



City of Llano
 Regular Called City Council Workshop Meeting Minutes
 April 10, 2012 – 5:30 p.m.

A. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Reagor called the regular City Council meeting to order at 5:30 p.m. Those in attendance were Alderwoman Puryear, Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel, Alderman Decker, Alderwoman Simpson, with Alderman Hefner absent.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Led by Alderman J. R. Decker

C. WORKSHOP ITEMS

1. Discussion, review, follow-up, with direction to Staff on potential projects and funding.

- A. Input from Engineering Consultants

- B. Input from Funding Consultants

Previous workshop identified short term goals of seeking funding and implementing an alluvial well field on City property. Staff was also directed to prepare information on long term solutions for a presentation at a town Hall meeting. Staff will be meeting to gather information for the Town Hall meeting after the next called Council meeting with the goal to have materials ready by April 27, based on previous reports by Half Associates and estimates of probable costs as prepared by Hejl, Lee.

2. Discussion, review, with direction to Staff regarding a Water Conservation Incentive program.

As part of the 2012 budget process, Council allocated \$25,000.00 towards water conservation incentives and education. As with incentive programs, community education and outreach will also be a key. Some suggestions offered were landscaping conversion; rain harvesting; fixture replacement; low flow shower heads. Council also suggested incentives for pressure regulators that lower the psi. Council would like to see incentive offers formalized and brought back for approval.

3. Discuss and consider action regarding setting times and dates for public meetings, and town hall meetings

- A. Public Meetings

- B. Town Hall Meetings

Council suggested setting the Town Hall meeting for May 3rd, 2012 at 6:00 p.m. and to hold the Town Hall meeting at the Lan-Tex theatre so as to accommodate more in attendance. Staff will also work with the newspaper to get the information into print prior to the Town Hall meeting so residents will have ahead of time, and to also make information available at City Hall. At the suggestion of Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel, residents are going to want to see figures and will want to see how much their utility bills will increase if the City goes with a large project. Staff has also prepared a press release on the upcoming town hall meeting.

4. Discussion and review Legislative issues and lobbying positions on water related topics.

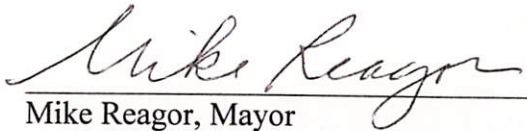
Over the past year the City has built relationships with Legislators, Stakeholders and Agencies. The City has participated in meetings with basin wide stakeholders; met with senior staff member of TCEQ. Mayor Reagor mentioned City officials have met with Junction and Mason leaders, and will have another meeting on April 20th. It was suggested possibly having an off-site workshop at the Ray House to work towards and making sure the communication stays open between the City and Legislators. Mr. deGraffenried also suggested using the resources made available to cities through the Texas Municipal League (TML) lobbying efforts.

5. Discuss and consider Council's position on Watermaster for the Llano River; and to consider a resolution for or against a Watermaster.

Council was informed that TCEQ was seeking input on the possibility of placing a Watermaster on the Colorado/Llano River. Typically a Watermaster is responsible for the regulation of water delivery to Senior Rights based on established protocols and procedures. A watermaster may also have the authority to curtail or suspend use to ensure delivery to a Senior Right.

Motion by Alderman J. R. Decker, with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel to approve Resolution 2012-04-10-1 opposing the establishment of a watermaster on the Llano River. With there being no further discussion, motion unanimously passed.

D. ADJOURNMENT With there being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 6:37 p.m.


Mike Reagor, Mayor


Toni Milam, City Secretary

