

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

The Edna City Council met in regular session, Thursday, September 4, 2014 in council chambers at 6:30 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER: Mayor Joe D. Hermes called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. Councilmembers Richard Browning, William Selders, Maxine Price, Jean Sorensen and Johnny Vasquez were present. City Secretary Becky Miska, Finance Director Olga Salomon, EMS Director Loyd Chase, Street Superintendent Steve Sample, Water Wastewater Superintendent Greg Woodring, Director of Public Works Brad Ryan and Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge.

APPROVE MINUTES OF THE CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD AUGUST 21, 2014:

Councilmember Browning made the motion to approve minutes of the city council meeting held August 21, 2014. Councilmember Selders seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

VISITORS: Velma Vasquez, Kenneth Hadley, Philip Huseman-KSA Engineers and Chris Lundstrom-Jackson County Herald Tribune

HEARING OF VISITORS:

“At this time, 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.”

PUBLIC HEARING:

a) **CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 2014-10 ADOPTING THE 2014-2015 FISCAL BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF EDNA**

b) **CONSIDER ORDINANCE NO. 2014-11 FIXING THE TAX RATE AND TAX LEVY AND LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS FOR THE YEAR 2015 REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE:**

There were no comments from the visitors.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER THE FIRST READING OF CITY OF EDNA ORDINANCE NO. 2014-10 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS ADOPTING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF EDNA, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING ON OCTOBER 1, 2014 AND ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2015 REVISING THE BUDGET FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING ON SEPTEMBER 30, 2014. APPROPRIATING THE VARIOUS AMOUNTS THEREOF; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the first reading of City of Edna Ordinance No. 2014-10 an ordinance of the City of Edna, Texas adopting the budget for the City of Edna, for the fiscal year beginning on October 1, 2014 and ending on September 30, 2015 revising the budget for the fiscal year ending on September 30, 2014. Appropriating the various amounts thereof; repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances on conflict herewith and declaring an effective date. Councilmember Sorensen seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER THE FIRST READING OF CITY OF EDNA ORDINANCE NO. 2014-11 AN ORDINANCE FIXING THE TAX RATE AND THE TAX LEVY AND LEVYING ADVALOREM TAXES FOR

THE CITY OF EDNA, TEXAS FOR THE YEAR 2014 REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HEREWITH, AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the first reading of City of Edna Ordinance No. 2014-11 an ordinance fixing the tax rate and the tax levy and levying advalorem taxes for the City of Edna, Texas for the year 2014 repealing all ordinances or parts of ordinances in conflict herewith, and declaring an effective date. Councilmember Sorensen seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE BANK DEPOSITORY BID RECEIVED BY THE CITY OF EDNA:

Mayor Hermes reported there was only one bank depository bid received and it was from Citizens State Bank. Hermes went onto say that Citizens State Bank is currently our depository and the City is pleased with them. The bid was reviewed and there were no significant changes. Councilmember Browning made the motion to approve Citizens State Bank as the City of Edna's depository for two (2) years. Councilmember Sorensen seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER REQUEST FROM THE JACKSON COUNTY YOUTH RODEO ASSOCIATION FOR FUNDING FROM HOTEL-MOTEL TAX:

Kenneth Hadley, President of the Jackson County Youth Rodeo Association was present and answered questions as presented. Mayor Hermes noted the council had approved \$5,000 in the budget for the Jackson County Youth Rodeo Association in last year's budget. Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the request from the Jackson County Youth Rodeo Association for funding form hotel-motel tax in the amount of \$5,000. Councilmember Browning seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION ON THE TML MULTISTATE IEBP 2014 BOARD OF TRUSTEE ELECTION:

Mayor Hermes noted he serves on the board and if the council so chooses he would like to continue to serve. Councilmember Browning made the motion to approve the vote for Joe Hermes to serve on the TML MultiState IEBP Board of Trustees-TML Region 11. Councilmember Sorensen seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

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

Councilmember Browning made the motion to approve voting the incumbents to serve on the TML MultiState Intergovernmental Risk Pool Board of Trustees. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

DISCUSS AND TAKE APPROPRIATE ACTION TO CONSIDER THE SECOND READING OF CITY OF EDNA ORDINANCE NO. 2014-09 UPDATING FLOOD PLAIN ORDINANCE IN ORDER TO COMPLY WITH NEW FEMA MAPS:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve the second reading of City of Edna Ordinance No. 2014-09 updating flood plain ordinance in order to comply with new FEMA maps. Councilmember Vasquez seconded the motion. All voted AYE. Motion carried.

CONSIDER PAYMENT OF CURRENT BILLS:

Councilmember Price made the motion to approve payment of current bills in the amount of \$202,905.17. Councilmember Browning 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; 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.”

Finance Director Olga Salomon reported the final reading for the budget will be the next council meeting. Street Superintendent Steve Sample stated city crews have one more block of Progress to complete and will be shooting streets before the 15th. Water Wastewater Superintendent Greg Woodring noted that due to the extreme dry weather water leaks are keeping his department busy; Chief of Police Clinton Wooldridge reported he has been busy working with the school to help make the school drop offs safer for the children.

ADJOURN:

Mayor Hermes reported he had a meeting on Tuesday in regards to possibly a new eating spot. Hermes noted he had a meeting at the elementary school with city staff to discuss and possibly come up with a plan to assist with the traffic problems.

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

APPROVED:_____

Joe D. Hermes, Mayor

ATTEST:_____

Becky Miska, City Secretary