



**CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT
City Council
Regular Meeting
MINUTES**

Whitewright Visitor Center
111 W. Grand
February 6, 2018
6:30 p.m.

The City Council of Whitewright met for a Regular Meeting Tuesday, February 6, 2018 at 6:30 PM in the Whitewright Visitors Center, the same being open to the public with the following members present:

Councilmember	Sarah Beth Owen
Councilmember	Bart Bodine
Councilmember	Russell Ponder
Councilmember	John Simon
Councilmember	George Fenner

Others present: City Secretary Tona Shippet, Sal Saenz, Alydia Saenz, Roger Palmer, Dwayne Henderson, Shonda Latimer, Brandon Latimer, Jake Hartline, Rick Webber, Cheryl Harvey and 2 minor children, Wes Anderson, Mel Anderson, Chris Noah, Mike Stiles, Chris Ely, Gwyn Jordan.

1. Call meeting to Order and Establish a Quorum:

Mayor Looney called the meeting to order at 6:34 PM and established a Quorum. Councilmembers Owen, Ponder, Simon and Fenner were present. Councilman Bodine arrived after the Invocation and Pledge and prior to Action Items.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:

Councilmember Fenner gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. Citizens Forum: *(State law prohibits the City Council from considering or deliberating on any item not listed on the posted City Council agenda. A person may address the Council on items not on the printed agenda. Comments are limited to three (3) minutes. The Council may not comment or deliberate regarding such statements or comments during this period. Any discussion of the subjects must be limited to a proposal to place the subject on the agenda for a future meeting. Sec. 551.042 of Open Meeting Act).*

4. Open Public Hearing:

Mayor Looney opened the public hearing at 6:36 PM

Public Hearing

For the purpose of a re-Plat at 408 North Blanton Street in the City of Whitewright, Grayson County, Texas from one (1) lot to be divided into two (2) separate lots. Property ID 170650 as shown by OTP Whitewright, Block PT 29, 125 X 150 ACRES .4304, of the Grayson County Appraisal District of Grayson County, Texas presently classified as Single Family 2.

- a. Citizens Comments
NONE
- b. Commissioners Comments
Commissioner Simon stated that the re-plat met the requirements.
- c. Close Public Hearing

Mayor Looney closed the public hearing at 6:38 PM.

5. Action Items:

5a. Consider and approve re-plat at 408 North Blanton Street in the City of Whitewright, identified as property ID 170650 by the Grayson County Appraisal District of Grayson County, Texas. The Planning and Zoning board voted 4-0 to recommend approval of the re-plat.

Councilmember Simon moved to approve the re-plat. Councilmember Ponder seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5b. Consider and approve Minutes from Regular Meeting dated December 4, 2017.

Consider and approve Minutes from Called Meeting dated January 22, 2018

Councilmember Simon moved to approve the minutes from 12/4/17 and 1/22/18. Councilmember Fenner seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0

5c. Consider and approve current bills for payment.

Councilmember Ponder moved to approve the bills for payment. Councilmember Simon seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5d. Consider and approve Monthly Departmental Reports.

Library, Police, Fire, EMS, Court, Public Works

Councilmember Owen moved to approve the departmental reports. Councilmember Ponder seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5e. Consider and approve repair/replacement of Cardiac Monitor for EMS and financing options.

Councilmember Owen moved to table the matter. Councilmember Bodine seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5f. Consider and approve moving or purchasing new awning for ambulances.

Councilmember Ponder moved to approve moving the awning. Councilmember Simon seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5g. Consider and approve members of the Whitewright Public Library advisory board for a 3 year term beginning January 2, 2018: Chair, Rod Earnheart; Vice-chair, Mike Holloway; Secretary: Jeanie Coleman.

Councilmember Simon moved to approve the advisory board. Councilmember Fenner seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5h. Consider and approve repairs to Well 5, including water capacity for proposed housing development.

Councilmember Owen moved to table the matter. Councilmember Ponder seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0,

5i. Consider and approve laying sewer line with split cost for the Dallbar project.

Councilmember Owen moved to table the matter and to approach WEDC and WCDC to split the cities half of the project three ways. Councilmember Ponder seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5j. Consider and approve purchase/financing of new police vehicle to replace Unit 302 that was totaled.

Councilmember Owen moved to table the matter as the adjustor had not notified the city if vehicle was totaled and the amount of insurance reimbursement. Councilmember Fenner seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5k. Consider and approve Planning and Zoning board's recommendation for a parking variance for Whitewright Pharmacy proposed build. The board approved 24 parking spaces in lieu of the required 27.5 with the stipulation that the 3.5 parking spaces would be added to future builds on the proposed site. This is Phase I of a proposed 4 Phase build. The additional parking spaces must be added within 3 years if Phase II has not been started.

Councilmember Bodine moved to approve the variance as agreed upon. Councilmember Simon seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5l. Consider and approve Resolution 450, Ordering Election on May 5, 2018

Councilmember Simon moved to approve the resolution ordering election. Councilmember Owen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5m. Consider and approve Notice of General Election May 5, 2018 and Notice of Special Election May 5, 2018.

Councilmember Simon moved to approve the Notice of General Election. Councilmember Owen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

5n. Consider and approve overtime for city hall employees during early voting.

Councilmember Simon moved to approve the overtime. Councilmember Ponder seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0 with Councilmember Fenner abstaining as he is the son in law of one of the employees approved to earn overtime for the election.

6. Action Items:

6a. Wes Anderson and Mike Stiles request to address council regarding music events to be held downtown or adjacent to downtown throughout the year, beginning in the Spring. Consider and act if necessary.

Councilmember Owen moved to table the matter and Mr. Anderson and Mr. Stiles will return when they have firm plans. Councilmember Fenner seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6b. Discuss future water needs to include wells, tanks, and overhead storage.

Councilmember Simon moved to table the matter. Councilmember Owen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6c. Update and review of parks. Consider and act if necessary.

Councilmember Owen moved to table the matter and for it to be brought back before council for skate park paint, wood chips for play structure ground cover and replacement water fountain. Councilmember Fenner seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

City Secretary Tona Shiptet provided photos and prices of two play structures and an obstacle course she had purchased from Rene Bates. Councilmember Ponder called the 2 minor children in attendance to the table for their opinion of the play structures. Both children were excited about the future additions to the city parks.

6d. Consider, discuss, and act if necessary on Sherman-Denison Metropolitan Planning Organization Call for Projects due February 28, 2018. Appoint an advisory committee to aid in identifying projects.

Councilmember Simon moved to appoint an advisory committee to identify future transportation needs. Councilmember Fenner seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6e. Consider, discuss, and act if necessary on Transportation Improvement Plan Consultant Services Proposal by The Antero Group for \$32,000.00 with payment options.

Councilmember Owen moved to table the matter. Councilmember Bodine seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6f. Consider, discuss, and act if necessary on Capital Improvement Plan Consultant Services Proposal by The Antero Group for \$29,500.00 with payment options.

Councilmember Owen moved to table the matter. Councilmember Bodine seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6g. Consider discuss and act upon issuing Request for Quotes for the Sidewalk Grant.

Councilmember Owen moved to table the matter. Councilmember Ponder seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6h. Consider, discuss and act upon Brownfield Grant wrap up and Town Hall presentation.

Councilmember Owen moved to table the matter. Councilmember Bodine seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6i. Consider, discuss and act upon setting a standing consent agenda.

Councilmember Simon moved to approve a standing consent agenda. Councilmember Ponder seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6j. Review of Type A Board first quarter financials, including Revolving Loan account. Consider and act if necessary.

Councilmember Owen moved to approve the Type A financials. Councilmember Bodine seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

6k. Review of Type B Board first quarter financials. Consider and act if necessary.

Councilmember Simon moved to approve the Type B financials. Councilmember Owen seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

7. **Informational Reports:** (These reports are for information only. No discussion is appropriate unless there is a specific item listed below or there is a request that the item be placed on a subsequent agenda as a discussion and action item. Sec. 551.0415 of Open Meetings Act):

7a. **Mayor's Report:**

Update on Projects:

New Projects:

7b. **Council Concerns:**

Councilman Owen inquired if TxNM had addressed streetlights downtown that are out.

7c. **Future Agenda Items:** Councilmember Fenner requested a parks update at the next council meeting.

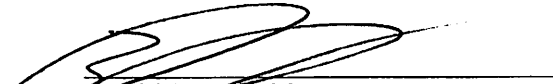
Councilman Owen request the advisory committee meeting be put on the next agenda.

8. **Adjourn:**

Councilman Owen moved to adjourn. Councilman Ponder seconded the motion. Motion carried 5-0.

ATTEST BY:


Tona Shiptet – City Secretary


Jeremiah Looney – Mayor