

**WHITE OAK CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING
WHITE OAK CITY HALL
DECEMBER 13, 2016
5:00 P.M.**

MEMBERS PRESENT : Mayor Kyle Kutch, Thomas Cash, Lance Noll, Kevin Hood, Greg Hulett

MEMBERS ABSENT : Barbara Ray

STAFF PRESENT : Charlie Smith, Sherry Roberts, Beaux Huey, Terry Roach, Randy Dodson, Joe Theriot

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 and Mayor Kutch led the Pledge of Allegiance.

CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider and/or approve payment of bills for November 2016
- B. Consider and/or approve City Council minutes from November 8, 2016
- C. Consider and/or approve the 2017 City Holiday Schedule

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

CITIZEN COMMENTS

None.

DISCUSSION regarding a Trap-Neuter-Return program for feral cats.

City Coordinator Smith explained that a lot of the city's cost to the animal shelter is due to feral cats. Employees have cut back on trapping cats. Longview has a private organization that leads a similar program. The cat colonies die down when the cats have been neutered or spayed because they are no longer able to reproduce. He spoke with the Gladewater Animal Control Officer and he is using the Animal Protection League (APL) which costs \$53 for spaying. This is one-half the cost than taking cats to the animal shelter, which is \$114 per animal.

Councilmember Hulett stated that most cats are euthanized. There needs to be some type of humane alternative.

City Coordinator Smith stated that Kilgore City Manager Josh Selleck had success with the program in Cedar Park.

Councilmember Noll questioned how often cats would be trapped. City Coordinator Smith answered that cats would be trapped and taken to the APL on an on-call basis.

City Coordinator Smith stated that staff will provide an ordinance for approval next month and price information from the APL for spay and neuter services.

Discussion was held regarding the ability of city staff to euthanize feral cats. The overall consensus was that this was not in the city's best interest nor the appropriate solution for the feral cat problem.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE Ordinance 2016-18 amending Chapter 66, Article II, Section

40(6)(7) of the Code of Ordinances, prescribing rates to be charged for solid waste sanitation services.

City Coordinator Smith explained that Republic Services is allowed an annual Consumer Price Index increase. The bag increase is .19 cents and the cart increase is .13 cents. If the increase is not passed along to the customer, it will cause the city to lose approximately \$3,800 per year in sanitation revenue.

Motion to approve made by Mayor Pro-Tem Hulett, seconded by Councilmember Noll. Carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND/OR REAPPOINT Don Anderson, Kenny Corbell, David Puckett, and Pete Sacciocio to the Planning & Zoning Commission for a three-year term from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2019.

Motion to reappoint all members made by Mayor Pro-Tem Hulett, seconded by Councilmember Hood. Carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND/OR REAPPOINT Billy Sallee as a board member to the Board of Adjustments and Todd Long and Jeff Loftis as alternate members for a two-year term from January 1, 2017 through December 31, 2018.

Motion to approve made by Councilmember Noll, seconded by Councilmember Cash. Carried unanimously.

OPEN PUBLIC HEARING to receive comments from the public regarding the Application for a Specific Use Provision (SUP) from ETX Towing & Storage to place a towing and storage business at AB 38 TR 4 Sec 10 of the W. H. Castleberry Survey, or more commonly known as 1701 E. U.S. Highway 80, White Oak, TX.

Mayor Kutch opened the public hearing at 5:22 p.m. No citizens chose to speak.

City Coordinator Smith explained the application was presented to the Planning & Zoning Board and it was denied. The owners were informed that the application will be presented to the city council to either approve or deny, and they were welcomed to attend.

CLOSE PUBLIC HEARING

Mayor Kutch closed the public hearing at 5:23 p.m.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE Specific Use Provision (SUP) for ETX Towing & Storage to place a towing and storage business at AB 38 TR 4 Sec 10 of the W. H. Castleberry Survey, or more commonly known as 1701 E. U.S. Highway 80, White Oak, TX.

Mayor Pro-Tem Hulett made a motion to deny the application, seconded by Councilmember Hood. Carried unanimously.

CONSIDER AND/OR APPROVE White Oak Economic Development Corporation to enter into an economic development performance agreement with the City of White Oak.

City Coordinator Smith explained this is for a new gas line for businesses in the Willow Lake Business Park. The cost of the new gas line was \$11, 427.

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

CITY COORDINATOR ITEMS

- A. Update on water and wastewater treatment plant construction
The number two racetrack is running and looks good. The new lab is ready to be moved

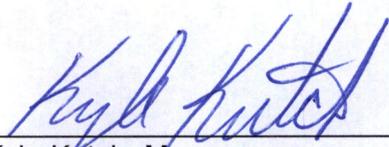
into. The contractors will now begin working on number one. The bar screen is where all the waste comes and only water can get through. Any solids that comes through is caught and goes into a dumpster. The contractors are working on the new clarifier and pouring the walls for it.

B. Employee Christmas Party

City staff had a great time at the Christmas party. Mayor Kutch agreed. City Coordinator Smith commended Utility Clerk Linda Lee for purchasing wonderful employee gifts with donations received from area businesses.

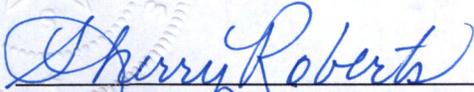
ADJOURNMENT

Motion to adjourn at 5:28 p.m. made by Councilmember Noll, seconded by Councilmember Cash. Carried unanimously.



Kyle Kutch, Mayor

ATTEST:



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