

Open Forum:
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CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF EAST TAWAKONI, TEXAS
TUESDAY, JUNE 18th, 2019 @ 7:00 pm

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EAST TAWAKONI CITY COUNCIL ON TUESDAY, JUNE 18th @ 7:00PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS OF EAST TAWAKONI, AT WHICH MEETING THE FOLLOWING ITEMS OF BUSINESS WILL BE CONSIDERED, TO-WIT:

The City Council of the East Tawakoni reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session at any time to discuss any of the matters listed below, as authorized by Texas Government Code Sections 551.071 (Consultation with Attorney), 551.072 (Deliberations Regarding Real Property), 551.073 (Deliberations Regarding Prospective Gifts), 551.074 (Personnel Matters), 551.076 (Deliberations Regarding Security Devices) and 551.087 (Economic Development).

MINUTES

Mayor Harold Chandler called the meeting to order at 7pm.

The following council members were present: David Rose, Julie Evans, Chris Roberts, Chuck McDermott, Pam Patterson. Council members absent: None

Mayor Chandler led the pledges to the US and Texas flags.

Mayor Chandler led the invocation.

OLD BUSINESS:

The consent items are considered to be self-explanatory and will be enacted with one motion.

Motion made to accept the consent items in the entirety.

Motion made by: Pam Patterson

Motion seconded by: Chris Roberts

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott, Patterson

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Discussion on a new building for the Police Department and City Offices next to the storm shelter was addressed. Both buildings are falling apart and getting band aided and the City needs to start looking at replacement. Council discussed needing more information and asked Councilman Rose to research options that would be available to be placed on the agenda at a later time.

Motion made to allow time to Councilman Rose to research and then get with the Mayor on the information of his findings to be placed on a future agenda.

Motion made by: Pam Patterson

Motion seconded by: Chris Roberts

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott, Patterson

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

NEW BUSINESS:

No Citizens signed up to speak during Open Forum.

Diana Gaston with Gaston Sanitation Services presented the rate increase for garbage service. The increase would be \$0.21 for residential service and \$0.51 for commercial hand pickup service monthly. Mayor Chandler stated it was a modest increase and asked the Council to decide if we would need to pass this increase along to the citizens. David Rose stated the City cannot afford to take on the increase without passing it along. Motion made to accept the rate increase as proposed and to pass the increase along to the customers effective July 1, 2019.

Motion made by: Pam Patterson

Motion seconded by: Chuck McDermott

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott, and Patterson

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Terri Rose with Planning and Zoning brought a recommendation from Planning and Zoning to allow the resident located at 497 Old Mill an exception to the ordinance to allow a variance to rebuild on the same footprint as the home has been located on since the home was built in 1960. Letters were presented to Planning and Zoning from the adjoining neighbors stating they had no issues with the home being rebuilt on the same footprint.

Motion made to allow the home to be rebuilt on the same footprint as the original home as recommended by Planning and Zoning.

Motion made by: Pam Patterson

Motion seconded by: Chris Roberts

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott, and Patterson

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Discussion to allow Chuck McDermott to allow a term extension on the Economic Development Board for Chuck McDermott to remain as the Secretary/Treasurer until the end of December 2019 to allow for the Board to find a replacement.

Motion made to allow the extension to allow Chuck McDermott to remain as the Secretary/Treasurer until the end of December 2019.

Motion made by: Pam Patterson

Motion seconded by: David Rose

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, and Patterson

All opposed: None

Abstained: Chuck McDermott

Motion: Carries

Discussion on the updated fee schedule with Bureau Veritas for Building inspections due to passage of HB 852 to be effective immediately. The fees should remain about the same or possibly lower than what it is paid at this time by the citizens requiring permits.

Motion made to accept the new rate fees and follow the schedule as set out by Bureau Veritas.

Motion made by: Pam Patterson

Motion seconded by: Julie Evans

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott, and Patterson

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Mark Wilkinson gave the Water Report.

Jeff Swaggerty gave the Police Report.

Jeff Swaggerty gave the Code Enforcement Report.

David Rose gave the Fire Report.

Regina Chandler gave the EDC report. She stated that the EDC is discussing options for the City property. They are in discussions for organizing a 5K run. EDC is also looking for more members to join the Tourism Board.

Terri Rose gave the Planning and Zoning report. They are meeting regarding a change in zoning from Agriculture to Residential. The property owner was instructed to contact the appraisal district and then Planning and Zoning will reintroduce this to the City Council and go forward with a recommendation.

No one present for the Spirit of East Tawakoni to give report.

No one present for the Library to give report.

During Council comments HL Thomas stated that the shelter did open even though a Code Red was not issued during the most current storms. He wanted to thank the Police Department for taking action to open and keep the shelter open and make sure the residents had a safe place to go.

Motion made to adjourn the June 18, 2019 City Council Meeting at 7:50pm.

Motion made by: Chris Roberts

Motion seconded by: David Rose

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott, and Patterson

All opposed: None

Motion carries

APPROVE:

ATTEST:

HAROLD CHANDLER, MAYOR

ELINKA M. HARPER, CITY SECRETARY

CERTIFICATE

I, the undersigned authority, do hereby certify that the preceding Notice of the Regular Meeting, City Council of East Tawakoni with scheduled Agenda is a true and correct copy of said notice; and that same Notice and Agenda was posted June 11th, 2019 @ 5pm in the glass notice case outside of City Hall which is convenient and readily accessible to the general public at all times and remained so posted continuously for at least 72 hours preceding the scheduled time of meeting.

ELINKA M. HARPER, CITY SECRETARY