

## MINUTES OF CITY COUNCIL MEETING SEPTEMBER 6, 2016

1. **Call to order.** Meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Bert Echterling.
2. **Invocation.** Jimmy Rogers provided the Invocation.
3. **Roll Call.** Councilmembers present: Jimmy Rogers, Jeremy Stivener, Vernon Leuschner, Bert Echterling, Jim Mastergeorge, and Steve Janics. Councilmember Doye Baker was absent.
4. **Approve Minutes from: August 2, 2016; August 6, 2016; August 12, 2016 and August 30, 2016:** Jim Mastergeorge motioned to approve the minutes from the August 2, 2016; August 6, 2016; August 12, 2016 and August 30, 2016 meetings as written. Jeremy Stivener seconded this motion. Voting in favor; Rogers, Stivener, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.
5. **Citizen Comments.** Bill Johnson, 1897 S Old Robinson Road, Robinson, Texas 76706, commended the Robinson Police Department, and spoke regarding the McLennan County Tax Appraisal District. Charles Hartstack, 926 Downsville Road, Robinson, Texas 76706, spoke regarding the lack of productivity regarding the Building Standards Commission, the lack of house address numbers, commended the Robinson Police Department, and the street conditions along Downsville Road. Korey Coleman, 846 Peevey Lane, Robinson, Texas 76706, spoke regarding code enforcement, and street conditions along Peevey Lane.
6. **PUBLIC HEARING: Conduct a public hearing and consider action on Ordinance 2016-007 regarding a zoning change from R-1, Single Family Residential to 2F located at 511 S Old Robinson Road.** The Public Hearing was opened at 6:17 p.m. Interim Planning Director Barry Lightfoot provided an overview of the zoning request. Luke Morton, 3825 W Waco Drive, Waco, Texas 76710 provided a general layout of the subdivision and requested approval. City Manager Craig Lemin informed Council that Mr. Morton has a second zoning change request scheduled to go before the Planning and Zoning Commission regarding the same subdivision. Mr. Lemin recommended to leave this Public Hearing open until the October 4, 2016 Council Meeting, and take action on both properties at the same meeting. No further action.
7. **PUBLIC HEARING: Conduct the second of two public hearings to receive comments on the proposed tax rate of \$0.499500 cents per \$100 valuation for fiscal year 2017 (2016 tax year), and announce meeting to adopt the proposed tax rate on September 13, 2016.** City Manager Craig Lemin presented the item, and Mayor Echterling opened the Public Hearing at 6:22 PM. There were no comments; therefore, the Public Hearing was closed at 6:23 PM. Mayor Echterling announced the meeting to adopt the proposed tax rate is September 13, 2016. No action was taken.

- 8. PUBLIC HEARING: Conduct a public hearing for the City of Robinson Budget for fiscal year beginning October 1, 2016, and ending September 30, 2017.** City Manager Craig Lemin presented this item, and provided an overview of the budget summary. The Public Hearing was opened at 6:26 p.m. Charles Hartstack 926 Downsville Road, Robinson, Texas 76706, commended the city on conducting the budget work sessions. Mike Sanders, 981 Peevey Lane, Robinson, Texas 76706, asked where were the funds placed after the sale of city owned equipment purchased by the street department. Mr. Lemin stated this went back to the street replacement project fund. Mr. Sanders also asked if the radio system was included in this year's budget. Mr. Lemin stated the radio system will be purchased on a 3-year lease purchase agreement with a down payment from the fund balance. Mr. Lemin said the Gradall that is proposed in the General Fund budget has a one-year cost of \$120,000.00 which would cover all three payments for the next three years. Mr. Sanders also asked if money was allocated to the Chamber from the Hotel/Motel Tax Fund. Mr. Lemin said no as this was not an allowable use for these funds. After no additional comments the Public was closed at 6:32 p.m. No action taken.
- 9. Consider and possible action on agriculture agreement between the City of Robinson and Behnke Farms.** City Manager Craig Lemin presented this item. Mr. Lemin stated council previously approved the lease agreement at its August 2, 2016 meeting; however, upon review by the tenant proposed changes were submitted which are now included in the revised agreement and consistent with past agreements. Following discussion, Jimmy Rogers motioned to approve the revised agreement as presented. Jeremy Stivener seconded this motion. Voting in favor; Rogers, Stivener, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.
- 10. Consider and possible action on Ordinance 2016-008 declaring unopposed candidates elected to office and canceling the November 8, 2016, General Election.** City Secretary Jana Lewellen presented this item. Mrs. Lewellen stated the filing dates for the November 8, 2016 election began on July 25, 2016 and ended on August 22, 2016. After the Write-In deadline on August 26<sup>th</sup>, the City received four applications for the four vacancies. Mrs. Lewellen said this would only cancel the General Election portion of the November 8, 2016 Election, but citizens would still have the opportunity to cast their vote regarding the Local Option Election. Following discussion, Jimmy Rogers motioned to approve Ordinance 2016-008 declaring unopposed candidates to office and canceling the November 8, 2016 General Election. Steve Janics seconded this motion. Voting in favor; Rogers, Stivener, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.
- 11. Consider and possible action regarding Notice of Joint Election.** City Secretary Jana Lewellen presented this item, and stated the Notice of Joint Election prepared by McLennan County includes voting in a Local Option Election to vote for/against "the legal sale of mixed beverages in restaurants by food and beverage certificate holders only". Following discussion, Jeremy Stivener motioned to approve the Notice of Joint Election as presented. Jim Mastergeorge seconded this motion. Voting in favor; Rogers, Stivener, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.

**12. Consider and possible action regarding nominations to serve a six-year term on the Texas Municipal League Intergovernmental Risk Pool Board of Trustees.** City Manager Craig Lemin presented this item and said each member of the Risk Pool is entitled to vote for Board of Trustee members. Following discussion, Bert Echterling motioned to cast votes for Mary Gauer, Place 6; C. J. Wax, Place 7; Andrea M Gardner, Place 8; and Andres Garza, Place 9. Jim Mastergeorge seconded this motion. Voting in favor; Rogers, Stivener, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.

**13. Consider and possible action authorizing staff and the city engineer to go out for bids for the reclamation of Downsville Road.** City Manager Craig Lemin presented this item. Mr. Lemin said the previous work completed has created challenges for project, and stated staff does not have the equipment or expertise to complete the reclamation of the roadway. Staff recommends going out for bids to complete this project, and a Special Meeting would need to be conducted after the bids are received to award the bid. Following discussion, Jeremy Stivener motioned to authorize staff and the city engineer to go out for bids as presented. Steve Janics seconded this motion. Voting in favor; Rogers, Stivener, Leuschner, Mastergeorge, Janics, and Echterling. Motion carried unanimously.

**14. Councilmember requests for items to be placed on future agendas.** Councilmember Vernon Leuschner requested discussion regarding Code Enforcement be place on a future agenda.

**15. Adjourn.** Meeting adjourned at 7:01 p.m.