

CITY COUNCIL REGULAR  
MEETING MINUTES  
TUESDAY, AUGUST 14, 2018  
5:00 P.M.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Barbara Ray

STAFF PRESENT: Charlie Smith, Melba Haralson, Jason Maxted, Billy Morgan, Beaux Huey, Brannon Robertson, Bill McBride, Randy Dodson, Tracey Fears

GUESTS PRESENT: Lauren Pelham, Stacy Anderson, Selina Tabor, Michael Simmons, James Reis, Mike Reis, Jim Crofford, Brian Green, Caitlin DeAguen, Amanda Sowell, Adam Maywort

1. CALL TO ORDER - Mayor Kutch called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.
  - a. Invocation
  - b. Pledge of Allegiance
  
2. CONSIDERATION of Consent Agenda
  - a. City Council minutes for July 10, 2018 and July 30, 2018
  - b. ETCOG Interlocal Contract for City 9-1-1 Database Maintenance
  - c. Resolution approving a reduction in rates charged by Centerpoint Energy resources Corporation

Mayor Pro-tem Hulett moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Cash. Carried 4-0.
  
3. CITIZEN COMMENTS  

None.
  
4. PRESENTATION by Kilgore College Fire Academy  

Mike Timmons, Chief of the Kilgore College Fire Academy, along with WOVFD Fire Chief Bill McBride presented certificates and awarded badges to Timothy Crawford and Adam Maywort for completing the 4-month online basic firefighter course.
  
5. CONSIDERATION of Resolution authorizing application to Texas Parks & Wildlife to participate in the Local Park Grant Program for proposed dog park and softball field lighting upgrade  

City Coordinator Charlie Smith explained this is preliminary requirement to apply for the grant. He said this is not for this upcoming budget.

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Councilmember Cash moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Stephens. Carried 4-0.

6. CONSIDERATION of Resolution authorizing White Oak Economic Development Corporation to enter into an economic development performance agreement with JJCL Investments LLC, dba Hard Bean Coffee Café

James Reis gave a presentation regarding the business plan and financial projections for Hard Bean Coffee Café. City Coordinator Smith stated WOEDCO approved a \$40,000 grant.

Councilmember Hood moved to approve the resolution, seconded by Councilmember Cash. Carried 4-0.

7. CONSIDERATION of Ordinance to amend Sections 14-92(a) Electrical Schedule of Fees, 14-351 Plumbing Schedule of Fees and 70-73(e) Driveway Approaches of the White Oak Code of Ordinances

Councilmember Stephens moved to approve, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Hulett. Carried 4-0.

8. CONSIDERATION of Ordinance to add to Chapter 14, Section 14-502 Mechanical Schedule of Fees and add Section 14-237(5) Building Permit Schedule to Fees to the White Oak Code of Ordinances

Mayor Pro-tem Hulett moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Hood. Carried 4-0.

9. BUDGET WORKSHOP for fiscal year 2018-2019

The proposed budget was presented by Asst. City Manager / City Secretary Melba Haralson. There was discussion regarding capital requests, the fund balance and Mayor Pro-tem Hulett asked for more detail on the police department's budget.

10. CONSIDERATION of PROPOSED ad valorem tax rate for fiscal year 2018-2019  
*(If proposed rate exceeds the effective tax rate a record vote must be taken and date and time of two public hearings must be announced.)*

Mayor Pro-tem Hulett moved to propose a tax rate of 0.58628, seconded by Councilmember Stephens. A record vote was taken; Hood, Hulett, Cash and Stephens were all in favor. Mayor Kutch announced there will be two public hearings on the proposed tax rate. The first will be held August 28, 2018 at 5:00 p.m. and the second will be held September 4, 2018 at 5:00 p.m.

11. CITY COORDINATOR REPORT

- a. Update on capital improvement projects

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1. SPI Engineers will be holding a preconstruction meeting soon on the Owens Road lift station project.

b. Administrative updates

1. The Taco Bell / KFC restaurant will be going down in the coming days and they will be rebuilding only Taco Bell.

2. Adam's Rib BBQ restaurant will be opening November 1<sup>st</sup> in the old Louisiana Pride location.

12. ADJOURN

Councilmember Stephens moved to adjourn at 6:00 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Hood. Adjourned by consensus.

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Kyle Kutch, Mayor

Attest:

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Melba Haralson, Asst. City Manager/City Secretary