

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session Monday, July 7, 2014 in council chambers at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Joe D. Hermes, Councilmember Richard Browning, William Selders, Maxine Price, Jean Sorensen and Johnny Vasquez. Also present were City Manager Ken Knight, City Secretary Becky Miska, Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge, Director of Public Works Brad Ryan, Finance Director Olga Salomon, EMS Director Loyd Chase and Water Wastewater Superintendent Greg Woodring.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD JUNE 19, 2014:

Councilmember Browning made the motion to approve minutes of the city council meeting held June 19, 2014. Councilmember Sorensen seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS: Velma Vasquez, Linda King, Shelley Srp and Bianca Montes-Victoria Advocate and David L. Webel

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.”

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2014-05 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDNA MODIFYING THE 1996 CODE AMENDING CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 6: HEALTH AND SANITATION ARTICLE 6.04 SMOKING TO INCLUDE E-CIGARETTES AS PROHIBITED:

Councilmember Browning made the motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2014-05 an ordinance of the City of Edna modifying the 1996 Code amending Code of Ordinances, Chapter 6: Health and Sanitation Article 6.04 SMOKING to include E-cigarettes as prohibited. Councilmember Selders seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2014-06 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDNA MODIFYING THE 1996 CODE AMENDING CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2: ANIMAL CONTROL SECTION 2.05.002 FOWL PENS (a)(1) ADJUSTING THE SIZE OF THE PEN/CLOSURE PER FOWL:

Councilmember Selders made the motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance no. 2014-06 an ordinance of the City of Edna modifying the 1996 Code amending Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2: Animal Control Section 2.05.022 Fowl Pens (a)(1) adjusting the size of the pen/closure per fowl. Councilmember Sorensen seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE NO. 2014-07 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDNA MODIFYING

THE 1996 CODE AMENDING CODE OF ORDINANCES, CHAPTER 2: ANIMAL CONTROL BY ADDING A DEFINITION TO SECTION 2.01.001 – ROOSTER: AN ADULT MALE OF THE DOMESTIC FOWL AND BY ADDING TO ARTICLE 2.05 LIVESTOCK AND FOWL SECTION 2.05.002 FOWL PENS (3) PROHIBITING THE KEEPING OF ROOSTERS AND AMENDING SECTION 2.05.002 (b) BY ADDING THAT (5) ROOSTERS MAY BE KEPT FOR LIVESTOCK SHOWS FOR A LIMITED TIME:

Councilmember Sorensen made the motion to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 2014-07 an ordinance of the City of Edna modifying the 1996 Code amending Code of Ordinances, Chapter 2: Animal Control by adding a definition to Section 2.01.001 – Rooster: An adult male of the domestic fowl and by adding to Article 2.05 LIVESTOCK AND FOWL Section 2.05.002 Fowl Pens (3) prohibiting the keeping of roosters and amending Section 2.05.002 (b) by adding that (5) roosters may be kept for livestock shows for a limited time. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON APPLYING FOR A LNRA COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT PARTNERSHIP (CDPP) GRANT APPLICATION FOR COVERING THE BLEACHERS AT THE BASEBALL FIELD AT SHELBY PARK:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the City of Edna to apply for a LNRA Community Development Partnership (CDPP) Grant application for covering the bleachers at the baseball field at Shelby Park. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ON REQUEST FROM JOHN G. AND NANCY M. TURLAK TO PURCHASE THE 150 FEET AT THE WEST CORNER OF LOT 3, BLOCK 54 IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF EDNA AND AT THE EAST CORNER OF DESCRIBED TRACT AND THAT A SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED IS ISSUED FOR SAID TRACT:

Councilmember Browning made the motion to approve the request from John G. and Nancy M. Turlak to purchase the 150 feet at the west corner of Lot 3, Block 54 in the Original Town of Edna and at the east corner of described tract and that a Special Warranty Deed is issued for said tract. Councilmember Price seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE ORDINANCE NO. 2014-08 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDNA GRANTING THE PURCHASE OF 150 FEET AT THE WEST CORNER OF LOT 3, BLOCK 54 IN THE ORIGINAL TOWN OF EDNA AND AT THE EAST CORNER OF DESCRIBED TRACT AND THAT A SPECIAL WARRANTY DEED BE ISSUED FOR SAID TRACT:

Councilmember Browning made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2014-08 an ordinance of the City of Edna granting the purchase of 150 feet at the west corner of Lot 3, Block 54 in the Original Town of Edna and at the east corner of described tract and that a Special Warranty Deed be issued for said tract. Councilmember Price seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE REQUEST FROM THE JACKSON COUNTY CHAMBER OF COMMERCE & AGRICULTURE FOR THE

CURRENT CITY'S BUDGETED HOTEL/MOTEL TAX FUNDING FOR THE SECOND HALF OF THE 2014 FISCAL YEAR:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the request from the Jackson County Chamber of Commerce & Agriculture for the current city's budgeted hotel/motel tax funding for the second half of the 2014 fiscal year. Councilmember Sorensen seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE THE INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF EDNA AND TML MULTISTATE IEBP:

Councilmember Browning made the motion to approve the Interlocal Agreement between the City of Edna and TML MultiState IEBP. Councilmember Price seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE THE 10/01/2014 EMPLOYEE BENEFITS RENEWAL RATES AND RETIREE RENEWAL RATES FROM TML MULTISTATE IEBP:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the 10/01/2014 Employee Benefits Renewal Rates and Retiree Renewal Rates from TML MultiState IEBP. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. Councilmember Browning abstained from voting. Councilmember Selders and Sorensen voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO APPROVE THE COBRA CONTINUATION OF COVERAGE ADMINISTRATIVE AGREEMENT FROM TML MULTISTATE IEBP:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the Cobra Continuation of Coverage Administrative Agreement from TML MultiState IEBP. Councilmember Browning seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

SET DATES FOR THE 2014-2015 ANNUAL BUDGET WORKSHOPS:

Mayor Hermes noted there would not be a full council for the July 14th budget workshop and asked the council to look at other dates to consider. After discussion, it was agreed to have the first 2014-2015 annual budget workshop on Thursday, July 17th from 5:00 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. immediately following the workshop city council will go into regular city council meeting at 6:30 p.m.

CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:

Councilmember Browning made the motion to approve payment of current bills in the amount of \$138,353.26. 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 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 he recently attended the Texas City Managers Association Conference in Galveston and that it was an excellent meeting. A Republic Services garbage truck clipped a power line guide wire and their employee was hit by the wire. Mr. Knight went onto say that his intent is to have the proposed budget to council by the end of the business day on Thursday. **Finance Director Olga Salomon, Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge and EMS Director Loyd Chase** all stated things are fine in their departments. **Director of Public Works Brad Ryan** reported city crews have started drainage work on Pear Street. Pipes that were under Martin Luther King Drive were too small. **Water Wastewater Superintendent Greg Woodring** stated the work will cost approximately 50,000 for Jay Street.

ADJOURN:

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

APPROVED: _____
Joe D. Hermes, Mayor

ATTEST: _____
Becky Miska, City Secretary

