

**WHITE OAK CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR MEETING  
WHITE OAK CITY HALL  
FEBRUARY 14, 2017  
5:00 P.M.**

**MEMBERS PRESENT** : Mayor Kyle Kutch, Lance Noll, Kevin Hood, Greg Hulett, Dr. Barbara Ray

**MEMBERS ABSENT** : Thomas Cash

**STAFF PRESENT** : Charlie Smith, Sherry Roberts, Terry Roach, Billy Morgan, Jason Maxted, Randy Dodson, Beaux Huey

**CALL TO ORDER**

- A. Invocation
- B. Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Kutch called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. City Coordinator Smith led the invocation Mayor Kutch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

**CONSENT AGENDA**

- A. Consider and/or approve payment of bills for January 2017
- B. Consider and/or approve City Council minutes from January 10, 2017
- C. Consider and/or approve Limited Joint Election Contract with White Oak ISD
- D. Consider and/or approve Ordinance 2017-02; Order for City Officers General Election
- E. Consider and/or approve Ordinance 2017-03; Order for Local Option Election

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Ray, seconded by Councilmember Hood. Carried unanimously.

**CITIZEN COMMENTS**

Gene Keenon with Republic Services presented the City Council a check for \$1,000 for special events. He stated he enjoys presenting the check in person every year to the City Council.

**PRESENTATION** of the 2016 Racial Profiling Report.

Chief Terry Roach gave an overview of the 2016 Racial Profiling report to the City Council. The report includes citations issued and arrests. The breakdown is about 70% Caucasian, and around 1% for Hispanic and African American each. These percentages have been about the same for at least the last five years.

**CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE** bids for city hall roof replacement.

City Coordinator Smith explained this needed to be tabled because the ad was only published once and it must legally be published for two consecutive weeks. It will be placed on the March agenda.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hulett made the motion to table, Councilmember Ray seconded. Carried unanimously.

**CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE** land donation from Pat Davis.

City Coordinator informed the Council of a bicycle motorcross (BMX) group that is interested in building trails on the land. It is not usable except for park land. He suggested the City Council accept the land donation and allow the bike club utilize it.

Councilmember Ray asked if they would have their own liability insurance. City Coordinator Smith answered it would be like the City's other parks.

Councilmember Noll made the motion to accept the land donation, seconded by Councilmember Ray. Carried unanimously.

**DISCUSSION** regarding City land.

City Coordinator Smith shared an update regarding the City's 43 acres on Old Highway 80. The mountain bike club is clearing their trails by hand and it is a slow process. There is a man that can clear the trails by machine to extend the trail and there is park money in the budget to fund this expense. The club has five races a year and the club has lost availability to one track in Longview. This would replace that track and would provide an opportunity to attract people to White Oak for this race. This would be a light investment for the City and when completed, approximately six miles of trails will exist.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hulett asked if anyone had thought about signage for the trails. City Coordinator Smith answered that he would like to inquire about signage costs because he believes these trails will be a nice draw for the City. He then reminded the Council about the discussion regarding an additional water source, including an additional reservoir. There is enough space on these 43 acres to build a reservoir and make it recreational with fish for the public. This additional reservoir would help during the summer months when the Big Sandy Creek runs low. It would also give staff the opportunity to drain the main reservoir and clean out the silt.

Police Chief Roach mentioned that Longview also use the trail as a walking park. City Coordinator Smith stated that maybe all the parks need new signage because sometime people have a difficult time finding them.

**CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE** White Oak Economic Development Corporation to enter into an economic development performance agreement with L & J Pet Products.

City Coordinator Smith informed the Council that this company relocated from Mt. Pleasant. The owner wanted to relocate to White Oak because most of his business is in this area. White Oak EDC gave them a \$10,000 grant to move to Lake Harris Circle. The business has already located here and the couple is planning to move here.

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Hood, seconded by Councilmember Noll. Carried 3-0-1 with Mayor Pro-Tem Hulett abstaining for conflict of interest.

**CITY COORDINATOR ITEMS**

- A. Update on wastewater treatment plant construction  
They are still pouring concrete and the new wastewater lab is up and running.
- B. TxDOT Sidewalk Grant  
This is the same Safe Route to Schools grant that the City applied for about three years ago, and were not approved. Texas Department of Transportation has reopened the grant; therefore, staff would like to reapply for it. This sidewalk would be from the school north to the Woodbine subdivision and on the east side of White Oak Road.

**ADJOURNMENT**

Motion to adjourn at 5:18 p.m. made by Councilmember Noll, seconded by Councilmember Ray. Carried unanimously.



*Kyle Kutch*  
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Kyle Kutch, Mayor

ATTEST:

*Sherry Roberts*  
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Sherry Roberts, TRMC, CPM  
Asst. City Manager/City Secretary