REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session Thursday, February 6, 2014 in council chambers at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Joe D. Hermes, Councilmember William Selders, Jean Sorensen and Maxine Price were present. Councilmember Justin Bonnot was absent. City Manager Ken Knight, City Secretary Becky Miska, Finance Director Olga Salomon, Sargeant/Edna Police Department Bruce McConathy, Director of Public Works Brad Ryan and EMS Director/Fire Marshal Loyd Chase were also present.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD JANUARY 16, 2014: Councilmember Price made the motion to approve minutes of the city council meeting held January 16, 2014. Councilmember Selders seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS: David L. Webel, Robert Duarte, Arden D. Vesley and Chris Lundstrom-Jackson County Herald Tribune

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."

David Webel asked the council about the status of the Quiet Zone. Mr. Knight and Mayor Hermes explained that BEFCO Engineers were proceeding with the (NOI) Notice of Intent from the City.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM THE FLAG CITY OPRY FOR FUNDING FROM THE CURRENT CITY'S BUDGETED HOTEL/MOTEL TAX ACCOUNT:

City Manager Ken Knight noted this request was taken into consideration during budget workshops. Councilmember Sorensen made the motion to approve the request from the Flag City Opry for funding from the current city's budgeted hotel/motel tax account in the amount of $5,000.00. Councilmember Price seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON REPLACING THE POLES AND LIGHTS AT THE SOFTBALL FIELD AT SHELBY PARK, DECLARING SUCH ACTION AN EMERGENCY AND APPROVE RESOLUTION NO. R-2014-01 FOR FINANCING:

City Manager Ken Knight reported to council that two lights had fallen off the poles at the Little League and softball fields. Upon inspection it was decided that all the lights at those fields should be replaced for safety reasons. It was also noted that Little League season is set to begin March 21st. Knight went onto ask for the authorization to approve a quote and sign for financing. At an estimated cost per field of $72,500.00 for four poles per field, the total cost should be at $145,260.00. City Manager Knight said Edna Independent School District would help with the cost, but no figures had been decided. Delivery and installation could take up to two months, thus complicating things for spectators since the bleachers at the softball field will be corded off for safety. Knight added once the new lights are installed, everything should be good to go. Councilmember Sorensen made the motion to approve replacing the poles and lights at the softball field at Shelby Park with a $150,000.00 ceiling, declaring such action an emergency and approve Resolution No. R-2014-01 for financing. Councilmember Selders seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO CONSIDER APPOINTMENT TO THE JACKSON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & AGRICULTURE BOARD TO SERVE AS THE CITY OF EDNA'S REPRESENTATIVE:
Councilmember Price made the motion to table this agenda item. Councilmember Sorensen seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER 2-1-1 PROCLAMATION RECOGNIZING THE VALUE OF THE REGIONAL INFORMATION AND REFERRAL SERVICES TO OUR COMMUNITY:
Councilmember Sorensen made the motion to approve the 2-1-1 Proclamation recognizing the value of the regional information and referral services to our community. Councilmember Selders seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON ACCEPTING DONATIONS FOR THE CITY OF EDNA'S "SPECIAL PROJECT:"
City Manager Ken Knight reported that the City of Edna had accepted two donations totaling $550.00 to be used towards the "special project." Councilmember Price made the motion to accept the two donations of $550.00. Councilmember Selders seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER BIDS FOR DISPOSITION OF THE HOUSE LOCATED AT 823 N. WELLS STREET:
City Manager Knight reported that there were no bids received for the disposition of the house located at 823 N. Wells Street. City crews will demolition the house within the next two weeks.

CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:
Councilmember Price made the motion to approve payment of current bills in the amount of $216,414.47. 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 reported that KSA Engineers will be presenting rendering from the street level and Hwy 59; city manager's clinic will be held in Salado on February 27th & 28th. There is a

Director of Public Works Brad Ryan noted he had already given his report during the discussion of lights at Shelby Park. **City Secretary Becky Miska** noted that filing for place on ballot has begun for District 3, District 4 and District 5.

ADJOURN:
Councilmember Price made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Selders seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

APPROVED:______________________________
Mayor Joe D. Hermes

ATTEST:____________________________
Becky Miska, City Secretary