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CITY COUNCIL
CITY OF EAST TAWAKONI, TEXAS
TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th, 2019 @ 7:00pm

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN FOR THE REGULAR MEETING OF THE EAST TAWAKONI CITY COUNCIL ON TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17th, 2019 @ 7:00PM IN THE CITY HALL 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, and Chuck McDermott Council members absent: Pam Patterson

Mayor Harold Chandler led the pledges to the US and Texas Flags.

Mayor Chandler stated that in lieu of anniversary of the 9/11 attacks he has asked Regina Chandler to read a tribute. After the reading of the tribute, Mayor Chandler asked everyone to observe a 15 second moment of silence.

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 their entirety.

Motion made by: Chris Roberts

Motion seconded by: Chuck McDermott

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Terri Rose with the Planning and Zoning Commission addressed the Council in regards to the property located at Hwy 276 and RSCR 1530 owned by Dennis Guillion in changing the zoning from residential to multi-family to build an apartment complex with 12 units consisting of 3 buildings of 4 units each. Rose stated that the notifications had been made to all residents within the area. They conducted two public hearings with which some citizens responded. The recommendation from Planning and Zoning is to allow the change in the zoning for this tract of property.

Motion: Approve the change in zoning from Residential to Multi-family for the tract of property requested.

Motion made by: Chris Roberts

Motion seconded by: Chuck McDermott

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

NEW BUSINESS:

Discussion on accepting and taking action to approve and adopt the City of East Tawakoni 2020 budget. Mayor Chandler read Ordinance 09-2019-1 for Fiscal Year 2020.

Motion: To adopt all 3 sections of Ordinance 09-2019-01 for Fiscal Year 2020 in its entirety.

Motion made by: Chris Roberts

Motion seconded by: Julie Evans

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Council discussed allowing or not allowing discounts for City of East Tawakoni property taxes.

Motion: To allow discounts for property taxes for 2019.

Motion made by: Chuck McDermott

Motion seconded by: Chris Roberts

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Mayor Chandler read the Ordinance Levying a Tax Rate for the City of East Tawakoni Tax Year 2019, Ordinance No. 09-2019-2.

Motion made to adopt the Ordinance Levying the Tax Rate for the City of East Tawakoni Tax Year 2019 and keeping the same tax rate the same as last year at .6103 with no change.

Motion made by: Julie Evans

Motion seconded by: Chuck McDermott

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Council discussed the Contract with Rains County Appraisal District for Assessment and Collection Services effective January 1, 2020 to December 31, 2020.

Motion: Approve and accept the Contract with the Rains County Appraisal District for Assessment and Collection Services for 2020.

Motion made by: Julie Evans

Motion seconded by: David Rose

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Discussion with Council regarding the Professional Services Agreement with Hayter Engineering Inc for providing assistance regarding development in the City and any other smaller items the City would request their assistance. May Chandler stated that with our expanding population and demand on our services Hayter Engineering would use their due diligence to research and ensure that we are able to provide services at a controlled pace within our scope of services. Mayor Chandler is amazed by the requests to expand and develop properties with the City. Our water/sewer are very critical areas.

Motion: To accept the Professional Services Agreement with Hayter Engineering.

Motion made by: Julie Evans

Motion seconded by: Chris Roberts

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott

All opposed: None

Motions: Carries

Discussion requiring a developer to submit a time phase development plan which includes anticipated number of new residences desired by the requestor. Mayor Chandler stated that the City has numerous old plats in our possession of subdivisions that go back to the 1970's and 1980's. Council would need to review those and our Ordinances to discuss whether these same plats would be valid at this date. Many new homes and developments are coming into the City and area supported by our water and/or sewer system.

Motion: To develop a plan and decide how to carry out a development plan for the City services and modify as needs develop.

Motion made by: Chuck McDermott

Motion seconded by: Chris Roberts

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott

All opposed: None

Motion: Carries

Mark Wilkinson gave the Water/Sewer report.

Chief Steven Prock gave the Police report.

Officer John Swaggerty gave the Code Enforcement report.

Angie gave the Volunteer Fire report.

Regina Chandler gave the Economic Development Report.

Terri Rose stated there was nothing further from the Planning and Zoning Commission.

Robin McPeters gave the Spirit of East Tawakoni Report. The Spirit of East Tawakoni will be hosting Truck or Treat, Thursday, October 31st at the Volunteer Fire Department from 6 to 8pm, the annual Thanksgiving bake sale, Tuesday, November 26th at Tawakoni Grocery, and the Christmas parade will be Saturday, December 7th at 10am with the theme being Christmas at the Lake.

HL Thomas gave the Library Report.

Greg Bostick signed up for Open Forum and asked that he be given consideration for receiving water and sewer for the property he bought located on Center Dr. Mayor Chandler stated that the Council could not respond during the Council meeting, but he would meet with him to discuss his concerns at a later time.

No council comments.

Motion: To adjourn the September 17, 2019 City Council meeting at 8:05pm.

Motion made by: Chris Roberts

Motion seconded by: Chuck McDermott

All in favor: Rose, Evans, Roberts, McDermott

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 September 13th, 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