

June 14, 2016

Regular Meeting called to order at 6:30 pm by the Mayor.

Members Present: Roger McDonald, Eugene Brooks, Alfonso Lang, Sharyn Harrison, Johnny Wheeler and Mark Slaughter.

Members Absent: None

Guest: See sign in sheet.

1. Invocation- George Folmar
2. Pledge of Allegiance
3. Open Forum/Public Comment: Evelyn Harris and Mark Slaughter had discussion about the increasing of speed limit on City streets.
4. Read and approve minutes of 05/10/2016 by Mark Slaughter, 2nd by Roger McDonald, unanimous.
5. Departmental Reports: LQ House, John Whitley, Darren Goodman.
6. Speed Limit: Motion to deny a request by Evelyn Harris to increase speed limit inside City limits from 20 mph to 30 mph by Eugene Brooks, 2nd by Alfonso Lang – unanimous.
7. First Baptist Church: Motion to approve building permit for new Multi-Purpose building contingent on City engineer's recommendation of construction plans by Eugene Brooks, 2nd by Roger McDonald – unanimous.
8. FISD: Motion to approve constructions plans for Pole barn at Rodeo arena contingent on City engineer's recommendation by Alfonso Lang, 2nd by Roger McDonald – unanimous.
9. Schaumburg & Polk/Allen Ross: (1) Motion to approve using remaining grant money from Generator project for related items at generator site at no additional out of pocket expense to City by Roger McDonald, 2nd by Mark Slaughter – unanimous. (2) Garrison Street Drainage: Engineer Allen Ross told the council that a difference of opinion exists between him and the project engineer who did the hydrological study when the school district was making improvements on the land by building a new elementary school and ball fields. However, Ross said that things can be done and he is certain that the city and school district can find a solution. Motion made to give the Mayor authority to set up a meeting with the school and the city by Roger McDonald, 2nd by Johnny Wheeler – unanimous.
10. Ordinance #061416: Motion to approve ordinance prohibiting parking on Southeast corner of the downtown park by Roger McDonald, 2nd by Eugene Brooks – unanimous.

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11. New Patrolman: Motion to approve hiring Mitchel Peterson as full time Patrolman and paying him while finishing his final month of the Police Academy by Roger McDonald, 2nd by Mark Slaughter, all For with Alfonso Lang voting against. Motion Carries.
12. Executive Session – Police Personnel: Adjourned the open meeting at 7:40 pm on 06/14/2016 under govt. code 551.074 for executive session. Mayor Harrison adjourned executive session at 8:15 pm and reconvened in regular session.
13. Consider Personnel matters closed session: Discussion only, no action taken.
14. Mayors FYI: Councilman Mark Slaughter felt the personal attacks needed to stop in the Mayors FYI, otherwise he liked the report. The FYI and a project to clean up a private lot on HWY. 155 had led to a disagreement between Slaughter and the Mayor and Mark Slaughter wants an outside opinion on the legality of using city equipment and manpower to clean up a lot on private property. After Larry Q House and the Mayor refused to discuss the matter, Slaughter asked Police Chief Darren Goodman to provide paperwork where a councilman can request an outside opinion. The Mayor asked if the council would prefer for her to stop including a FYI, councilman Eugene Brooks said “That makes me happy.” The Mayor will not give the FYI to council. At approximately 8:20 Roger McDonald walked out of meeting.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25 pm by Sharyn Harrison, Mayor.



Sharyn Harrison, Mayor


Jan Hamilton, City Secretary