



CITY OF WHITEWRIGHT

**City Council
Regular Meeting
MINUTES**

Whitewright Visitor Center
111 W. Grand
December 4, 2017
6:30 p.m.

The City Council of Whitewright met for a Regular Meeting Monday, December 4, 2017 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 Shipler, C.J. Hill, Ruby Howell, Roger Palmer, Alan Roachell, Gwyn Jordan, Annette Snider

1. Call meeting to Order and Establish a Quorum:

Mayor Pro Tem Ponder called the meeting to order 6:30 PM and established a Quorum. Councilmembers Owen, Bodine, Simon and Fenner were present. Mayor Looney was absent.

2. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance:

Councilmember Bodine 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).*

Alan Roachell, CEO and Founder of Aquarian Water Solutions, spoke regarding his company and its location North of the Water Treatment Plant. He requested the city to repair and maintain the bridge over Bois D' Arc Creek so that he has access to his land where he plans to establish a business.

Mayor Pro Tem Ponder opened the Public Hearing:

PUBLIC HEARING:

For the purpose of a Variance at 204 S. Savage Street, in the City of Whitewright, Grayson County, Texas as shown by G-0768 McDaniel Granger A-G0768, Acres 2.72 (Northern portion of Lot platted as a separate Lot) identified as property ID 170997 (new ID number not yet assigned) of the Grayson County Appraisal District of Grayson County, Texas presently classified as Single Family Estate (SF-E), to allow homeowners a set period of time to erect a permanent carport that matches the façade of the home, with a pitched roof and roofing materials matching roof of home. Homeowner also requests variance to include installation of pre-fabricated carport in the interim.

- a. Citizens Comments
None
- b. Commissioners Comments

Councilman Simon clarified that the three year variance was approved and the carport would be built to ordinance. He questioned why a temporary carport was not approved. City Secretary stated that BOA member Lance Freer had advised that a temporary carport would cost one third of the cost of a permanent carport.

c. Close Public Hearing

Mayor Pro Tem Ponder closed the public hearing.

4. Action Item:

4a. Consider and Act on Board of Adjustment recommendation to approve a variance at 204 S. Savage Street, in the City of Whitewright, Grayson County, Texas as shown by G-0768 McDaniel Granger A-G0768, Acres 2.72 (Northern portion of Lot platted as a separate Lot) identified as property ID 170997 (new ID number not yet assigned) of the Grayson County Appraisal District of Grayson County, Texas presently classified as Single Family Estate (SF-E), to allow homeowners 3 years from November 27, 2017 to erect a permanent carport that matches the façade of the home, with a pitched roof and roofing materials matching roof of home. The board voted November 27, 2017 5-0 to approve the variance. City Secretary Tona Shippet will draft agreement for Mr. and Mrs. Brown and Mayor Looney to sign before a notary if council approves.

Councilmember Simon moved to approve the variance. Councilmember Owen moved to second the motion. Motion carried 4-0

5. Action Items:

5a. Consider and approve Minutes from Called Meeting dated September 13, 2017.

Consider and approve Minutes from Called Meeting dated September 14, 2017.

Consider and approve Minutes from Regular Meeting dated October 2, 2017

Consider and approve Minutes from Called Meeting dated October 18, 2017

Consider and approve Minutes from Regular Meeting dated November 6, 2017.

Councilmember Fenner moved to approve the Minutes dated September 13, 2017, September 14, 2017, October 2, 2017. Councilmember Owen moved to second the motion. Motion carried 4-0. The Minutes for October 18, 2017 and November 6, 2017 were not completed in time for the council meeting.

5b. Consider and approve current bills for payment.

Councilmember Owen moved to approve the current bills for payment with the stipulation that the Wal-Mart/Sam's invoice breakdown be provided to the council after the meeting. Councilmember Fenner moved to second the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

5c. Consider and approve Monthly Departmental Reports.

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

Councilmember Owen moved to approve the monthly departmental reports received. Councilmember Bodine seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0.

5d. Consider and act on additional employee benefits to be paid by the city:

Employee Assistance Program (EAP) paid by the City at a rate of (A) \$.90 per employee per month for 3 visits for a total of \$226.80 annually or (B) \$1.22 per employee per month for 6 visits for a total of \$307.44 annually or (C) \$1.53 per employee per month for 8 visits for a total of \$385.56 annually..

NOTE: Options A and B have reduced in price and option C has been added by provider.

Councilmember Owen moved to approve Option B. Councilmember Fenner seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0.

5e. Consider and act on Resolution 450: Accept the TWDB CWSRF Lift Station project as complete.

Councilmember Simon moved to approve Resolution 450. Councilmember Owen seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0.

5f. Consider and act upon renewal of temporary fence at Nursing Home with National Construction Rentals. Current rental expires 12/23/17. Options are month to month at \$672.00, 6 month contract at \$2808.96 (\$468.16 per month), 12 month contract at \$3480.96 (\$290.08 per month) or removal.

Councilmember Owen moved to approve 12 month contract. Councilmember Bodine seconded the motion.

Motion carried 4-0.

6. Action Items:

6a. Consider and act on re-appointment of Randy Glover to Seat 2 and Doc Hannah to Seat 4 of the Board of

Adjustment for a term of two years beginning 1/1/18. Note: Martha Mangrum resigned her seat before seat designation and Doc Hannah assumed the seat as he was an appointed alternate.

Councilmember Simon moved to approve the appointments. Councilmember Fenner seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

- 6b. Consider and act on appointment of Haylie Whitmore as an Alternate to the Board of Adjustment for a two year term beginning 1/1/18 to replace Doc Hannah.

Councilmember Fenner moved to appoint Ms. Whitmore. Motion died.

Councilmember Owen moved to table the appointment to allow for conflict of interest. Motion died.

Councilmember Simon moved to table until all 3 positions could be filled. Councilmember Owen seconded the motion. Motion carried 3-1. Councilmember Fenner voted against.

7. Action Items:

- 7a. Consider and act on appointment of Randy Glover or CJ Hill to the Whitewright Community Development (Type B) Board.

C.J. Hill appeared before the council and stated his community involvement and desire to service.

Councilmember Owen moved to appoint C.J. Hill. Councilmember Bodine seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

- 8. 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):

8a. **Mayor's Report:** None

Update on Projects: None

New Projects: None

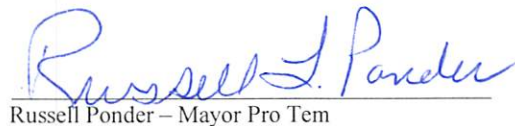
8b. Council Concerns: Councilmember Simon brought up posting video of meetings on the internet and videoing the meetings. Councilmember Owen inquired if the January meeting would be as scheduled due to the pending Furniture Mart loan re-structure. Councilmember Fenner requested an update on the parks. He also requested a regular update on Type A and Type B actions, including planned projects, completed projects, general business.

9. Adjourn:

Councilman Simon moved to adjourn. Councilman Bodine seconded the motion. Motion carried 4-0.

ATTEST BY:


Tona Shiplet – City Secretary


Russell Ponder – Mayor Pro Tem