MINUTES OF THE POINT BLANK CITY COUNCIL

March 13, 2023

The Point Blank City Council met in regular session on Monday, March 13, 2023, at the Point Blank Civic Center in Point Blank, Texas.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mark Wood, Mayor Mel Basham Larry Gumpert Mike Pagel Gary Wulf

COUNCIL MEMBERS ABSENT:

OTHERS:

Russell Sims

Kris Eastman Debbie Gould Greg Magee

CONVENED

Mayor Wood called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. A quorum was present, and the meeting was called to order.

READING OF SECTION 42.05 OF THE PENAL CODE, DISRUPTION OF A MEETING OR PROCESSION

Mayor Wood did not read Section 42.05 of the Penal Code.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

Kris Eastman, Texas Department of Emergency Management, gave an overview of an upcoming workshop that he is hosting regarding recovery and mitigation on March 22 from 1:00 to 4:00 p.m. The workshop will be held at the shelter in Coldspring.

MINUTES

Mayor Wood said the minutes of the February 13th meeting needed Council approval. Mayor Wood asked for a motion to approve the minutes with the changes noted.

Ms. Basham made a motion to approve the February 13, 2022, minutes as presented.

Mr. Pagel seconded the motion which carried (4 ayes, 0 nays).

CONSIDERATION, DISCUSSION AND POSSIBLE VOTE ON STREET REPAIRS

Mayor Wood informed the Council that more street work had been done in North Woods. Pot holes were also fixed. Mayor Wood said we would review the street spending next month and decide if the Council would like to allocate more funds to street repairs.

UPDATE ON SHORT TERM RENTALS

Ms. Hoot said that a check for \$300 had been received today for a new STR that is located at 120 Cliff Street in North Woods. This will be noted on the ledger report next month.

UPDATE ON COMMUNITY EVENTS COMMITTEE

Mayor Wood informed the Council that he had contacted the TXDOT engineer about having an Easter parade and the route that we were considering for the parade route. The engineer told Mayor Wood that under no circumstances would U. S. Highway 190 or State Highway 156 be blocked off. Boat Launch Road could not be used if it blocked access to Highway 190 or 156. That does not leave many options. TXDOT also informed Mayor Wood that a written plan which includes the proposed route and the specific people that will be in charge of traffic control has to be submitted to TXDOT for approval. Traffic Control must be conducted by local sheriff's office, constable or Department of Public Safety since the City does not have a police force.

Council agreed there would not be an Easter parade.

Ms. Gould arrived late.

The Mayor informed her there would not be an Easter parade but she could have an Easter Egg Hunt as long as it is held on private property.

Ms. Gould responded that the VFD Ladies Auxiliary is working with the Point Blank Community Church on an Easter Egg Hunt.

LEDGER REPORTS

Mayor Wood gave an overview of the ledger reports.

The balances are:	
First State Bank Checking Account	\$231,807.68
First State Bank Grant Account	\$2,875.02
Petty Cash	\$13.60
First National Bank Savings Account	\$137,144.16

Sales tax for the month was \$9,694.72.

Mayor Wood said that the city is now in the positive \$21,518.16 due to the receipt of the annual franchise check from Sam Houston Electric for \$49,061.37.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Wood said Family Dollar/Dollar Tree is now open.

COMMENTS FROM ALDERMEN

There were no comments from the aldermen.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

There was no executive session.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Wood said if there were no additional comments, he would like to ask for a motion to adjourn.

Mr. Gumpert made a motion to adjourn the meeting.

Ms. Basham seconded the motion which carried (4 ayes, 0 nays).

The meeting adjourned at 7:05 p.m.

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