

**THE CITY OF CISCO
CITY COUNCIL, REGULAR CALLED MEETING
February 13, 2017**

**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 I	JASON WEGER
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:

Guests: Butch Petree, Kyle Wilks, Carolyn Elmore, Peggy Ledbetter, Raymond Threet

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. Raymond Threet addressed the Council regarding a ride share service he has started locally catering mostly to stranded motorists on Interstate 20. He wants to ensure he is acting within all City Ordinances.

V. APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING CONDUCTED:

January 23, 2017

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: Weger, Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 7 to 0
Absent:

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

A. Consider and Discuss Voy Wilks Baseball Park Water Usage.—Kyle Wilks

Mayor King indicated that as President of the Recreation Association, he would neither participate in the conversation nor vote on any actions. Mr. Kyle Wilks discussed with the Council the watering of the new baseball fields. In the beginning, an agreement had been made between the Recreation Association and the City to provide water free of charge to the baseball fields as they would be used and enjoyed by a majority of the community. He understands that the flood severely limited water resources, but now that the situation has been somewhat stabilized, he would like to see the city begin to honor that agreement again and look at the baseball fields as a city asset. Councilmember Campbell inquired as to how much water was used when the fields were watered using hauled water. Mr. Wilks estimated around 40,000 gallons every two weeks. He went on to say that he feels 40,000 gallons per month would be sufficient to keep the fields alive and able to be used by the baseball and softball leagues this summer. Discussion continued regarding usage and watering schedules. Mr. Archer suggested that if the Council did grant water usage to the baseball fields, he feels the usage should be monitored and the decision revisited in 60 days.

Motion was made by Councilmember Campbell to allow a 60 day watering trial for the Voy Wilks Baseball Park beginning on March 1, 2017 at a maximum of 40,000 gallons per month and re-evaluated at the first meeting in May, second was made by Councilmember Green. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

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

B. Consider and Discuss Resolution No. 2017-01-23

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, APPROVING APPLICATION FOR GRANT ASSISTANCE FOR THE PURCHASE OF TWO POLICE DEPARTMENT VEHICLES.

Mr. Archer indicated that the documentation provided to the Council now reflected accurate numbers for the cost of the vehicles, what the city would pay and the grants funds the city would receive. The city's portion was budgeted, albeit in different line items, however the amount of grant funds we will receive was lessened by around \$15,000.00.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 7 to 0
Absent:

C. Consider and Discuss Ordinance 0-2017-1

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CISCO, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 13 "MOTOR VEHICLES AND TRAFFIC" OF THE CITY'S CODE OF ORDINANCES, SPECIFICALLY SECTION 13-52 "SPECIFIC ZONES ESTABLISHED" TO INCLUDE "ATTACHMENT A" ILLUSTRATING PARKING DESIGNATIONS IN THE DOWNTOWN BUSINESS DISTRICT; REPEALING SECTION 13.53 "PARKING TIME LIMITS ESTABLISHED"; AND ADDING SECTION 13-57 "VIOLATIONS; PENALTY"; AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE OF ENFORCEMENT. (First Reading)

Mr. Archer explained that several new downtown businesses had contacted him regarding the downtown parking and he felt it would be beneficial to designate all parking downtown.

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

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 7 to 0
Absent:

D. Consider and Discuss Renewal of AirMed Contract.

Mr. Archer explained that if we wanted to terminate the contract, we would need to contact the company in writing 60 days in advance so the Council would need to decide to renew or not. The Council discussed the benefits of the service and also if awareness could be raised in some way to let citizens know about the service. The City Secretary will contact AirMed about doing a direct mailing to utility customers. Since the contract is self-renewing, no action was taken on this item,

E. Consider and Discuss Lake Bernie Grass Lease.

Mr. Archer commented that the current lease expires at the end of February and the Council would need to decide to go out for bids to re-lease the property.

Motion was made by Councilmember Green to go out for bids on the Lake Bernie Grass lease with an increased minimum bid amount of \$1,400.00, second was made by Councilmember Campbell. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 7 to 0
Absent:

F. Consider and Discuss City Secretary Evaluation. (Executive Session)

The Council retired into Executive Session at 7:09 p.m. under Section 551.074 Personnel Matters.

G. Consider and Discuss City Manager Evaluation. (Executive Session)

The Council continued in Executive Session on this item.

The Council reconvened into Regular Session at 8:13 p.m.

Motion was made by Councilmember Weger to raise City Manager salary as previously budgeted, second was made by Councilmember Boles. Motion prevailed by the following vote:

Ayes: Councilmembers: Weger, Campbell, Johnson, Boles, Douglas, Green, King
Nays: None/Motion Carries
Voted: 7 to 0
Absent:

H. Consider and Discuss Street Projects Update.

Mr. Archer brought the Council up to date on the street projects that were included in an assessment by FEMA for damage done during the flooding event.

No action was taken on this item.

I. Consider and Discuss Water Treatment Plant Update.

Mr. Archer continued updating the Council regarding the Water Treatment Plant. He said a new location had been chosen for the critical infrastructure that would not necessitate the use of eminent domain or have to be acquired by other means as it was already owned by the city. He feels this location will be adequate to mitigate any hazard to property or employees.

No action was taken on this item.

J. Consider and Discuss Long Range Planning.

Councilmember Green asked about a trailer house parked behind La Finca restaurant and Mr. Archer commented that the Code Enforcement Officer had already addressed the issue with the owners.

Mayor King said that he had been out to look at the Highway 6 bridge and was skeptical that the project would meet its projected completion date. He further stated that Judge Fields was interested in the possibility of having a pilot car to safely shuttle people around the road work although, after a discussion by the Council of the advantages and disadvantages of a pilot car, the majority of the Council agreed this was a poor idea.

Councilmember Boles has received a citizen complaint about a patrol car too close to the roadway on the interstate with no lights on who felt this was a safety hazard.

Councilmember Green informed the Council that the new restaurant at the Myrtle Wilks Community Center would open on March 7, 2017.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

Motion was made by Councilmember Green to adjourn, second made by Councilmember Boles. Motion passed unanimously and the meeting adjourned at 8:58 p.m.

ATTEST:

Tammy Osborne, City Secretary

James King, Mayor
