. Motion carried 5-0.

- d. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING RESOLUTION 2017-06-19-2 AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO EXECUTE THE INTERLOCAL PARTICIPATION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF TEAGUE AND THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE (BUY BOARD):

Motion to approve Resolution 2017-06-19-2 and authorize the Mayor to execute the Interlocal Participation Agreement between the City of Teague and the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative (Buy Board) was made by Alderman Rasbeary, seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 5-0.

- e. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING MOSQUITO SPRAYING FOR THE 2017 SEASON WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS:

Alderman Hertenberger presented products, literature and information on alternative products to help repel mosquitoes. She stated as a member of the council she cannot see using other people's money to pay for mosquito spraying that only kills the flying mosquitoes it actually makes contact with. She stated that it is not the City's responsibility to provide those with an entitlement attitude a non-effective way to treat mosquitoes.

Alderman Rasbeary questioned the cost?

Theresa Prasil, City Administrator/Secretary responded with \$749 and explained that the City would still be responsible for the cost of the chemical even if we decide not to spray because the contractor has already purchased it.

Alderman Hertenberger once again expressed her concerns of the negative effect the chemical has on the environment, nature and people.

Alderman Nickleberry stated that the City started spraying about 5-6 years ago after the West Nile Virus was in the direct area.

Motion to permanently do away with Mosquito spraying was made by Alderman Hertenberger, seconded by Alderman Rasbeary. Motion carried 5-0.

Alderman Michaud stated that she has noticed that ever since the pool was filled in the amount of mosquitoes in the area has declined.

- f. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING A SEWER INFRASTRUCTURE REPLACEMENT PROJECT LOCATED IN THE ALLEY BETWEEN THE 800 BLOCK OF PECAN AND WALNUT; AND SELECTING AND APPROVING A CONTRACTOR FOR SAID PROJECT; AND APPROPRIATING THE NECESSARY FUNDS FROM THE FUND RESERVE; AND AMENDING EXPENSE LINE ITEM 05-42-5711 REPAIR: LINE:

Jacob Cowling, Director of Public Works, described the ongoing issue located in the area and stated that the City worked with TRC Engineers to design the repairs that would correct the issue.

Motion to approve the sewer infrastructure replacement project located in the alley between the 800 block of Pecan and Walnut; and selecting and approving Duplichain Contractors as the contractor; and appropriating \$19,810.00 from the Fund Reserve; and amending expense line item 05-42-5711 Repair: Line for \$19,810.00 was made by Alderman Rasbeary, seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 5-0.

- g. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING ELECTRICAL REPAIRS TO THE CITY LAKE PIER; AND APPROPRIATING \$3,030.00 FROM THE FUND RESERVE; AND AMENDING EXPENSE LINE ITEM 03-48-5916 CITY LAKE: PIER AND REPAIRS:

Jacob Cowling, Public Works Director, stated that the lights are not currently working at the pier and it appears the installation of the lights was not done correctly by previous contractor.

Alderman Rasbeary asked if B and B Dirt Construction hired a master electrician to perform the work.

Theresa Prasil, City Administrator/Secretary, responded that she was unable to locate any records indicating B and B Dirt Construction subcontracted the project out to a master electrician.

Motion to approve electrical repairs to the City Lake Pier; and appropriating \$3,030.00 from the Fund Reserve; and amending expense line item 03-48-5916 City Lake: Pier and Repairs in the amount of \$3,030.00 was made by Alderman Rasbeary, seconded by Alderman Mims. Motion carried 5-0.

- h. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING THE INSTALLATION OF 4 NEW LIGHTS TO EXISTING POLES LOCATED AT THE NEIL WALKER AND THOMAS BASEBALL FIELDS; AND APPROPRIATING \$4,405.00 FROM THE FUND RESERVE; AND AMENDING EXPENSE LINE ITEM 03-48-5948 BASEBALL FIELD REPAIRS:

Theresa Prasil, City Administrator/Secretary, stated that the City was approached by the Baseball Association about installing lights on 2 light poles, that the EDC did not do with their previous project, at the Neil Walker Field.

Alderman Nickleberry expressed the need for the lights because it is very dark at the field.

Alderman Michaud questioned why the EDC would not install the lights since they are the ones who did the light project.

Theresa Prasil responded that Bill Elliot, EDC Director, stated that the EDC provided as many lights as they were able with the amount of money the EDC Board approved 2 years ago.

Motion to approve the installation of 4 new lights to the existing poles located at the Neil Walker Baseball Fields; and appropriating \$4,405.00 from the Fund Reserve; and amending expense line item 03-48-5948 Baseball Field Repairs for \$4,405.00 was made by Alderman Rasbeary, seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 5-0.

At 6:56 PM Open Session convened into Executive Session

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION: *"The City Council for the City of Teague reserves the right to adjourn into executive session at any time during the course of the meeting to discuss any of the matters listed above, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney); 551.072 (Deliberation and Real Property); 551.073 (Deliberations about Gifts and Donations); 551.074 (Personnel Matters); 551.076 (Deliberations about Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development)."*

- Conduct employment interview with Lance Kamp, applicant for Assistant Public Works Director. **551.074 (Personnel Matters)**

9. OPEN SESSION: *At 7:20 PM Executive Session Adjourned into Open Session.*

10. TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY ON TOPICS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION: *Motion to hire Lance Kamp as the Assistant Public Works Director at \$20.00 an hour was made by Alderman Rasbeary, seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 5-0.*

11. ADJOURNMENT: *At 7:21 PM motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Nickleberry, seconded by Alderman Rasbeary. Motion carried 5-0.*

The meeting adjourned.

The City of Teague,




Theresa Prasil, City Secretary / Administrator


Marilyn Michaud, Mayor Pro Tempore

