

REGULAR MEETING

July 9, 2013

7:00 p.m.

There being a quorum present, Mayor Saunders called the meeting to order at 7:05 p.m.

Newly appointed council member, Bruce Franklin was sworn in.

Council members present: Brandon Blue, Greg Allen, and Bruce Franklin

Absent: Rick Neumayer and Ann Fessenden

Allen made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda to include the Minutes to the last meeting and budget review and payment of bills. Blue seconded the motion.

Votes:

For –Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 3-0

Public Comment:

Marie Graham stated that she has a new appreciation for the Kerens Police Department and thanked Chief Miers for his help with one of her Alzheimer residents who had wandered off. She also asked about the status of the horse kept by her neighbor.

After some discussion, no action was taken on budget preparation for FYE 9/30/14. Scott stated that she was waiting for quotes on health insurance.

Allen made a motion to re-appoint Cindy Scott as City Secretary, Bryan Miers as Chief of Police, and Connie Hickman as Municipal Judge. Franklin seconded the motion. Votes:

For –Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 3-0

Allen made a motion to appoint Rick Neumayer as voting representative to North Central Texas Council of Governments. Franklin seconded the motion. Votes:

For –Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 3-0

After some discussion, consideration of the proposed budget for Navarro Central Appraisal District died from lack of motion.

After some discussion, consideration of nominations for Director of Navarro Central Appraisal District died from lack of motion.

Blue made a motion to allow the Oncor Cities Steering Committee to represent the city in the Energy Future Holdings Bankruptcy proceedings. Allen seconded the motion. Votes:

For –Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 3-0

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Consideration of nominations for North Central Texas Council of Governments Public Works Council died from lack of motion.

Blue made a motion to table consideration of Union Pacific Railroad's request for additional crossing closures for further information. Allen seconded the motion.

Votes:

For –Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 3-0

Allen made a motion to change employment status of Officer Robert Cook to permanent full-time with full benefits and a pay increase of \$2.00 per hour. Franklin seconded the motion. Votes:

For –Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 3-0

Blue made a motion to let the construction contract for Grant #712159 to the apparent low bidder Capps-Capco Const., Inc. in the amount of \$243,310.00. Allen seconded the motion. Votes:

For –Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 3-0

Operations

- **Property Inspections** – 3 lots mowed and cleaned up, 2 occupancy inspections, and a4 vehicles abated this month.
- **Water Dept.** – No major problems to report.
- **Sewer Dept.** – no major problems to report.
- **Street Dept.** – Asphalt and gravel repairs continue.
- **Police Dept.** – Chief Miers reported that the department continues to be busy. Two Tahoes have been ordered.
- **Animal Control** – No new problems.
- **Court** – No problems to report.
- **Tax Dept.** – Russell Hudson's report shows 91.23% of current taxes collected as of June 30, 2013.
- **Office** – No problems.
- **Grants** – No further information.
- **Economic Development** – No new information
- **Long Range Planning** – No new information.

Allen made a motion to adjourn the meeting. Blue seconded the motion. Votes:

For –Blue, Allen, and Franklin

Against – None

Passed – 3-0

With no further business to transact, Mayor Saunders adjourned the meeting at 8:00 p.m.

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Jeffrey Saunders, Mayor

Attest:

Cindy Scott, City Secretary