

Hillsboro City Council Meeting  
April 24, 2007

Mayor Baran called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call was taken and those present were Mayor Baran and Commissioners Trost, Richmond, McCammack and Hill.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Mayor Baran took this time to present Commissioner Richmond with a plaque thanking him for his 8 years of service as Commissioner of Public Health and Safety.

*Mayor and Commissioners reports*

Commissioner McCammack reported his departments have been working on water leaks, and patching roads. McCammack reported the city wide cleanup is going well, but reminded everyone they need proof of residency to leave items at the site. McCammack also informed everyone that the gate to the Street Department is now locked after hours and any drop offs during work hours are for yard waste only.

Mayor Baran stated he has been involved in meetings concerning water plant financing and will be meeting this Wednesday with Dion Novak of the U.S.E.P.A. concerning the Eagle Zinc property.

Commissioner Hill discussed campground rules with the City Attorney and was informed she has the authority to stop or allow any actions as she deems necessary. They also discussed creating a document illustrating the Commissioners authority to adopt rules.

Mayor Baran asked the status of the Perkins cabin at the lake and was told the Court has given him an extension to make the necessary repairs and it looks as if he will comply with all that has been mandated.

City Engineer Hunt reported the bids for the new water plant were opened on April 17<sup>th</sup>. There were four bids submitted with Plocher being the low bid. The bids were Plocher at \$11,588,000.00, River City Construction at \$11,929,000.00, Williams Brothers at \$12,332,000.00, and Reynolds Inc. at \$15,887,000.00.

**Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack** and seconded by Commissioner Richmond to approve a resolution authorizing obtaining a loan to finance the new water treatment plant. Motion carried 5-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Richmond** and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to adopt *Ordinance #1458* authorizing the issuance of water works and sewerage bonds revenue bonds for the purpose of defraying costs of acquiring, constructing and installing improvements to its waterworks facilities. Motion carried 5-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack** and seconded by Commissioner Richmond to approve Mayor Baran obtaining a water line easement from Adam Anderson and Jane Wisdom to extend a water line from Vawter Street to Seward Street. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Trost discussed the proposed contract changes in the Police Department contract that each of the Commissioners and Mayor had received copies of. Changes involve compensatory time, wages, longevity, and insurance after retirement.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Trost** and seconded by Commissioner Richmond to approve the proposed changes in the Police Department contract the main item being wages increases of 3.75% for the first to years and 4% for the third year. Motion carried 5-0.

The Challacombe mineral lease agreement was tabled until next meeting.

Commissioner Richmond explained they are working on land exchange from Hayes Abrasives to the City, who would intern deed the land to Mike Beeler for a cabinet shop. Commissioner Richmond stated the City would pay for the land survey, which has to be completed before the transfer of properties.

Mayor Baran introduced Bob Pachesa who was present to ask the City to revisit the present burning ordinance and see if it could be restructured. He also asked that a time be established at which all fires should be extinguished. Mayor Baran stated he would appoint a committee to review the current burn laws and bring their recommendations back to the Council.

Commissioner Hill informed everyone that John Ragen was in the Springfield hospital and would probably be getting a new pacemaker.

Upcoming agenda items would be the swearing in of the new Council and assignment of departments. Mayor Baran informed everyone that Judge Kelly Long would be giving the oath of office.

Commissioner Richmond asked to read a letter to the Council and audience outlining the accomplishments the Council has made during his eight years of service. Richmond also had positive comments about the Council members and City employees who he was fortunate enough to have worked alongside during his two terms.

**Motion to adjourn was made by Commissioner Richmond** and seconded by Commissioner McCammack. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dave Booher, City Clerk