

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session, Thursday, July 20, 2017 in council chambers at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Joe Hermes presided over the meeting. Councilmembers Dustin Muncrief, Wayne Callis, Johnny Vasquez, Lance Smiga and Maxine Price were present. City Manager Don Doering, Director of Public Works Brad Ryan and Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge were also present. In the absence of City Secretary Becky Miska minutes were recorded by Finance Director Olga Salomon.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD JUNE 15, 2017:

Councilmember Smiga made the motion to approve minutes of the city council meeting held June 15, 2017. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS: Velma Vasquez, Jake Srp-City Attorney and Michael Brooks-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, the Council may not discuss or take action on any item which has not been posted on the agenda.”

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE RELEASING FUNDS TO MR. GEORGE PRIHODA REGARDING THE WATER AND SEWER LINES IN COUNTRY ESTATES SUBDIVISION:

City Manager Doering explained that the subdivision has been taken care of on city right-of-ways. Mayor Hermes asked City Attorney Jake Srp if any issues on the customer right-of-way failed would the city be responsible. Srp said that if an issue would arise it would be treated like any other city limits customer. Councilmember Price made the motion to approve releasing funds to Mr. George Prihoda regarding the water and sewer lines in the Country Estates Subdivision. Councilmember Smiga seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM THE SADDLE UP FOR ALZHEIMER’S FOR FUNDING FROM THE CURRENT CITY’S BUDGETED HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FOR THE 2017 FISCAL YEAR:

Councilmember Callis made the motion to approve the request from the Saddle Up for Alzheimer’s for funding from the current city’s budgeted hotel/motel tax for the 2017 fiscal year in the amount of \$250.00. Councilmember Muncrief seconded the motion. Councilmember Price noted she would like for council to consider increasing the amount next year. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY ACTION DEEEMED NECESSARY CONCERNING AN EDNA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT:

Councilmember Smiga made the motion to take no action concerning an Edna Economic Development. Councilmember Muncrief seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:

Councilmember Vasquez made the motion to approve payment of current bills in the amount of \$248,781.15. Councilmember Callis 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 & water sewer line updates; Street Department-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 Don Doering reported that the budget needs to be passed thirty (30) days before October 1, 2017. Mr. Doering stated he is impressed with Urban Engineering’s reporting of projects to the city. **Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge** that his department has had car repairs. Wooldridge noted he has been investigating on a case. **Director of Public Works Brad Ryan** stated street construction and maintenance continues and water leaks are being taken care of.

ADJOURN:

Before adjourning Mayor Hermes asked the status of the street sweeper. Director of Public Works Brad Ryan noted the street sweeper is operated only as needed. Mayor Hermes stated downtown needs to be swept as well as Gayle and Fulton. Mayor Hermes also noted he will not be here for the next council meeting on August 3, 2017. After discussion, it was decided the next council meeting will be held on Wednesday, August 9th at 6:00 p.m.

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

APPROVED: _____
Joe Hermes, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Becky Miska, City Secretary