



City of Llano
Regular Called City Council Meeting Minutes
May 21, 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, and Alderman Hefner.

B. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Led by JR Decker

C. INVOCATION – Led by Lance Idol

D. PUBLIC COMMENTS – Non Agenda Items

E. PROCLAMATION – Memorial Day

Mayor Mike Reagor read the proclamation, proclaiming Monday, May 28, 2012 as Memorial Day. Due to the absence of Mayor Mike Reagor on Memorial Day, Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel will do the reading the proclamation at the Memorial Day services.

F. PRESENTATION

1. Mayor Mike Reagor to formally recognize outgoing Alderman Gordon Hefner for his outstanding service and commitment to the City of Llano while serving as Alderman.

Mayor Mike Reagor

Mayor Mike Reagor read a proclamation formally recognizing outgoing Alderman Gordon Hefner for his outstanding service and commitment to the City of Llano while serving as Alderman. A plaque was also given to Alderman Hefner recognizing his service to the Community. At this time, Alderman Hefner stepped down from the dais.

2. Mayor Mike Reagor to administer the official "Oath of Office" and the Certificate of Election to Alderwoman-Elect, Kelli Tudyk.

Mayor Mike Reagor

Mayor Mike Reagor formally administered the official "Oath of Office" and presented the Certificate of Election to Alderwoman Kelli Tudyk. At this time, Alderwoman Tudyk took her place up on the dais.

3. Mayor Mike Reagor to administer the official "Oath of Office" and the Certificate of Election to Alderwoman Jeanne Puryear.

Mayor Mike Reagor

Mayor Mike Reagor formally administered the official "Oath of Office" and presented the Certificate of Election to Alderwoman Puryear. At this time, Alderwoman Puryear took her place up on the dais.

4. Mayor Mike Reagor to administer the official "Oath of Office" and the Certificate of Election to Alderman Mike Hazel.

Mayor Mike Reagor

Mayor Mike Reagor formally administered the official "Oath of Office" and presented the Certificate of Election to Alderman Mike Hazel. At this time, Alderman Hazel took his place up on the dais.

G. PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. The City of Llano will hold a public hearing commencing at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 21, 2012, in the City Council Chambers, located at 301 W. Main Street, Llano, Texas to receive written and/or oral comments regarding a request to consider closing, vacating, conveying, and abandoning an alleyway, block 37, lots 1-12; being a portion of the Barler subdivision and a portion of the Oatman subdivision; alleyway bordered by Ash Street to the east, Cedar Street to the west; and Ollie Street to the south, and College Street to the north.

Mayor Mike Reagor/Finley deGraffenried, City Manager

Mayor Mike Reagor opened the public hearing at 5:40 p.m. to receive written and/or oral comments regarding the request to close, vacate, convey and abandon an alleyway. The petitioner, Mr. Simpson spoke and requested Council to approve. Hearing no other comments, Mayor Mike Reagor closed the public hearing at 5:42 p.m.

2. The City of Llano will hold a public hearing commencing at 5:30 p.m. on Monday, May 21, 2012, in the City Council Chambers, located at 301 W. Main Street, Llano, Texas to receive written and/or oral comments regarding a request to consider closing, vacating, conveying, and abandoning an alleyway, in Block 112, lots 4,5,6, and lots 11,12,13 of the LIFC subdivision; north of E. Young Street; bordered by Hamilton Street to the North; E. Young Street to the south; west side of Anniston St. to the east, and east side Hurley St. to the west.

Mayor Mike Reagor/Finley deGraffenried, City Manager

Mayor Mike Reagor opened the public hearing at 5:42 p.m. to receive written and/or oral comments regarding the request to close, vacate, convey and abandon an alleyway. The petitioner, Tonya Revada asked that Lisa Miiller speak on her behalf. Ms. Miiller requested Council to approve the request to close the alley. Kathleen Smith, adjacent property owner spoke against the alley closure. She stated if alley is closed it would prohibit deliveries from being made to her property where deliveries are currently made. Alderwoman Simpson asked if this was the only access, Ms. Smith stated yes. Mayor Reagor asked if access could be made available. Ms. Lisa Miiller stated Ms. Smith's alleyway is closed. Ms. Smith stated there was no reason for her to believe the alley was not available when she bought her property. At this time, hearing no other comments, Mayor Reagor closed the public hearing at 5:55 p.m. and asked the property owners work out an access with the City Manager.

H. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Council member so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the Agenda.

1. Approval of the special called City Council Town Hall meeting minutes as written dated May 3, 2012.

Mayor Mike Reagor/Toni Milam, City Secretary

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel, with a second by Alderwoman Puryear to approve the minutes as written, dated May 3, 2012. With there being no further discussion, motion was approved.

2. Approval of the regular called Llano City Council meeting minutes as written dated May 7, 2012, reconvening on May 8, 2012.

Mayor Mike Reagor/Toni Milam, City Secretary

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel, with a second by Alderman J. R. Decker to approve the minutes as corrected to reflect in item #6, public comments made by Susan Cox is included in the minutes as being opposed to the electronic signs. With there being no further discussion, motion was approved.

I. REGULAR AGENDA ITEMS

1. Discuss and consider the selection of the Mayor Pro-Tem to serve for a term of one year.

Mayor Mike Reagor/ City Council

Motion by Alderman J. R. Decker, with a second by Alderwoman Puryear to name Alderman Mike Hazel as Mayor Pro-Tem to serve for a term of one year. With there being no further discussion, motion was approved.

2. Discussion and presentation from "Chip" Parrish, D.D.S., and Kim Murray, D.D.S., regarding fluoridation in the Llano Public Drinking Water System.

Finley deGraffenried, City Manager

Dr. Parrish and Dr. Murray provided a letter to the Mayor and Council urging them to consider a public initiative to fluoridate the City's water system, stating the new system is not putting fluoride in the system at all, and there are grants available for doing so.

Mr. Ron Anderson spoke regarding this agenda item, and spoke out against adding fluoride to the public water supply. He also had a handout that he referenced fluoride as being toxic. Mr. Marc Sewell also spoke out against adding fluoride to the public water supply for the same reasons. Mr. Marion Bishop also spoke out against adding fluoride to the public water supply for cost reasons. Stated to treat the public water supply was very expensive.

No formal action taken on this agenda item.

3. Discuss and consider approval of Resolution 2012-05-21-1 denying the Mid-Tex Division of Atmos Energy Corporation's Statement of Intent to change the gas utility rates in the City of Llano.

Mayor Mike Reagor/Finley deGraffenried, City Manager

Mark McEwin representing Atmos requested Council deny the increase so that Atmos could make their appeal to the Railroad Commission.

Motion by Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel, with a second by Alderwoman Simpson to approve Resolution 2012-05-21-1 denying the Mid-Tex Division of Atmos Energy Corporation's Statement of Intent to change the gas utility rates in the City of Llano. With there being no further discussion, motion was approved.

4. Discuss and consider action on the approval of a solid waste contract between the City of Llano and IESI.

Mayor Mike Reagor/Finley deGraffenried, City Manager

Motion by Alderman Decker, with a second by Alderwoman Puryear to approve the solid waste contract between the City of Llano and IESI. With there being no further discussion, motion was approved.

5. Discuss and consider the appointment of one resident to the Planning and Zoning Board to fill the unexpired term until 12-31-2012, replacing Kelli Tudyk.

Mayor Mike Reagor

Mayor Mike Reagor recommended to the Council the nomination of Marcy Methvin to fill the unexpired term until 12-31-2012, replacing Kelli Tudyk.

Motion by Alderwoman Tudyk, with a second by Alderman Decker to confirm the nomination by Mayor Reagor to appoint Marcy Methvin to fill the unexpired term until 12-31-2012, replacing Kelli Tudyk. With there being no further discussion, motion was approved.

6. Discuss and consider Resolution 2012-05-21-2 of the City Council of the City of Llano, Texas, declaring a 60 day moratorium regarding the issuance of building permits for on-premise electronic scrolling and/or moving advertising signs and message boards.

Alderwoman Jeanne Puryear/Finley deGraffenried, City Manager

Alderwoman Puryear met with Staff and there are more issues in the sign ordinance that needed to be addressed. Thus the reason for declaring a 60 day moratorium regarding the issuance of building permits for on-premise electronic scrolling and/or moving advertising signs and message boards. Jo Anne Smith, with the Chamber of Commerce spoke regarding this item and on behalf of the Chamber. They are considering an electronic sign at the visitor center. The marquis sign is getting changed every day but has become a liability issue. John Ferguson believes this decision would be better served at an open meeting. Alderwoman Tudyk asked if this would need to become before the P/Z Board. Not required to go before the P/Z Board.

Motion by Alderwoman Puryear, with a second by Mayor Pro-Tem Hazel to approve Resolution 2012-05-21-2 of the City Council of the /City of Llano, declaring a 60 day moratorium regarding the issuance of building permits for on-premise electronic scrolling and/or moving advertising signs and message boards. With there being no further discussion, motion was approved.

7. Discussion only with direction to Staff to research and investigate costs and designs of drainage projects at Parkview Acres and Flag Creek Drive.

Mayor Mike Reagor/Finley deGraffenried, City Manager

City Manager, Finley deGraffenried began with a series of photos showing the drainage issues at Parkview Acres and Flag Creek Drive. Property owner Leah Rosas stated her home is not in the floodplain, however, stated the culverts are getting backed up. She would like to see the City lower Lauderdale and wants to impress upon Council the urgency of getting it fixed. Ms. Lois Laxson reminded Council that a preliminary drainage investigation and engineering recommendations were made back in 2010. She wants to know what and when something is going to be done. She has pumped water and does have flood insurance. Mr. James Bond spoke and advised he gets the residual water from Flag Creek, but stated the City has tried to help, and believes more drainage is needed. Alderwoman Simpson and Alderwoman Tudyk agree it's time to do something. Bob File has watched the water since 1999 and he believes whatever was done at the 88 acres is the cause for the flooding at Ms. Laxson's and others. Lonnie Craven stated he has heard several opinions from Engineers, although he's not an expert, and he doesn't believe it's a backflow problem. City Manager, Finley deGraffenried stated he would like to get some local contractors on the ground, get with the Engineers and bring back to Council. No formal action taken.

8. Discuss, review, and consider draft ordinance regarding construction noise in or near residential areas, starting and ending times for construction and possible notification requirements for affected individuals.

Alderman Sherry Simpson/Finley deGraffenried, City Manager

Discussion was held regarding the draft ordinance for construction noise in or near residential areas, starting and ending times for construction and notification requirements for individuals. Alderman Tudyk asked about the time involved in notifying the neighbors. Hopefully this would be done by the Contractor. It was suggested that 8 p.m. would be a more appropriate time for the ending times for construction.

Motion by Alderman Simpson, with a second by Alderman Puryear to change the ending time to 8 p.m. and to send the draft ordinance to legal for review. With there being no further discussion, motion was approved.

J. COUNCIL AND STAFF REPORTS

City Manager's Report.

Finley deGraffenried, City Manager

City Manager, Finley deGraffenried reported Two Pro Golf Management has hired Golf Pro Bill Means who will be responsible for the Pro Shop and instruction at the course.

All pump components are in stock for the City's emergency well located next to the water treatment plant. Once power is run to the well by City crews, the well will be operational and ready for further bacteriological and chemical testing.

Staff will be scheduling individual meetings with Council to discuss budget priorities and projects of interest.

The Arena Media Event at the new Llano Event Center and Rodeo Arena was exceptional. Print, television media, congressional staffers, event promoters, representatives from area chambers and tourism directors were invited and attended.

The LEDC Board will wait to convey the arena and soccer field to the City until next month. Staff has met with representatives from Bureau Veritas to initiate the contract or plan review and inspection services. BV has also offered to review the City's applications and tracking documents for consistency with their services and has offered to conduct inspections with City Staff.

Staff, grant writers and consulting engineers are working to package a grant application to the Texas Department of Agriculture. The Grant will include the Engineering and development of up to three additional ground water wells, and current the group is fine tuning development and engineering estimates.

K. ADJOURNMENT With there being no other business to contract, Council adjourned at 7:10 p.m.


Mike Hazel, Mayor Pro-Tem



ATTEST:


Toni Milam, TRMC City Secretary