

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session on Tuesday, November 10, 2020 in council chambers at 6:00 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Lance Smiga called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. The council stood for the moment of silence, followed by the council and audience reciting the Pledge of Allegiance. Councilmember District 1 Dustin Muncrief, Councilmember District 2 Wayne Callis, Councilmember District 3 Rick Boone, Councilmember 4 Elizabeth Sommerfeld and Councilmember District 5 Johnny Vasquez were in attendance. City Manager Gary Broz, City Secretary Becky Miska, Finance Director Olga Salomon, Director of Public Works Brad Ryan, and Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge were in attendance. Minutes were recorded by City Secretary Becky Miska.

VISITORS: Velma Vasquez, Justin Sommerfeld, Belinda Dodds, Mike Dodds, Shawn Dodds, John Meng – Jackson County Herald Tribune

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING OCTOBER 15, 2020:

Councilmember Callis made the motion to approve minutes of the City Council meetings held October 15, 2020. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CANVASS RETURNS OF THE CITY OF EDNA GENERAL ELECTION HELD TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 3, 2020 AND DECLARE RESULTS:

City Secretary Miska addressed the council noting the results of the November 3rd election. Councilmember Callis made the motion to accept the City of Edna General Election returns from Tuesday, November 3, 2020. Councilmember Muncrief seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

PRESENTATION TO ELIZABETH SOMMERFELD FOR HER DEDICATED SERVICE TO THE CITY OF EDNA AND DISTRICT 4:

Mayor Lance Smiga thanked Elizabeth Sommerfeld for her service as City Councilmember District 4 and service to the community. Mayor presented a plaque to Elizabeth.

ADMINISTER OATH OF OFFICE TO ELECTED OFFICIALS FOR THE NOVEMBER 3, 2020 GENERAL ELECTION: COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT 4 – MIKE A. DODDS AND COUNCILMEMBER DISTRICT 5 – JOHNNY VASQUEZ:

City Secretary Miska administered the Oath of Office to elected officials for the November 3, 2020 General Election: Councilmember District 4 – Mike A. Dodds and Councilmember District 5 – Johnny Vasquez.

CONFIRM MAYOR PRO-TEM APPOINTMENT:

Mayor Smiga stated that Councilmember Callis has done an excellent job as Mayor Pro-Tem and would like him to continue serving as Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilmember Muncrief made the motion to approve Wayne Callis to continue as Mayor Pro-Tem. Councilmember Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

HEARING OF VISTIORS:

“During the council meeting, as each item is addressed, the council shall also allow the audience to speak on any subject matter that is posted on the agenda in accordance with HB 2840.” Please limit comments – two minutes.

There were no comments.

DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM MR. HARE FOR A COMMUNITY GARDEN WATER CONNECTION AND SUPPLY:

Geary Hare addressed the council about his plans for a community garden on Drake Street. Mr. Hare stated he would till the gardens and oversee them. Councilmember Muncrief made the motion to move forward the request from Mr. Hare for a community garden water connection and supply. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE POSSIBLE ACTION TO CONSIDER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EDNA AND THE JACKSON COUNTY EMERGENCY SERVICES DISTRICT NO. 3 TO RECOGNIZE BENEFITS TO BE GAINED BY CITIZENS OF ALL ENTITIES IN WORKING TOGETHER TO PROVIDE SERVICES TO THE COMMUNITY:

Councilmember Muncrief made the motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Edna and the Jackson County Emergency Services District No. 3 to recognize benefits to be gained by city of all entities in working together to provide services to the community. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER AWARDDING BID FOR THE 2019-2020 SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS TXCDBG CONTRACT NO. 721930:

City Manager Broz reported on the recent bid results and recommended J&R Construction. Councilmember Dodds made the motion to approve awarding the bid for the 2019-2020 Sanitary Sewer Improvements TXCDBG Contract No. 721930 to J&R Construction. Councilmember Muncrief seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER AWARDDING BID FOR THE 2018-2019 SANITARY SEWER IMPROVEMENTS GLO CDBG-DR CONTRACT NO. 20-065-032-C109:

City Manager Broz reported on the recent bid results and recommended Supak Construction. Councilmember Muncrief made the motion to approve awarding the bid for the 2018-2019 Sanitary Sewer Improvements for the GLO CDBG-DR Contract No. 20-065-32-C109 to Supak Construction. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EDNA AND JACKSON COUNTY FOR EXCHANGE OF ROUTINE MAINTENANCE AND SERVICES; TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Broz noted the council had previously approved this agreement but the County wanted to make a couple of amendments. Councilmember Vazquez made the motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Edna and Jackson County for exchange of routine maintenance and services as amended. Councilmember Muncrief seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EDNA AND JACKSON COUNTY FOR APPLICATION OF CARES ACT FUNDS; TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

Councilmember Muncrief made the motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Edna and Jackson County for application of Cares Act Funds. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER DECLARING LIST OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT; TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Broz presented a list of surplus equipment that the city no longer uses or needs. Councilmember Dodds made the motion to approve the declared list of surplus equipment. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AWARDING CONTRACT FOR AUCTION SERVICES; TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Broz noted that the county uses Lemons Auctioneers, LLC and Online Pros to provide online auction services. Councilmember Dodds made the motion to approve for auction services. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER AWARDING BID FOR DEMOLITION OF TWO STRUCTURES:

City Manager Broz reported on the bids received and the results. The lowest bidder was Jason Stafford. Councilmember Dodds made the motion to approve awarding the bid to Jason Stafford for the demolition of two structures. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER NON-EMERGENCY PATIENT TRANSFERS FROM THE CITY OF EDNA; AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

Mayor Smiga asked that he be request this item. Councilmember Muncrief noted that the City of Edna already has an excellent transfer service at the Jackson County Hospital District. Councilmember Muncrief made the motion to deny another company for the non-emergency patient transfers from the City of Edna. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS COVID-19 AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

Mayor Smiga noted the number of cases have been on the decline.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER TML HEALTH INSURANCE OPTIONS; TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Broz reviewed the options presented by TML Health and recommended Option 1. Councilmember Muncrief made the motion approve the City of Edna to go with Option 1. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER 2020-2021 HOLIDAY SCHEDULE:

City Manager Broz present the 2020-2021 Holiday Schedule. Councilmember Muncrief made the motion approve the 2020-2021 Holiday Schedule as presented. Councilmember Dodds seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER SAFETY PROGRAM UPDATES:

City Manager Broz reviewed the changes to the Safety Program. Councilmember Dodds made the motion to approve the Safety Program as presented. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER CONTRACT EXTENSION WITH TEXAS DISPOSAL SYSTEMS AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEMED NECESSARY:

City Manager Broz reported that the County has decided to go with the Texas Disposal Contract with a three year extension. Councilmember Callis made the motion. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS AND RATIFYING PAYMENT OF BILLS PAID ON 10/01/2020:

Councilmember Callis made the motion to approve payment of current bills in the amount of \$303,949.12. Councilmember Vasquez 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 reports; Public Works Department-park reports, water & sewer updates; Street Department-repairs/projects; Code Enforcement-progress reports; City Manager & City Secretary-public information.” No formal action can be taken on these items.

ADJOURN:

Councilmember Vasquez made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

APPROVED:

Lance Smiga, Mayor

ATTEST:

Becky Miska, City Secretary