


October 9, 2018

1. **Regular Meeting called to order** at 6:30 p.m. by the Mayor Eugene Brooks
2. **Invocation**-Roger McDonald
3. **Pledge of Allegiance**
4. **Roll Call:** Mayor Eugene Brooks: Present, Councilmember Roger McDonald: Present, Councilmember Elmer Birdwell: Present, Councilmember Alfonso Lang: Present, Councilmember Vivian Hollingsworth: Present, Councilmember Mark Slaughter: Present
5. **Consent Items:** Minutes as written for Regular Council Meeting of 09/11/18. Motion to appoint Municipal Judge Gary Thomas for 2018-2019 year approved by Alfonso Lang, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elmer Birdwell, unanimous.
6. **Citizens Forum:** None
7. **New Business:**
  - a. Economic Development – Consider budget request from 9/10/18 meeting. Approved by Alfonso Lang, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Elmer Birdwell, unanimous.
  - b. Discuss Compensation for Fire Department. Discussion introduced at September 11<sup>th</sup>, 2018 meeting by Elmer Birdwell. Since meeting a letter was mailed to Rural Water to match our current incentive for FVFD Volunteers living in the city limits. Letter asked Rural Water to wave base-rate for those on Rural Water and see if Ameri-Tex would wave trash fee for those living outside of city limits whom meet FVFD requirements for incentive. Fire Chief, Scottie Rodgers, would need to submit a list of those volunteers who meet the standard. Discussion tabled until further notice. Motion to table by Mark Slaughter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alfonso Lang, unanimous.
  - c. Consider inter local agreement between City of Frankston and Frankston Cemetery Board. Cemetery needs back-hoe and operator for overgrown shrubs and for stump removal. If equipment breaks the cemetery will fix. The people working on Hwy 175 admitted they knocked down brick column at cemetery, therefore, they will fix it. Also briefly discussed the Next Generation Cemetery. 8 acres of land located North of current cemetery have been designated and is being cleared for more cemetery plots. Motion to approve inter local agreement approved by Mark Slaughter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alfonso Lang, unanimous.
  - d. Consider contract extension for Gexa Energy for 65 month contract. Contract would lock us in at a lower rate than we are currently paying. The current rate of 0.04726 per kwh. New 65 month contract starting in May 2021 has a rate of 0.04125 per kwh. Motion to approve by Roger McDonald, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alfonso Lang. Motion to approve Kelli Landreth-Smith, City Secretary, to sign Gexa contract on 10/10/18. Motion to approve by Vivian Hollingsworth, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Alfonso Lang, unanimous.
  - e. Consider Park Ordinance 100918. Park Ordinance 100918 was created in response to an individual living in City Park. Frankston PD helped find individual a hotel for the night over weekend, the next day the individual returned. The following Monday, Chief Goodman helped individual find a shelter in Tyler. Ordinance 100918 sets guidelines on hours of park and guidelines for park usage. Park ordinance 100918 also applies to cemetery. Motion approved by Mark Slaughter, 2<sup>nd</sup> by Vivian Hollingsworth, unanimous.
  - f. Discuss 2018 National Night Out. Mayor Brooks thought there was great attendance for NNO. The bouncy houses, slide were a great idea. There was very little food left and we ran out of hamburgers. 1<sup>st</sup> Annual Pumpkin Contest only had 9 entries. Suggested donating pumpkins to school to create more involvement in contest for next year. Mayor Brooks thanked all those who participated.

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8. **Items from Council:** Mayor Brooks discussed a pavilion for Sallie Austin Park. He discussed overall plan and location of pavilion. The location would be where old medical building was located at top of hill. He proposed at 65x40 pavilion open on 3 sides. The pavilion would have wheelchair accessible male and female restrooms, a small kitchen as well as a storage room. It would also have room for outdoor bar-b-q grills. Not sure of total cost. Mayor Brooks plans on presenting proposal to Economic Development at next meeting for approval. Economic Development would have financial control of project. Elmer Birdwell says he is keeping his eyes open for areas to clean up around town. Ken Adams property is neglected around town and there is a property located by Elmer Birdwell that is grown up. Elmer also discussed planting a tree at City Park. Alfonso Lang said Kelli Landreth-Smith is doing an excellent job in her new role as City Secretary. He also would like to see John Whitley promoted to Foreman under Michael Hatton and a raise to reflect new position. Mark Slaughter wanted an update on Glaspie Cattle Company restaurant. Kelli Landreth-Smith will call and get an update on their cleanup plans for restaurant. Mayor Brooks said Kelli Landreth-Smith is working hard at new job and that Chief Goodman was looking into a grant for a new City Hall/Police Station.
9. **Property Maintenance:** Square Fair is Saturday, October 20<sup>th</sup>. Mayor Brooks encouraged everyone to help spread the word to tidy up the town. Also, reminded Council to use a Service Request Form to ask City for assistance on any issues that need to be fixed around town.
10. **Staff Reports:** Scottie Rodgers, absent, no report. Darren Goodman, absent but report presented by Mayor Brooks. Michael Hatton – Water & Sewer. John Whitley -Streets
11. **Announcements:**
12. **Adjournment:** Meeting adjourned @ 7:29 pm by Eugene Brooks, Mayor.

  
Eugene Brooks, Mayor

  
Kelli Landreth-Smith, City Secretary