

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session, Thursday, September 1, 2016 in council chambers at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Joe Hermes presided over the meeting. Councilmembers Doug Kelley, Wayne Callis, Johnny Vasquez, Lance Smiga and Maxine Price were present. City Manager Don Doering, City Secretary Becky Miska, Finance Director Olga Salomon, Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge, Director of Public Works Brad Ryan and Water Wastewater Superintendent Greg Woodring were also present.

VISITORS: Velma Vasquez, Jimmy Lee Barnes and Chris Lundstrom-Jackson County Herald Tribune, Jimmy Roach-Urban Engineers and Tom Schmidt-Urban Engineers

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AUGUST 18, 2016:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve minutes of the city council meeting held August 18, 2016. Councilmember Clay seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

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, the Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda.” Please limit comments to two (2) minutes.

Mayor Hermes introduced Tom Schmidt and Jimmy Roach with Urban Engineers. Mr. Schmidt and Mr. Roach addressed the council and explained their scope of services.

PUBLIC HEARING:

a) **CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 2016-09 FISCAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF EDNA**

b) **CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 2016-10 FIXING THE TAX RATE AND TAX LEVY AND LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS FOR THE YEAR 2016-2017 REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith, AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

There were no public comments. Mayor Hermes noted that a request had been received from the Lone Star Rodeo Association and that all their events are held locally. City Manager Don Doering reported that the city could give the association \$2,500 from hotel/motel funds.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER CITY OF EDNA ORDINANCE NO. 2016-09 ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2016 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 REVISING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2016. APPROPRIATING THE VARIOUS AMOUNTS THEREOF; REVEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

Councilmember Kelley made the motion to approve City of Edna Ordinance No. 2016-09 adopting the budget for the City of Edna, Texas for the fiscal year beginning on October 1, 2016 and ending on September 30, 2017 revising the budget for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2016. Appropriating the various amounts thereof; revealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict therewith and declaring an effective date. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER CITY OF EDNA ORDINANCE NO. 2016-10 AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE TAX RATE AND LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS FOR THE YEAR 2016-2017 REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

Councilmember Kelley made the motion to approve City of Edna Ordinance No. 2016-10 an ordinance fixing the tax rate and levying ad valorem taxes for the City of Edna, Texas for the year 2016-2017 repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith and declaring an effective date. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER THE FIRST READING OF CITY OF EDNA ORDINANCE NO. 2016-11 AN ORDINANCE ESTABLISHING FOUR-WAY STOPS, UPON CERTAIN STREETS OR PARTS OF STREETS THEREOF, WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY OF EDNA AS SET OUT IN THIS ORDINANCE; PROVIDING A PENALTY OF A FINE NOT TO EXCEED \$200.00 FOR THE VIOLATION THEREOF:

Councilmember Callis noted that this is a corner where the school bus picks and drops off school children. Neighbors have been concerned about safety issues. Councilmember Vasquez made the motion to approve the first reading of City of Edna Ordinance No. 2016-11 an ordinance establishing four-way stops, upon certain streets or parts of streets thereof, within the corporate limits of the City of Edna as set out in this ordinance providing a penalty of a fine not to exceed \$200.00 for the violation thereof. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM THE JACKSON COUNTY FAIR ASSOCIATION TO CLOSE CERTAIN STREETS IN ORDER TO HOLD THE FAIR PARADE:

Mayor Hermes noted the fair parade will be held Saturday, October 1, 2016 with the usual route to be taken. Councilmember Kelley made the motion to approve the request from the Jackson County Fair Association to close certain streets in order to hold the fair parade. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All vote AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER HALLOWEEN ON MAIN ON MONDAY, OCTOBER 31, 2016 AND THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF MAIN STREET FROM 5:30 P.M – 7:30 P.M.:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the temporary closure of Main Street from 5:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m. on Monday, October 31, 2016 to hold the Annual Halloween On Main. Councilmember Kelley seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EDNA AND THE EDNA YOUTH FOOTBALL ASSOCIATION:

Councilmember Smiga made the motion to approve the Agreement Between the City of Edna and the Edna Youth Football Association. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE TML INTERGOVERNMENTAL RISK POOL BOARD OF TRUSTEES ELECTION:

Councilmember Price made the motion to vote for the incumbents that are running for election on the TML Intergovernmental Risk Pool Board of Trustees. Councilmember Callis seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER TML MULTISTATE PRE & POST SIXTY-FIVE RETIREE EMPLOYER FUND CONTACT OPTIONS FOR THE 2017 CALENDAR YEAR:

Councilmember Price to approve the TML MultiState Pre & Post Sixty-five Retiree Employer Fund Contact Options for the 2017 calendar year. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:

Councilmember Callis made the motion to approve payment of current bills in the amount of \$103,612.97. Councilmember Kelley 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; Public Works Department-park reports, water & sewer line updates; Street Department-street repairs/project; 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 Don Doering noted that the financing agreement for sewer box, police car and backhoe will be on the next agenda. Code Enforcement has sent numerous letters to residents concerning violations; some have been taken care of and some with resistance. The street department crews are mowing ditches as much as possible but due to the rainfall we have been experiencing it has not been an easy task. **Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge** reported on the Golden Crescent Regional Planning Commission Awards Banquet where Officer Luiz Chavez received the Kenneth Rosenquest Award. **Director of Public Works Brad Ryan** stated with weather permitting the street department will be finishing streets.

ADJOURN:

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

APPROVED:_____

Joe Hermes, Mayor

ATTEST:_____

Becky Miska, City Secretary