

CITY OF SMITHVILLE

September 11, 2017

COUNCIL MEETING

Present: Mayor Saunders, Councilmembers Joanna Morgan, Bennie Rooks, Bill Gordon, Troy Streuer, and City Manager Tamble. Not Present Rhonda Janak

Open Meeting: Call to order: Mayor Saunders called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation: Paul Sweatland from the RVIC's Church gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance: Councilman Streuer led the pledge.

Recognition/Awards/Proclamations/Announcements/Presentations: Mayor Saunders read a proclamation for "National Night Out" and multiple proclamations honoring all the volunteers that helped out with Hurricane Harvey Roswell New Mexico, Jim Marling, Farmers County Market, Washington Avenue Elementary, Smithville Area Chamber of Commerce, Mission u-too, Texas Baptist Men disaster recovery unit, Cowboy Church, Grace Lutheran Church, Abundant Grace Community Church, First Baptist Church, Ministerial Alliance, Born again Emporium, HEB, Brookshire Brothers, Chick-Fil-A, Republic Services, and Micklethwait Barbeque. Robert Tamble introduced Hannibal Lokumbe and started that the City has commissioned a piece of his music. Hannibal said that the Philadelphia orchestra will be playing this music and the City of Smithville will be recognized as having commissioned this piece. He also said that the Smithville schools are learning this piece. Hannibal then played for the audience.

Approval of the minutes from the August 14, 2017 Council Meeting and Public Hearing August 30, 2017 Public Hearing and Budget Workshop, and September 6, 2017 Public Hearing and Budget workshop: Councilwoman Morgan moved to approve the minutes as written. Councilman Gordon seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

Public Hearing:

Hear Citizen Comments on the 2017/2018 Fiscal Year Budget: No one signed up to speak for or against the Fiscal Budget.

Open Meeting:

Discussion and Action on a Resolution setting Public Hearing on petition of annexation for 97.170 Acres in the Edward Burleson Survey, A-16 (Property ID #72231) owner Hurta Land, Inc. Councilwoman Morgan made a motion to approve the resolution, Councilman Gordon seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Action on an appointment of Resident Member to the Housing Authority Board: Councilman Rooks made a motion to approve Sandy Meyers to a one year appointment to the Housing Authority Board. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Action on authorizing the City to enter into an agreement for access and force main easement with James and Patsy Welch for the 7th Street detention Pond: Councilman Gordon made a motion to approve the agreement. Councilman Streuer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Action on authorizing the City to enter into an agreement for cost participation of a wastewater line with 3T5, LLC at 674 NW Loop 230: Councilman Streuer made a motion to approve the agreement. Councilman Gordon seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Action on an Ordinance adopting the 2017/2018 Fiscal Year Budget: Councilman Gordon made a motion to approve the 2017/2018 Fiscal Budget. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Action on an Ordinance adopting the 2017/2018 Fiscal Year Tax Rate: Councilman Gordon made a motion to approve the 2017/2018 Fiscal Year Tax Rate. Councilman Streuer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Discussion and Action on a Resolution adjusting the fees for Water Services, Wastewater Services, Electric Services, Garbage Services, Insufficient Service Fee, Electric Reconnect Fee,

and Emergency Reconnect Fee: Councilman Streuer made a motion to approve the Water Services rate increase. Councilman Gordon seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Councilwoman Morgan made a motion to approve the Wastewater Service rate increase. Councilman Gordon seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Councilman Rooks made a motion to approve the Electric Service rate increase. Councilwoman Morgan seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Councilwoman Morgan made a motion to approve the Garbage rate increase. Councilman Streuer seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Councilman Streuer made a motion to approve the Insufficient Fund Check Service fee increase. Councilman Gordon seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Councilman Streuer made a motion to approve the Utility Reconnect Service Fee increase. Councilman Rooks seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously. Councilman Streuer made a motion to approve the Emergency Utility Reconnect Service Fee increase. Councilman Gordon seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously.

Approval of the Financial Report: Councilman Gordon made a motion to approve the report. Councilwoman Morgan seconded and the motion passed unanimously.

The meeting adjourned at 6:43 p.m.

Scott Saunders Jr., Mayor

Attest:

Jennifer Lynch, Asst. City Secretary