

WHITE OAK CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES
DECEMBER 8, 2020
5:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Kyle Kutch, Joe Stephens, Thomas Cash, Kevin Hood, John Frazier

MEMBERS ABSENT: Dana Mizell

STAFF PRESENT: Charlie Smith, Leah Brooks, Jimmy Purcell, Terry Roach, Tracey Fears

GUESTS PRESENT: Jim Barwell, Stacy Anderson, Dale Thomas

1. CALL TO ORDER – 5:00 p.m.

- a) Invocation
- b) Pledge of Allegiance

2. OATH OF OFFICE for newly re-elected Councilmember Kevin Hood

City Secretary Leah Brooks administered the Oath of Office for Councilmember Kevin Hood.

3. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

- a) City Council meeting minutes for November 10, 2020
- b) City Council meeting minutes for November 16, 2020
- c) 2021 Holiday schedule

Councilmember Cash moved to approve, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Hood. Carried 3-0.

4. CITIZENS COMMENTS *(Any citizen wishing to address the Council on an agenda item may do so during the citizen comment section of the meeting, or when the item is being considered by the Council.)*

None.

5. PUBLIC HEARING regarding a Special Use Provision (SUP) permit request from Todd and Julie Weeks for a livable mother-in-law quarters to be located at Lot 1 Block 1 S. Tuttle Est and Abstract W.H. Castleberry Sur Tr 12-04 Sec 4, more commonly known as 503 N. Glencrest Street, White Oak

Mayor Kyle Kutch opened the public hearing at 5:03 p.m.

City Coordinator Charlie Smith explains the Weeks' would like to build a Mother-in-law suite in their existing shed. Smith further explained the City crews are working with the Weeks' to monitor the sewer situation in the area to ensure adding the Mother-in-law suite does not cause backups to occur.

With no further comments, the public hearing was closed at 5:04 p.m.

6. CONSIDERATION of a Special Use Provision (SUP) permit request from Todd and Julie Weeks for a livable mother-in-law quarters to be located at Lot 1 Block 1 S. Tuttle Est and Abstract W.H. Castleberry Sur Tr 12-04 Sec 4, more commonly known as 503 N. Glencrest Street, White Oak

Mayor Pro-tem Hood moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Cash. Carried 3-0.

7. CONSIDERATION of Ordinance 2020-14 amending Section 82-40(a) - Disconnection of Service - of the Code of Ordinances

Charlie Smith explained the current ordinance disconnects all water accounts with any amount of balance including individuals that may have just written an incorrect amount and are off by only a few dollars. Smith further explained that having a minimum cutoff amount of \$40.00 would allow for occasional citizen error.

Mayor Pro-tem Hood moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Cash. Carried 3-0.

8. CONSIDERATION of Ordinance 2020-16 amending Section 10-40 – Keeping of Hogs - of the Code of Ordinances

Charlie Smith explains this is the Ordinance resulting from the November council meeting to allow White Oak ISD to house hogs in their planned Agriculture Barn.

Councilmember Cash moved to approve, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Hood. Carried 3-0

Councilmember Stephens arrived at 5:17 p.m.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Government Code §551.074 regarding
a) Provisions of the City Coordinator's contract
b) Building Inspector position

The council recessed into executive session at 5:37 p.m.

10. RECONVENE into open session and take any action necessary regarding
a) Provisions of the City Coordinator's contract
b) Building Inspector position

The council reconvened into open session at 6:27 p.m.

Councilmember Cash moves to move forward with the City Inspector position, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Hood. Carried 4-0.

11. CITY COORDINATOR REPORT

- a) Update on capital improvement projects
SIB Loan funds for George Richey expansion projected to be received in January 2021 and talks regarding Hwy 42 expansion project may begin as early as the first of the year.
- b) Administrative updates – item was moved before agenda item 9
Charlie Smith presented findings from the Railroad Commission data showing 283 wells have been plugged in Region 6 where White Oak is located just since June. Dale Thomas presented notes to council for following presentation. Mr. Thomas stated the goal of his presentation was to convince the City to consider being proactive not reactive regarding ordinances. Mr. Thomas' concerns included abandoned oil wells on private property and the issues they cause including possible exposure of surface water

from saltwater left by wells as well as irresponsible operators leaving lease roads a disaster. Mr. Thomas would like for the City to ensure better compliance to the ordinances by the operators.

11. ADJOURNMENT

Councilmember Stephens moved to adjourn at 6:37 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Cash. Adjourned by consensus.

Kyle Kutch, Mayor

Attest:

Leah Brooks, City Secretary/Finance Director