

MINUTES
CITY OF TEAGUE
BOARD OF ALDERMEN
REGULAR MEETING SEPTEMBER 21, 2015 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 Alderman Rasbeary, Mayor Pro Tempore and quorum was announced. The Aldermen were seated at their respective places with the except for the following. Absent were Earnest G. Pack, Mayor and Alderman Nickleberry, Place 4.*

2. INVOCATION: *Jerry Jones, Assistant Public Works Director*

3. PLEDGE TO THE FLAG: *Alderman Johnson*

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.*

Kim Kennedy spoke about the crime watch group. Dustin Carpenter stated that he wanted to see Sergeant Foree made Commander in Chief of the Police Department.

5. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON A PRESENTATION GIVEN BY BRIAN GAUGLER, REGIONAL SALES MANAGER, FOR COPSYNC TO PRESENT A NEW POLICE DEPARTMENT AND MUNICIPAL COURT PROGRAM TO BE PURCHASED IN THE NEW 2015-2016 BUDGET:

Brian Gaugler, representative from COPSINC made a presentation on the program.

Motion to approve and purchase the COPSINC program in the new 2015-2016 Budget year was made by Alderman Johnson seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 4-0.

6. CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve Regular Minutes from the August 17, 2015 Meeting of the City Council
- b. Approve Workshop Minutes from the August 6, 2015 Budget Workshop.
- c. Approve the Minutes from the Special Called Meeting August 6, 2015
- d. Approve the Minutes from the Special Called Meeting dated August 22, 2015
- e. Review Financial Statement for August, 2015
- f. Approve the check register for the month of August, 2015
- g. Accept and ratify the resignation of Anthony Weathers in the Public Works Department effective September 18, 2015

Motion to approve all of the above was made by Alderman Hertenberger and seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 4-0.

7. OLD BUSINESS: *None*



8. NEW BUSINESS:

- a. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN ACCEPTING AND APPROVING A \$1,000 DONATION FROM ENBRIDGE TOWARDS THE PURCHASE OF NEW POLICE VESTS.

Motion to accept and approve the above donation was made by Alderman Hertenberger and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Motion carried 4-0.

- b. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON AMENDING THE 2014-2015 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING EXPENDITURES:

- Additional \$25,000 to pay for the construction of a new pier with railings and lights at the Teague City Lake
- \$80,000 to purchase 2 new vehicles for the police department

Motion to approve the above Budget Amendments was made by Alderman Michaud and seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 4-0.

- c. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING ORDINANCE AMENDMENT No. 2015-09-21 FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OF 2014-2015 BUDGET AMENDMENTS:

Motion to approve the above Budget Amendments was made by Alderman Hertenberger and seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 4-0.

- d. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ADOPTING THE 2015-2016 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET AND APPROVING ORDINANCE NO. 2015-09-21 (2)

- PUBLIC HEARING ON 2015-2016 BUDGET

Public Hearing opened at 6:42 P.M.

Public Hearing closed at 6:45 P.M.

After the Budget Hearing closed a motion was made to adopt the 2015-2016 Budget as presented and approve Ordinance 2015-09-21 (2) by Alderman Hertenberger and seconded by Alderman Johnson. Motion carried 4-0.

- e. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON ADOPTING AND RATIFYING THE FOLLOWING 2015-2016 TAX RATES FOR THE CITY OF TEAGUE AND APPROVING RESOLUTION No. 2015-09-21:

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| • Property Tax Rate: | 0.724506/\$100 |
| • Effective Tax Rate: | 0.724506/\$100 |
| • Effective Maintenance & Operations Tax Rate: | 0.574419/\$100 |
| • Debt Rate/ Interest and Sinking | 0.150087/\$100 |
| • Rollback Rate | 0.767602/\$100 |

- PUBLIC HEARING ON 2015-2016 TAX RATE

Public Hearing opened at 6:42 P.M.

Public Hearing closed at 6:45 P.M.

Motion was made by Alderman Johnson and seconded by Alderman Hertenberger to adopt the 2015-2016 Maintenance and Operations Tax Rate of .574419/\$100 and the Debt Rate/Interest and Sinking Rate of .150087/\$100 of property evaluation and approve Resolution No. 2015-09-21 which adopts and ratifies the said rate. Motion carried 4-0.

- f. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING A \$26,000 EDC EXPENSE FOR THE SONIC DRIVEWAY LOCATED ON TXDOT RIGHT OF WAY:
Motion to approve a \$26,000.00 EDC expense for the Sonic Driveway was made by Alderman Johnson and seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 4-0.
- g. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING THE 2015-2016 EDC BUDGET:
Motion to approve the EDC Budget with removing the \$225,000.00 Transfer from Reserve and taking out the \$301,000.00 in Unfunded Projects was made by Alderman Rasbeary and seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 4-0.
- h. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE NOMINATION OF INDIVIDUALS FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTOR MEMBERS OF THE FREESTONE CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT:
Motion to approve the above Resolution was made by Alderman Hertenberger and seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 4-0.
- i. DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE ACTION ON APPROVING DECLARATION FOR ENCROACHMENTS ON RIGHT OF WAY OF THE CITY OF TEAGUE, FREESTONE COUNTY, TEXAS FOR PROPERTY OWNED BY JEFF AND AMANDA STEEN COMMONLY KNOWN AS 700 MAPLE STREET, TEAGUE TEXAS:
Motion to table this item was made by Alderman Rasbeary and seconded by Alderman Hertenberger. Motion carried 4-0.

AT 7:05 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)."*

- Discussion and possible action on request from Jerry Jones, Assistant Public Works Director, requesting certification pay in addition to receiving Assistant Public Works Director pay (551.074)
- Discussion and possible action on requested back certification pay from Gus Ramirez, Public Works Director (551.074)
- Discussion and possible action on evaluating the performance and possible termination of Justin Grissett, employee in the Public Works Department. (551.074)
- Discussion and possible action on promoting Marcus Mason, Police Officer to the rank of Sergeant.(551.074)
- Discussion and possible action on approving Patricia Lawrence to the EDC Board of Directors. (551.087)
- Discussion and possible action on approving Mark Smith to the EDC Board of Directors. (551.087)

10. OPEN SESSION: *At 7:59 P.M. the Open Meeting reconvened.*

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

Motion was made by Alderman Michaud seconded by Alderman Hertenberger to approve Gus Ramirez's certification pay. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion was made by Alderman Rasbeary to terminate Justin Grissett due to his inability to come to work on time. Motion failed due to a lack of a second.

Motion was made by Alderman Hertenberger and seconded by Alderman Michaud to promote Officer Marcus Mason to the rank of Sergeant at the rate of \$20.50 per hour. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion was made by Alderman Johnson seconded by Alderman Hertenberger to approve the appointment of Patricia Lawrence to the EDC Board of Directors. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion to table the appointment of Mark Smith to the EDC Board of Directors since there this only one vacancy at the present time. Motion carried 4-0.

12. DIRECTORS REPORTS FOR REVIEW

- Judy Keally, City Administrator/City Secretary
- Matt Foree, Interim Chief of Police
- Jerry Jones, Assistant Public Works Director
- William Elliott, EDC Director
- Diane Willis, Librarian
- Matt Stentz, Animal Control and Code Enforcement

13. ADJOURNMENT: *At 8:15 P.M. a Motion to adjourn was made by Alderman Hertenberger seconded by Alderman Michaud. Motion carried 4-0.*

At 8:15 P.M. the meeting adjourned.



Judy Keally
Judy Keally, City Secretary/Administrator

The City of Teague,

Ron Rasbeary
Ron Rasbeary, Mayor Pro Tempore

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