

MINUTES
CITY OF TEAGUE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING MAY 18, 2015 6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER AND ANNOUNCE QUORUM IS PRESENT: *The meeting was called to order at 6:02 P.M. and Quorum was announced with the following Aldermen at their respective places. Alderman Rasbeary, Place 2, Alderman Hertenberger, Place 3, Alderman Nickleberry, Place 4, Alderman Michaud, Place 5. Absent was Greg Johnson.*

2. INVOCATION: Alderman Nickleberry

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: Alderman Rasbeary

4. City Secretary administers the Oath of Office to the unopposed Board of Aldermen from the May 10, 2015 Municipal Election for the following places:

- Ron Rasbeary, Alderman Place 2
 - Chris Nickleberry, Alderman Place 4
 - Marilyn Michaud, Alderman Place 5
- City Secretary administered the Anti Bribery Statement and the Oath of Office to the above unopposed elected candidates.*

5. 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. *None*

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve Minutes from the Regular Meeting on April 20, 2015
- b. Approve the check register for the month of April, 2015
- c. Ratify the Administrative Directive given to Dennis Cox, Chief of Police dated May 18, 2015 which discusses the procedure for camera uses and other Police equipment in the Police Department and City Hall.
- d. Ratify the Exhibit "A" titled Supplement to the Agreement for Street Lighting Service by and between Oncor Electric Delivery Company and the City of Teague Dated 05/08/2015 and Exhibit "B" Request for Street Lighting Service which will add an additional six (6) more electric poles and lights at the 8th Ave City Park.

Motion was made by Alderman Rasbeary and seconded by Alderman Hertenberger to move Consent Agenda item C to Executive Session. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion was by Alderman Rasbeary and seconded by Alderman Hertenberger to approve Consent Agenda items a, b and d. Motion carried 4-0.

7. OLD BUSINESS: NONE

8. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON CREATING AND APPROVING AN AGREEMENT WITH THE TEAGUE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT TO CREATE A NEW POSITION IN THE TEAGUE POLICE DEPARTMENT FOR THE POSITION OF SCHOOL RESOURCE OFFICER (SRO) FOR THE TEAGUE INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT (TISD):

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Motion was made by Alderman Rasbeary and seconded by Alderman Hertenberger to not approve a School Resource Officer SRO) for the Teague Independent School District (TISD) through the Teague Police Department. Motion carried 4-0.

- b. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING ORDINANCE No. 2015-05-18
AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ARTICLE 2.900 OF CHAPTER 2 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES, CITY OF TEAGUE, TEXAS, PERTAINING TO DANGEROUS WILD ANIMALS; AND AMENDING ARTICLE 8.700 OF CHAPTER 8 PERTAINING TO JUNKED VEHICLES RESPECTIVELY; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH; PROVIDING FOR PENALTIES FOR VIOLATIONS THEREOF; PROVIDING A SAVING CLAUSE PROVIDING FOR INCLUSION IN THE CODE; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

Motion was made by Alderman Nickleberry and seconded by Alderman Rasbeary to approve the above Ordinance No. 2015-05-18. Motion carried 4-0.

- c. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON INSTRUCTING THE CHIEF OF POLICE TO SUSPEND THE POLICE DEPARTMENT'S FACEBOOK PAGE UNTIL THE CITY ATTORNEY HAS GIVEN THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR AND THE MAYOR PROPER POLICIES AND PROCEDURES APPLICABLE TO IMPLEMENT A SOCIAL MEDIA PAGE FOR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO LIMIT THE POTENTIAL LIABILITY FOR THE CITY OF TEAGUE:

Motion was made by Alderman Rasbeary and seconded by Alderman Hertenberger to instruct the Chief of Police to suspend the Police Department Facebook page until the proper policies procedures and internal controls can be established for a Social Media page written by the City Attorney and submitted to the City Administrator for review and further submitted to the Board of Alderman for final review and approval. Motion carried 4-0.

- d. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AMENDING THE SAFETY POLICY MANUAL TO INCLUDE A CONFINED SPACE POLICY FOR CITY EMPLOYEES:

Motion was made by Alderman Rasbeary and seconded by Alderman Hertenberger to approve the Amendment to the Safety Policy Manual to include the Confined Space Policy. Motion carried 4-0.

- e. DIRECTORS REPORTS FOR REVIEW:

- Judy Keally, City Administrator/City Secretary
- Gus Ramirez, Public Works Director
- Dennis Cox, Chief of Police
- William Elliott, EDC Director
- Diane Willis, Librarian

Alderman Michaud commented to Gus Ramirez that as a citizen she would like him to convey to his employees that she appreciates the job they are doing and to tell them "thanks for a job well done".

AT 6:40 P.M. the Open Meeting convened into Executive Session.

9. 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 interview with Robert Cross, Police Officer applicant (LGC551.074 Personnel Matters)
- Review and discuss matters pertaining to the Teague Police Department and the performance of Dennis Cox, Chief of Police (LGC 551.074 Personnel matters)

10. OPEN SESSION: At 8:47 P.M. Open Meeting reconvened.

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

Motion was made by Alderman Rasbeary and seconded by Alderman Michaud to hire Robert Cross as a Police Officer at the hourly rate of \$16.50. Motion carried 4-0.

12. RECEIVE BOARD OF ALDERMEN COMMENTS:

13. ADJOURNMENT: AT 8:55 P.M. a motion to Adjourn was made by Alderman Rasbeary and seconded by Alderman Nickleberry. Motion carried 4-0.



Judy Keally
 Judy Keally, City Adm/Secretary

The City of Teague,

Ernest G. Pack
 Ernest G. Pack, Mayor

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