

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session Thursday, October 3, 2013 in council chambers at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Joe D. Hermes, Councilmember William Selders, Ray Chavarria, Jean Sorensen and Maxine Price were present. Councilmember Justin Bonnot was absent. Also present were City Manager Ken Knight, City Secretary Becky Miska, Finance Director Olga Salomon, Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge and EMS Director Loyd Chase.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD SEPTEMBER 19, 2013:

Councilmember Chavarria made the motion to approve minutes of the city council meeting held September 19, 2013. Councilmember Price seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS: Chris Lundstrom-Herald Tribune and Cindy Shilinga

HEARING OF VISITORS:

“At this time, comments will be heard from the audience on any subject matter that is not on the agenda. In accordance, with the Open Meeting Act, City Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda.”

There were no comments.

DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CONSIDER THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE ESD #3 AND THE CITY OF EDNA AS AMENDED:

City Manager Ken Knight noted at the ESD #3 Board's last meeting an amendment was made to Item B on page 10. Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the ESD #3 and the City of Edna as outlined and amended. Councilmember Chavarria seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CONSIDER APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT TO THE HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD:

City Secretary Miska reported that Gloria Manzanalez and Aundrea Ware were both willing to server another term. Councilmember Selders made the motion to reappoint Gloria Manzanalez and Aundrea Ware to the Housing Authority Board. Councilmember Sorensen seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS / REAPPOINTMENTS TO THE PLANNING & ZONING COMMISSION:

City Secretary Miska reported that Joan Stallings and Lois Drushel were both willing to serve another term. Councilmember Price made the motion to reappoint Joan Stallings and Lois Drushel to the Planning & Zoning Commission for another term. Councilmember Chavarria seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER THE FIRST READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2013-09 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDNA

DEFINING TERMS; CREATING OFFENSE FOR MINORS, PARENTS AND GUARDIANS OF MINORS; PROVIDING DEFENSES; PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT; PROVIDING FOR WAIVER BY THE MUNICIPAL COURT OF JURISDICTION OVER A MINOR WHEN REQUIRED UNDER THE TEXAS FAMILY CODE; PROVIDING A PENALTY NOT TO EXCEED \$500; PROVIDING A REPEALING CLAUSE, PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING FOR AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge noted the juvenile curfew ordinance is required to be renewed every three years. Councilmember Sorensen made the motion to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 2013-09 an ordinance of the City of Edna defining terms; creating offense of minors, parents and guardians of minors; providing defenses; providing for enforcement by the Police Department; providing for waiver by the Municipal Court of jurisdiction over a minor when required under the Texas Family Code; providing a penalty not to exceed \$500; providing a repealing clause, providing a severability clause; and providing for an effective date. Councilmember Price seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO APPROVE REQUEST FROM THE FIRST BAPTIST CHURCH FOR THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF THE 300 BLOCK OF COTTONWOOD STREET, THE 200 BLOCK OF CHURCH STREET, AND POSSIBLY THE 300 BLOCK OF HANOVER DIRECTLY BEHIND THE CHURCH IN ORDER TO HOLD THE 7TH ANNUAL “TRUNK OR TREAT” ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 27, 2013 FROM 6:00 P.M. TO 8:00 P.M.:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve request from First Baptist Church for the temporary closure of the 300 block of Cottonwood Street, the 200 block of Church Street, and possibly the 300 block of Hanover directly behind the church in order to hold the 7th Annual “Trunk or Treat” on Sunday, October 27, 2013 from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Councilmember Chavarria seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER BREAST CANCER AWARENESS MONTH:

Mayor Hermes noted that October is Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Councilmember Chavarria made the motion to approve the proclamation recognizing October as Breast Cancer Awareness Month. Councilmember Selders seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve payment of current bills in the amount of \$124,079.48. Councilmember Selders seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CITY STAFF REPORTS:

“At this time, the City Council will hear reports / updates on all committees or department assignments, which may include, but is not limited to the following: Police Department-grant updates, police report; Fire Department-grant updates, fire reports; Public Works Department-park reports, water & sewer line updates, street repairs/projects; City Manager & City Secretary-public information; Finance Director-financial report; Code Enforcement-progress reports on code issues. No formal action can be taken on these items.”

City Manager Ken Knight noted that Texas Municipal League Conference is next week and he will be leaving on Tuesday. Arriving on Wednesday will be Joe Hermes, Ray Chavarria, Jean Sorensen and Margarette Wright. Garbage service has begun with the new contractor, Republic Services. **Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge** reported the Edna Police Department has received a few applications for the patrolman position. **Finance Director Olga Salomon** stated she has been