

**MINUTES
CITY OF TEAGUE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING
NOVEMBER 21, 2016 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 Earnest G. Pack, Mayor and quorum was announced with all members present and seated at their respective places, except for Alderman Mims and Alderman Nickleberry being absent.*
2. INVOCATION: Alderman Rasbeary
3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Alderman Hertenberger
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.

Jack Hansel, 713 Oak Street Teague, Texas, inquired about the safety of the City's drinking water due to the Notice of Water Violation letter he received in the mail. Gus Ramirez, Public Work's Director, responded with explanation of the samples needed were not completed correctly due to the lack of the samples not being obtained from the well site. Gus also offered to take a water sample from Mr. Hansel's residence in which Mr. Hansel agreed to.

AT 6:07pm Alderman Mims entered the meeting.

5. CONSENT AGENDA:
 - a. Approve Minutes from the October 17, 2016 Regular Meeting of the Board of Aldermen
 - b. Approve the check register for the month of October, 2016
 - c. Approve Financial Statement for October, 2016
 - d. Approve the Investment Report for the month of October, 2016
 - e. Authorize Earnest G. Pack, Mayor to execute the Economic Development Agreement between the City of Teague, Texas and Teague Ventures(Sonic) approved by the Board of Aldermen on April 18, 2016.
Motion to approve all the above was made by Alderman Rasbeary seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 4-0.

6. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

7. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ACCEPTING A DONATION IN THE AMOUNT OF \$694.41 FROM BILL MAY, WHICH REPRESENTS THE PROCEEDS RAISED FROM THE HOOTENANNY FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S CANINE AND OFFICER TRAINING:
Motion to approve accepting the donation from Bill May was made by Alderman Rasbeary seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 4-0

Bill May presented Dan Ramsey, Chief of Police, with a check in the amount of \$694.41 from the proceeds raised from the Hootenanny.

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- b. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ACCEPTING A DONATION OF PROPERTY LOCATED AT 403 MAIN STREET, (BLOCK 93 LOTS 21 & 22) FROM TOMMY AND MARTHA NEALE, DBA PHARMACY PLUS AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTIONS TO COMPLETE THE TRANSACTION:

Dan Ramsey, Chief of Police, spoke in regards to the benefits of how the parking lot will provide ample parking for down town.

Motion to accept the donation of property located at 403 Main Street from Tommy and Martha Neale, DBA Pharmacy Plus and authorizing the City Administrator to take any necessary action to complete the transaction to include obtaining an appraisal of the property was made by Alderman Hertenberger seconded by Alderman Rasbeary. Motion carried 4-0.

- c. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON SELLING THE OLD CITY HALL BUILDING AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTIONS TO COMPLETE THE TRANSACTION:

Mayor Pack stated that there have been people who have approached the City interested in the Old City Hall Building.

Motion to authorize the City Administrator to obtain a survey and appraisal of the Old City Hall Building was made by Alderman Rasbeary seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion Carried 4-0.

- d. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION TO FILL THE OLD SWIMMING POOL, AUTHORIZE B & B DIRT CONSTRUCTION TO PERFORM THE WORK, APPROPRIATE SAID FUNDS FROM THE RESERVE AND AMEND THE 2016-2017 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET IN THE AMOUNT OF \$4,500.00 FOR SAID EXPENSE, AND AUTHORIZE THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY TO COMPLETE THE TRANSACTION:

Alderman Hertenberger expressed her concerns on the sudden rush of filling in the pool. Alderman Mims questioned why B and B Dirt Construction was listed as the contractor to perform task. Mayor Pack responded that if any other company would like to turn in a bid to turn them into City Hall as soon as possible.

Motion to approve filling in the swimming pool was made by Alderman Rasbeary and seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 3-1. Alderman Hertenberger voting no.

- e. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO APPLY FOR TWO SEPERATE GRANTS THROUGH TEXAS PARKS AND WILDLIFE AND TO PERFORM ALL TASKS ASSOCIATED WITH THE GRANT APPLICATION AND EMPLOY HEARTLAND PARKS AND RECREATION TO ASSIST IN OBTAINING SAID GRANT:

- Grant for Splash Pad 50/50 Match
- Grant for lighted walking trail 80/20 Match

Motion to authorize the city administrator to apply for two separate grants through Texas Parks and Wildlife and to perform all tasks associated with the grant application and contract Heartland Parks and Recreation to assist in obtaining said grant was made by Alderman Rasbeary seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 4-0

- f. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AUTHORIZING THE DEVELOPMENT OF A FACEBOOK PAGE FOR ANIMAL CONTROL:

Motion to authorize the development of a Facebook page for Animal Control was made by Alderman Hertenberger seconded by Alderman Mims. Motion Carried 4-0.

- g. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ADVERTISE FOR A FULL TIME PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR:

Motion to authorize the city administrator to advertise for a full time Public Works Director was made by Alderman Rasbeary seconded by Hertenberger. Motion carried 4-0

- h. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING ORDINANCE NO. 2016-11-21 AMENDING CHAPTER 6, BY AMENDING ARTICLE 6.300 SECTION 6.301 "DEFINITIONS" TO REVISE DEFINITIONS AND PROVIDE ADDITIONAL DEFINITIONS; AMENDING SECTION 6.303 "ACCUMULATION OF RUBBISH OR BRUSH PROHIBITED" TO PROHIBIT ACCUMULATION AND DEPOSITING OF GRASS CLIPPINGS, BRUSH AND OTHER REFUSE IN OR ON PRIVATE OR PUBLIC PROPERTY; PROVIDING FOR A PENALTY OF UP TO TWO THOUSAND DOLLARS PER VIOLATION, PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

Alderman Rasbeary questioned the effects of said ordinance would have on compost piles that are not in containers. City Attorney responded this ordinance does not change the current ordinance pertaining to compost piles. Alderman Hertenberger stated that the City needs a truck that goes around once a month or once a season that picks up stuff and that she does not have a problem with the amending ordinance but she has a problem with the current ordinance. Mayor Pack stated that we are going to break one of the rules and allow comments from the audience at which time Claire Taylor, 19 Mimosa Ln., asked if she would be liable if she hired someone to mow her lawn and they blew the cuttings in the road. Alderman Hertenberger responded it would be your responsibility to notify them not to do that. Mrs. Conkling, member of Eighth Ave Baptist Church, expressed her concerns for the elderly residence of Teague and the financial burden it would put on them if they had to pay someone every time they had trash or clippings gather in their yards. Police Chief Ramsey suggested that the City check into the option of going around and picking up limbs and trash once a month. Mayor Pack agreed this was a good idea. Alderman Michaud also stated this would be a great idea after massive storms when limbs are blown. Mayor Pack stated we could ask Judy to check into the pricing of having Metro Sanitation to providing such services.

Motion to table approving Ordinance No. 2016-11-21 Amending Chapter 6 until a future meeting was made by Alderman Hertenberger seconded by Alderman Mims. Motion carried 4-0.

City Attorney asked if there are any specific instruction you want her to work on. Alderman Rasbeary stated he wanted Judy to check with waste company to see how much it would cost for them to come by once a month or 2 or 3 months a year and come around and pick up limbs and stuff people put out. Alderman Hertenberger asked if the City has a dump truck and she can remember when all employees including office staff worked on Saturdays picking up these kinds of things from the residence in Teague. Mayor Pack ask Judy to check into the options for picking up trash and limbs from around town and to try to see what we need to include in this ordinance.

- i. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AUTHORIZING THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO DISCUSS THE IMPLEMENTATION OF A 2017-2018 SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO) PROGRAM WITH THE TEAGUE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (TISD) AND PRESENT A JOINT PLAN FOR IMPLEMENTATION OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO) PROGRAM TO THE BOARD OF ALDERMAN:

Police Chief Ramsey explained that Judy, City Administrator, and himself attended a meeting with Teague ISD's Superintendent Dr. Carmen where Aldermen Nickleberry was also present to discuss ways to better communicate between School Resource Officer and the Teague Police Department. At said meeting it was inquired if the City would be interested in providing the School Resource Officer. Chief Ramsey stated he had Theresa, the keeper of the books, to assist in completing a spreadsheet which illustrated Teague ISD would be responsible for 75% of the cost of the officer due to the officer would be working at the schools for 75% of the year and the City would be responsible for 25% of the cost and the officer would be utilized within the City's department for the remaining 25% of the year. Alderman Hertenberger responded I thought that was a better plan anyway.

Motion to authorize the City Administrator and the Chief of Police to discuss the implementation of a 2017-2018 School Resource Officer (SRO) program with the Teague Independent School District (TISD) and present a joint plan for implementation of School Resource Officer (SRO) program was made by Alderman Rasbeary seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 4-0.

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AT 7:10 P.M. the Open Meeting 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)."

- Consultation with Attorney to discuss personnel evaluations and possible actions. **551.071 (Consultation with Attorney)**
- Discussion and possible action on conducting a yearly evaluation on Judy Keally, City Administrator/City Secretary. **551.074 (Personnel Matters)**
- Receive evaluation summary from the City Administrator/City Secretary on evaluations conducted on the Administrative staff, Dan Ramsey, Chief of Police, Gus Ramirez, Public Works Director, Diane Willis, Librarian and Matt Stentz, Code Enforcement /Animal Control Officer. **551.074 (Personnel Matters)**
- Discussion and possible action on receiving the results of a performance evaluation conducted by the Public Works Director on Crew Leader Jerry Jones. **551.074 (Personnel Matters)**

9. OPEN SESSION: At 8:43P.M. Executive Session closed and the Open Meeting reconvened.

10. TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY ON TOPICS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Motion to place Jerry Jones, Crew Leader, on 6-month probation and instruct the Public Works Director, City Administrator and City Attorney to come up with a personal improvement plan and remedial training in water and sewer and have it completed and presented to Mr. Jones within 2 weeks was made by Alderman Rasbeary seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 4-0.

11. ADJOURNMENT: At 8:55 P.M. a motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Rasbeary seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion Carried 4-0.


Judy Keally, City Secretary/Adm.




Earnest G. Pack, Mayor

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