

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR
MEETING MINUTES
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 13, 2018
5:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Kyle Kutch, Barbara Ray, Joe Stephens, Thomas Cash, Greg Hulett, Kevin Hood

STAFF PRESENT: Charlie Smith, Melba Haralson, Terry Roach, Jason Maxted, Brian Russell, Billy Morgan, Jim Nall

GUESTS PRESENT: Cory Crowell, Christian Allen, Jim Bardwell, Kristi Simpson, Wesley Simpson, Stacy Anderson, Aubrey Werner, Isabel Aguire, Derek Zivney, Michael Simmons, Shaun Baker

1. CALL TO ORDER – 5:00 p.m.
 - a. Invocation
 - b. Pledge of Allegiance

2. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA
 - a. City Council minutes for October 9, 2018
Councilmember Hulett moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Stephens.
Carried 5-0.

3. CITIZEN COMMENTS
None.

4. CONSIDERATION of Resolution 2018-14 authorizing execution of an Advance Funding Agreement (AFA) with the Texas Department of Transportation for the FM 3272 Sidewalk Construction Project

Councilmember Stephens moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Ray. Carried 5-0.

5. PRESENTATION by Mike Simmons with Kilgore Fire Academy regarding formation of Emergency Services District (ESD) Number Four

Mike Simmons with Kilgore Fire Academy gave a presentation regarding formation of an Emergency Services District and answered questions. There was lengthy discussion with participation from various attendees.

6. CONSIDERATION of Resolution 2018-15 supporting the formation of Emergency Services (ESD) Number Four

No action taken.

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7. CONSIDERATION of variance to Sign Ordinance Section 70-153(k) by request of Shaun Baker for signs to be located at 101 W. U.S. Hwy 80

Shaun Baker explained in detail the sequence of events leading up to the installation of signs at the corner of White Oak Road and U.S. Highway 80, including advertisers license, bond and permit from TxDOT. He said he jumped through hoops to comply with state regulations, spent a few thousand dollars on concrete and labor, then got a call that the city requires a permit. He said he is willing to put up ornamental metal, landscaping or repaint in order to make it more attractive. He said local businesses have contracted with him for advertising and he will have to refund that money.

Councilmember Hood said he understands, that Mr. Baker feels he went through the right channels.

Councilmember Ray asked if this could be considered in executive session at the next meeting. City Secretary Haralson stated this doesn't meet Local Government Code requirements for a closed meeting.

Mayor Kutch suggested a possible compromise might be to allow him to leave the signs up until each 1-year contract expires so Mr. Baker will not have to refund money.

Councilmember Hulett said we will need to see the agreements with dates of expiration.

No action taken.

8. CONSIDERATION of Ordinance 2018-09 granting Centerpoint Energy Resources Corp., dba Centerpoint Energy Texas Gas Operations, the right, privilege and franchise to construct, install, extend, remove, replace, abandon, operate and maintain its facilities with the public rights-of-way of the City of White Oak, Texas

City Coordinator Smith stated this is a renewal of the expired franchise agreement.

Councilmember Hood moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Cash. Carried 5-0.

9. CITY COORDINATOR REPORT

- a. Update on capital improvement projects

The Owens Road lift station project is complete except for sod.

- b. Administrative updates

John Whitsell, City Manager of Clarksville City has accepted the City Manager position in Chandler. Matt Maines will take the position in Clarksville City.

10. ADJOURN

Councilmember Stephens moved to adjourn at 6:30 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Cash. Adjourned by consensus.

Attest:

Kyle Kutch, Mayor

Melba Haralson, Asst. City Manager/City Secretary