

Hillsboro City Council Meeting  
August 28, 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, Hill, McCammack and Sherer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited and minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Mayor and Commissioners reports:

*Commissioner Sherer* commented again on what a great job everyone did during the sudden storm the Thursday of Old Settlers keeping everyone out of harms way. Sherer stated the Volunteer Firemen collected in excess of \$1700 this past weekend for Muscular Dystrophy. Commissioner Sherer next informed everyone that this Thursday at 6:30 p.m. Montgomery County IEMA director Diana Holmes and the Montgomery County Hazmat Team will have a demonstration at the Hillsboro Fire Department. The event will be open to the public.

*Commissioner Trost* informed everyone that the tax anticipation warrant process has been completed and asked all departments to hold spending down.

*Commissioner McCammack* announced that work on the new water treatment plant is progressing ahead of schedule. McCammack also noted that his departments have been working on numerous small water leaks. Members of the Street Department have been working nights filling cracks on Main Street in preparation for the resealing and striping of the street. The sand being used will be picked up a later date.

*Mayor Baran* also mentioned that the contractor installing the raw water line will be boring the line under the stream and somehow boring the large hill heading towards the park office.

*City Attorney Jarman* stated the easements for the water lines in front of Hayes Abrasives have been prepared and are ready for signing.

*City Engineer Hunt* reported there would be a meeting on Wednesday with the Sports Association to discuss options for drainage of the new water plant. The contractor has essentially poured the lift station at the new water treatment site, dirt work on the settling ditches is nearing completion; work has been done on the clear-well and installation of the raw water line will begin this week.

Commissioner Hill asked Attorney Jarman to report on the status of the "Chances" building. Hill reported a window fell out of the building during the Old Settlers

Celebration. Jarman stated the first notice has been served and they have 60 days to respond after this time the City can take further action.

Mayor Baran introduced Kathy Dagon, President of the Old Settlers Association, who recapped the festivities. Ms. Dagon stated the 123<sup>rd</sup> celebration went very smoothly beginning Tuesday evening through Friday morning. The entertainment for Thursday night was “American English” a Beatles tribute band. The members of the band were from the Chicago area and found Hillsboro to be very friendly and would very much like to return. Ms. Dagon also stated that as usual there were complaints about the weather as being too hot or too windy or too wet. Dagon also commented on the unexpected storm that struck around noon on Thursday and the excellent response from the Hillsboro Police and Auxiliary as well as the many businesses that opened their doors to get people out of the weather. Dagon also thanked all the City employees who work behind the scenes to make the celebration a success. This year’s Queen Candidates raised \$22,000.00 to help fund the Old Settlers celebration. Ms Dagon again thanked everyone for their hard work and support.

There was brief explanation of a request from the Junior Fuller estate to close a platted alley that was never opened. The alley was is between the Fuller property and that of Dr. Balen on Broad Street. Both parties are in accordance with the request.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hill** and seconded by Commissioner Sherer to adopt Ordinance #1467 vacating an alley located between the Junior Fuller property and that of Dr. Balen. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Baran took this time to explain what has been going on with the proposed rail siding to be located between Eagle Zinc and Hixson Lumber. Mayor Baran explained to keep things moving there was a need to sign a memorandum of understanding with Union Pacific railroad. This agreement does not at this time commit any City funds to the project.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hill** and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to permit Mayor Baran to sign a memorandum of understanding with Union Pacific railroad concerning a proposed rail spur. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner McCammack discussed with the Council a request for a change order involving the installation of a 12” water main from the new water treatment plant to Industrial Drive. The cost would be \$69,000.00, but could be cut in half if the City would do the installation themselves. If the City were to install the line they would have to borrow the money for the materials and with the proposed change order the cost would be added to the entire project cost. McCammack felt with time being the critical issue it would be best if they allow the change order and instruct the contractor to install the line.

**Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack** and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve change order #2 from Plocher Construction in the amount of \$69,000.00 for the relocation of a new water line. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Sherer explained to the Council and audience a proposed resolution authorizing the Fire Chief to enter into a call handling agreement with Montgomery County Emergency telephone system board. In the agreement 911 will tone out any emergency calls giving the location of the call and then Hillsboro Dispatch will acknowledge the call and take over.

The agreement will be an annual agreement to be revisited each year in accordance with ICC code.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer** and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to adopt Resolution 2007-5 allowing for 911 to tone out all Hillsboro Fire Department emergency calls. Motion carried 5-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer** and seconded by Commissioner Trost to move Rusty Kirby up to full time firefighter status. Motion carried 5-0.

Upcoming agenda items would be pay request #3 from Plocher Construction and installation of a new water main from Westwood Subdivision to Edgewood Subdivision.

**Motion to adjourn was made at 7:36 by Commissioner Sherer** and seconded by Commissioner Hill. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dave Booher, City Clerk