

MINUTES OF THE REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

March 23, 2015

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Pro tem Sherrie Williams
Councilwomen Lori Shierry and Stephanie Wooten
Councilmen Keith Dyer and Tim Sheppard

MEMBERS ABSENT: Mayor Ray Schultz

PERSONNEL: Jerry Flemming, City Manager
David Sherrill, Public Works Director
Robert Johnson, Chief of Police
Robbie Matthews, Parks and Recreation Director
David Owen, Economic Development Director
Becky Ferguson, Director of Finance
Amie Schultz, Library Director
Janice Newman, City Secretary

VISITORS: Dolores Hamilton

AGENDA ITEM NO. 1: Call to Order.

The Mayor Pro tem called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 2: Invocation.

Councilman Dyer gave the invocation.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 3: Recognition of Special Guest(s)/Action(s).

There were no recognitions of special guest(s)/action(s).

AGENDA ITEM NO. 4: Citizens' Input.

No individuals registered to participate in the Citizens' Input.

AGENDA ITEM NO. 5: General Consent.

A. Acceptance and Approval of the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of March 9, 2015.

Motion was made by Councilman Sheppard and seconded by Councilwoman Shierry accepting and approving the general consent agenda as presented. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 6: Public Hearing.

A. A Public Hearing to Determine Whether the Wooden Manufactured Housing Structure Located on the North 100' of Block 171 of the Original Townsite to the City of Iowa Park, Wichita County, Texas, Also Known as 903 South Wall Street, Should be Declared a "*Substandard Structure*" as That Term is Defined in Section 3.02.001 of the Code of Ordinances and Whether Said Structure Should be Abated Accordingly.

The public hearing opened at 7:01 p.m. Both the mobile home owner and property owner were notified of the public hearing. Property owner Gary Hunter spoke to the City Manager last week after he received notice and also wants the mobile home abated but was unable to attend this meeting. Mr. Stephen Campbell, owner of the mobile home, has not made any contact with the City. The public hearing closed at 7:02 p.m.

(i) Action as a Result of Public Hearing.

Motion was made by Councilwoman Wooten and seconded by Councilman Dyer, approving and adopting Council Order Number 15-01 declaring the wooden manufactured housing structure

located on the north 100' of Block 171 of the Original Townsite of the City of Iowa Park, Wichita County, Texas, also known as 903 South Wall Street, a "*Substandard Structure*" as that term is defined in Section 3.02.001 of the Code of Ordinances and ordering the abatement within forty-five (45) days of the adoption of this Council Order. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

AGENDA ITEM NO. 7: City Manager's Report.

- A. Consider Authorizing the City Manager to Donate a Police Unit Being Taken out of Service to the Vernon College Law Enforcement Academy to be Used for Their Police Training Program.

The City Manager explained that Vernon College Law Enforcement Academy has requested the City to donate a recent out of service police unit to the college for training. The City has previously donated a unit to the college which was used for more than a decade. The vehicle that is being requested, a 2004 Ford Crown Victoria, has some major mechanical issues, of which Vernon has been made aware. Motion was made by Councilman Sheppard and seconded by Councilwoman Wooten authorizing the City Manager to donate a police being taken out of service to the Vernon College Law Enforcement Academy to be used for their police training program. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

- B. Consider Authorizing the City Manager to Have a Secure Shed Constructed at the Former Barbour Pipe Yard on West Highway for the Purpose of Storing Portland Cement Needed for Road Slurry.
- C. Consider Authorizing the City Manager to Use Sheet Metal From an Old Barn Structure on the Wigley Property for Use on the Secure Shed at the Former Barbour Pipe Yard on West Highway.

The Council was given photos of the barn on the Wigley property which showed how it was beginning to tear apart from the wind. City crew will take off the sheet metal to use to construct a 12 x 12 metal shed to store Portland cement at the former Barbour pipe yard. This will be a cost savings of close to \$800.00. Total net cost to build the shed will be \$200.00. Motion was made by Councilwoman Wooten and seconded by Councilman Sheppard authorizing the City Manager to use sheet metal from the barn structure on the Wigley property to construct a secure shed at the former Barbour pipe yard on West Highway. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

- D. Consider Authorizing the Chief of Police to Conduct an Open House at the Police Department on Saturday, May 16, 2015 as Part of National Police Week of May 10-16, 2015.

The City Manager reminded the Council at their retreat it was suggested having public events and open houses for the citizens to see how the city operations work. The Chief of Police suggested an open house at the Police Department with tours of the station and vehicles with staff available to explain law enforcement technology and laws. Motion was made by Councilman Sheppard and seconded by Councilwoman Shierry authorizing the Chief of Police to conduct an open house at the Police Department on Saturday, May 16, 2015 as part of National Police Week of May 10-16, 2015. Motion carried with four ayes. (Unanimous)

The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this 13th day of April, 2015.

Mayor Ray Schultz

ATTEST:

City Secretary Janice Newman