WHITE OAK CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WHITE OAK CITY HALL
DECEMBER 14, 2010
6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT : Mayor Rick May, Mayor Pro-tem Barbara Ray, Kyle Kutch, Kelly Mitchell, Charlie Owens, Lance Noll

STAFF PRESENT : Sherry Roberts, Mike Self, Debbie Sadler

GUESTS PRESENT : None

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor May called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and led the invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

A. Consider and/or approve payment of bills.
B. Consider and/or approve City Council minutes from November 9, 2010

Councilmember Mitchell questioned the Verizon cell phone bills. There was discussion regarding the bills and questions answered by staff.

Councilmember Mitchell then asked if the City sent Asst. Police Chief Roach to Austin with the volleyball players for the state championship. Discussion regarding the liability issue of sending an officer to out-of-town school functions was held and staff stated that questions will be answered after research is complete.

Councilmember Mitchell questioned the payment approval report regarding the Snapfitness bill. City Secretary Sherry Roberts explained the City paid for employee memberships for those who wanted to join and the employees will reimburse the City by payroll deduction.

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Kutch. Carried 4-0-1 with Mayor Pro-tem Ray abstaining.

**Councilmember Kutch excused himself from the meeting at 6:15 p.m.

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE bids received for TCDBG Grant generators.

Public Works Director Mike Self explained the bid opening for the generators was that morning and the bids came in considerably under budget. The lowest bid was from J.W. Electric for $93,152. He stated there can be a change order for up to 25% and possibly roll the Lake Harris generator into this grant. He recommended approval of the low bid.

Councilmember Mitchell made the motion to accept the low bid from J.W. Electric for $93,152, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Ray. Carried 4-0.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE Allied Waste Service contract amendment.

Mayor May explained this increase stems from Allied Waste's request for an annual increase per their contract. This is a 4.1% CPI increase which is only one-half of what it should have been. Allied Waste is splitting the increase 50/50 with the City. Mayor May stated he recommended approval.

Councilmember Owens made the motion to approve, seconded by Councilmember Noll. Carried 4-0.

CONSIDER AND OR APPROVE O rdinance #2010-14 amending the Solid Waste Ordinance §66.40 Charges for Service.

City Secretary Sherry Roberts explained the current fees and how in January 2010, the ordinance called for a $5.50 senior citizen discount. When the Solid Waste Ordinance was updated the month prior, the cost for seniors was inadvertently entered as $5.00 per senior household instead of the $5.50 discount. Without the discount in the ordinance, there will never be an increase on senior citizens. With the .39¢ increase, the City is still in the hole $5.39 per senior citizen. The city's current fees are $10.50 per bag with an anticipated .39¢ increase and $12.60 for carts with an anticipated .49¢ increase.

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Noll, seconded by Councilmember Owens. Carried 4-0.

CITY COORDINATOR ITEMS

A. Capital Projects Update

Mayor May asked Public Works Director Mike Self to give an update on the water plant project. He gave what information he could since the water plant is not his department. He stated that Wendell dredged the Big Sandy Creek. He also alerted the council to a portion of the 16ft water main in Gladewater that has become exposed after years of erosion. This will be a future project that will have to involve the Texas State Railroad Commission. There was discussion regarding possible grants for this project.

Mayor May stated the standpipe project is complete. He also stated City Manager Charlie Smith informed him of the property purchase update. The owner, Ms. Grimes has changed attorneys and movement on the purchase should be evident soon.

ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 6:58 p.m. made by Councilmember Mitchell, seconded by Councilmember Noll. Carried unanimously.

Rick May, Mayor

ATTEST:

Sherry Roberts, City Secretary