

**THE CITY OF CISCO
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING
August 8, 2016**

**CISCO, TEXAS §
EASTLAND, COUNTY §**

The City Council of the City of Cisco met in a regular called *session* at the Cisco City Hall in Cisco as scheduled, and notice was posted 72 hours in advance and prior to the meeting.

MEMBERS PRESENT:

MAYOR	JAMES KING
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE II	DENNIS CAMPBELL
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE III	WILLARD JOHNSON
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE IV	RANDY BOLES
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE V	TAMMY DOUGLAS
COUNCILMEMBER PLACE VI	PHILIP GREEN

PERSONNEL PRESENT:

CITY MANAGER	DARWIN ARCHER
CITY SECRETARY	TAMMY OSBORNE

PERSONNEL ABSENT:

COUNCILMEMBER PLACE I	JASON WEGER
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Guests: Fred Aycock, Sam Guthrie, Mike McClure, Vicki Johnson, Del Brandt, Dixie Courtney, Tom Purcell, Barbara Purcell, Robbin Seabourn, Stephen Forester, Annette Dunning, Helen Boles

I. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER:

Mayor King called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

II. PLEDGES

- A. Pledge of Allegiance
- B. Pledge to the Texas Flag

III. INVOCATION:

Councilmember Green gave the invocation.

IV. CITIZEN-VISITOR COMMENTS:

Mr. Fred Aycock addressed the Council regarding the No Wake rule at the lake. He offered his assistance in any endeavors the Council decided to take in opening the lake to recreational activities.

Mr. Tom Purcell also addressed the Council regarding the lack of public restrooms at the lake. He has concerns about sanitation and provided the Council with photos of a make-shift toilet that had washed up on his property. He suggested placing port-a-potties at the point or even considering placing permanent restroom facilities for campers and lake goers. If these options were not viable, he further suggested closing the lake to camping. He went on to express the opinion that the No Wake designation should stay in place until all homes are no longer in danger of being damaged by water.

V. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED:

July 25, 2016

Motion was made by Councilmember Green to accept the minutes as presented, second was made by Councilmember Boles. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Weger

VI. THE CITY COUNCIL MAY DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION ON ANY OF THE FOLLOWING AGENDA ITEMS:

A. Consider and Discuss Eastland County Crisis Center Contracts.—Robbin Seabourn

Mrs. Seabourn presented the contracts to the Council and provided information on the Center's activities and services.

Motion was made by Councilmember Campbell to accept the contracts as presented, second was made by Councilmember Douglas. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Weger

B. Consider and Discuss Resolution No. 0216-08-08

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, APPROVING AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TEXAS CAPITAL FUND PROGRAM.

Mayor King explained that the purpose of the resolution was to apply for funding to pave E. 18th Street.

Motion was made by Councilmember Green to accept resolution as presented, second was made by Councilmember Boles. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Weger

C. Consider and Discuss Daily Water Usage Since Adoption of Stage 3 Water Restrictions Variance.

Mayor King explained that he had requested from Mr. Archer the usage numbers since the variance had been granted to ensure that it wasn't over taxing the portable water treatment plant. The numbers provided by Mr. Archer show that the city is using between 400,000 and 700,000 gallons of water per day. Since the portable water treatment plant seems to be meeting usage needs, the Council needs to discuss whether to grant an additional variance to the Stage 3 Water Restrictions or consider moving to Stage 2 Water Restrictions. Councilmember Boles commented that he would like to see the restrictions lessened to some degree based on complaints he has received from citizens regarding concerns for cracking foundations. The Council discussed at length what would be an appropriate variance to the Stage 3 restrictions that would allow citizens to utilize water for more than just household use without over taxing the system.

Motion was made by Councilmember Douglas to amend the current variance to Stage 3 Water Restrictions to include the hours of 6-8 a.m. in each particular zone and to allow car washes to operate on Saturdays as well, second was made by Councilmember Campbell. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, Johnson, Douglas, King
Nays: Green, Boles/Motion Carries
Voted: 4 to 2
Absent: Weger

Motion was made by Councilmember Boles to change watering time on Stage 3 Water Restrictions variance from 10:00-midnight to 8-10 p.m., second was made by Councilmember Campbell. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green
Nays: King/Motion Carries
Voted: 5 to 1
Absent: Weger

D. Consider and Discuss Amending Stage 3 Water Restrictions Variance.

This item was covered in the above item.

E. Consider and Discuss No Wake Designation at Lake Cisco.

Mayor King opened discussion by saying that he was opposed to changing the no wake designation or opening the lake to recreational activities until all homes are out of flooding danger. Councilmember Campbell agreed with the Mayor's assessment. Mr. Lloyd Houghton spoke from the gallery saying that many docks were barely attached and could break free fairly easily. Mrs. Purcell added that there were many underwater hazards that should be taken into account as well as they could be dangerous to boaters.

Motion was made by Councilmember Green to prohibit motorized vehicles on the lake until all homes were out of danger from flooding, second was made by Councilmember Boles. The vote was as follows:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Boles, Green
Nays: Douglas, King, Campbell Johnson/Motion Does Not Carry
Voted: 2 to 4
Absent: Weger

Councilmember Campbell felt this measure was too restrictive and Councilmember Boles felt it was too difficult to enforce without the use of the Police Department boat. Mayor King inquired as to the status of the boat repair and Mr. Archer said that he was still waiting for the insurance to make an assessment of the damage. Councilmember Johnson asked about the fine for violating the 'no wake' provision and Mayor King said up to \$500.00. Councilmember Johnson suggested adding that to the sign at the lake. The Council made no further action on this item and the lake continues as a No Wake lake.

F. Consider and Discuss Selection of Bond Counsel for Water Improvements Project.

Mayor King explained that one submission had been received from McCall, Parkhurst, & Horton

Motion was made by Councilmember Campbell to select McCall, Parkhurst, & Horton as Bond Counsel, second was made by Councilmember Johnson. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Weger

G. Consider and Discuss Closing Tourist Street Between Hopwood Street and Bedford Street to Through Traffic.

Mr. Archer explained that this street was mostly already closed to through traffic and this item was a matter of housekeeping for an official closure.

Motion was made by Councilmember Boles to close Tourist Street between Hopwood Street and Bedford Street, second was made by Councilmember Green. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Weger

H. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning.

Mr. Archer informed the Council that the city will have a FEMA Kickoff meeting on Wednesday, 8/10/16, to begin the process of FEMA reimbursing flood expenses.

Mr. Archer also brought the Council up to date on upcoming street projects.

Mayor King attended a Dam Safety Workshop and learned about programs for future dam rehabilitation.

Councilmember Green mentioned the Laguna Hotel grant being awarded and Mayor King added that the project would take around two years to complete.

Mayor King also reminded the Council of the upcoming budget workshop that will take place on Monday, August 15, 2016 and encouraged all that could to attend.

Councilmember Boles brought up the Back to School Bash at Mountain Top Church being held August 21, 2016 and asked the Council to revisit an agenda item regarding providing a water variance to the church for that event.

The Council returned to item D. Consider and Discuss Amending Stage 3 Water Restrictions Variance.

Motion was made by Councilmember Johnson to allow Mountain Top Church to use water for the Back to School Bash from 3:00 p.m. to 6:00 p.m. on August 21, 2016, second was made by Councilmember Campbell. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 6 to 0
Absent: Weger

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Boles to adjourn, second made by Councilmember Johnson. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 7:03 p.m.

ATTEST:

Tammy Osborne, City Secretary

James King, Mayor
