

**Minutes
Flatonia City Council
Regular Meeting
September 11, 2007**

Present:

Mayor	Jeff M. Hairgrove
Mayor Pro Tem	Carlene Carlock
Councilpersons	Len Waska Kathy Collins Jan Lahodny Bryan Milson
City Staff	John Irvin – City Manager Melissa Brunner – City Secretary Leonard Cox – Police Chief Jack Pavlas – Utility Director Gregory Robinson - Code Compliance Officer

Opening Agenda

Call to Order	Mayor Hairgrove called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Invocation and Pledge	Mayor Hairgrove led the invocation and the pledge.
Citizen's Participation	Teresa Wilks asked Council to consider development of the portion of S. Main Street that the right of way allows her to get to a portion of her property. She further asked that if Council was not interested in this development, to consider deeding the portion to her.

Reports

Mayor's Activity Report	Mayor Hairgrove reported that there would be activity at one of the water wells located on Highway 90 where the new storage tank will be located.
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City Secretary Brunner reminded Council that the City of Flatonia is hosting the TML Region 10 meeting on September 27th and encouraged the council members to attend. Brunner further reminded Council that the early registration deadline is September 24th for the TML Conference in November.

City Council Members' Reports

Councilperson Collins had nothing to report, but she did give a brief introduction of John Villarreal from the State

Comptroller's office who will be making a presentation later on the agenda.

Councilman Waska had nothing to report.

Councilperson Lahodny reported that she had had some concerns from citizens about the driveway at Donna's Café. She has already spoken to Gregory Robinson about it and he is to discuss it with City Attorney, Angela Beck. She also reported that she had toured the police station and the garage at city hall and was surprised at the poor condition of the police station.

Councilman Carlock had nothing to report.

Councilman Milson had nothing to report.

Police Chief's Report

Police Chief Leonard Cox reported on the activity for the month of August 2007.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Irvin reported that the TCRFC has notified the City that there was money available for reimbursement for the flood plain study. He reported that he'd already sent the information in and we just had to wait to see how much we'd been okayed to receive reimbursement for. He further reported that it looked like we'd be able to do the quiet zone for between \$20,000 and \$25,000. The noise ordinance has been revised and sent to the city attorney for her to look at. He also reported that ERCOT had sent the city a market participant agreement that he'd signed it and returned it. He also reported that he and Mayor Hairgrove had attended NIMS training for levels 100 and 400. He also reported that he'd contacted several contractors regarding the police department roof. He also reported that there were trees in pots on City property that he had offered to the Oak Hill Cemetery Association. City Secretary Brunner and Utility Director Pavlas informed him that those trees had been donated by the LCRA for exclusive use in the City park.

Planning and Zoning Report Nothing to report.

Economic Development There was nothing to report on economic development.

Downtown Water Tower Committee

Teresa Wilks, Chair of the Water Tower Committee, reported that the committee was waiting to receive the written report from the engineer that had come out to go forward. He offered to come back down and give his report in person to the City Council.

Public Hearing opened at 6:24 p.m.

PH9-2007.1 None of the citizens present wished to participate.

PH9-2007.2 None of the citizens present wished to participate.

Public Hearing closed at 6:26 p.m.

Consent Agenda

Kathy Collins motioned to approve the amended consent agenda, including the minutes of the August 21, 2007, Special Meeting and August 14, 2007 Regular Meeting, the August 2007 Financial Report, Resolution 2007-4 and Resolution 2007-5. Len Waska seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Deliberation Agenda

- 9.2007-1 John Villarreal of the Texas Comptroller's office spoke on economic development and 4a and 4b sales and use taxes.
- 9.2007-2 Jan Lahodny motioned to appoint Sheila Novak to the position recently vacated by Max Steinhauer on the Flatonia Planning and Zoning Commission. Carlene Carlock seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 9.2007-3 Kathy Collins motioned to authorize Mayor Hairgrove to sign the renewal of lease documents with the United States Postal Service for lease of the building where the Flatonia Post Offices resides. Bryan Milson seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 9.2007-4 Kathy Collins motioned to authorize Mayor Hairgrove to sign the contract with Frank Olmos for the controlled demolition of the railroad depot downtown. Bryan Milson seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 9.2007-5 Jan Lahodny motioned to authorize Mayor Hairgrove to sign the contracts with the Lower Colorado River Authority for visual inspections, infrared inspections and engineering. Len Waska seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 9.2007-6 Len Waska motioned to adopt the ordinance setting the budget for the City of Flatonia for fiscal year 2007-2008 as amended. Bryan Milson seconded the motion. Bryan Milson seconded the motion. Kathy Collins opposed. Motion carried.

- 9.2007-7 Bryan Milson motioned to ratify the property tax revenue reflected in the budget for FY2007-2008. Len Waska seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 9.2007-8 Jan Lahodny motioned to adopt the ordinance setting the tax rate for 2007 for the City of Flatonia at \$.3089 per hundred dollar valuation. Kathy Collins seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 9.2007-9 Kathy Collins motioned to authorize the city manager to go out for bids for new sidewalks for the downtown area. Carlene Carlock seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 9.2007-10 Bryan Milson motioned to authorize the Mayor to consult with Carol Littlefield on the appraisal and possible sale of the house the City owns at 1011 E. US Hwy 90. Len Waska seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 9.2007-11 Bryan motioned to appoint Kathy Hairgrove, Steve Morrill, Sheila Novak, AE (Bill) Hassell and Bryan Milson to form a committee to study the comprehensive plan and the zoning plan to see if items need to be modified. Len Waska seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 9.2007-12 Bryan Milson motioned to reappoint Herbert Mann and Ted Bratton to serve on the Flatonia Housing Authority Board of Directors for a term ending September 11, 2009. Carlene Carlock seconded the motion. None opposed.

Executive Session – Council adjourned into Executive Session at 7:55 p.m.

As authorized by Section 551.071 and 551.074, Texas Government Code, the council may enter into closed or executive session to discuss and act upon the following: legal matter and personnel matters:

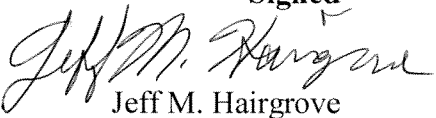
- ES9-2007.1 Consultation with City Attorney concerning compensation of former city manager
- ES9-2007.2 Review of police chief
- ES9-2007.3 Review of city manager

Deliberation Agenda - Council re-opened the deliberation agenda at 9:48 p.m.

- 9.2007-13 No action was taken on the consultation with City Attorney concerning compensation of former city manager.
- 9.2007-14 No action was taken on the review of the police chief.
- 9.2007-15 Bryan Milson motioned to terminate John Irvin's employment with the City of Flatonia effective immediately. Kathy Collins seconded the motion. Jan Lahodny opposed. Motion carried.

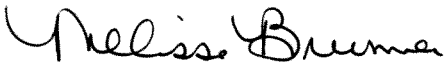
The meeting was adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Signed



Jeff M. Hairgrove
Mayor

Attest



Melissa Brunner, TRMC
City Secretary

Approved this 10th day of October, 2007.