

City of Hillsboro Council Meeting
February 28, 2006

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 and McCammack.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Mayor and Commissioners Reports,

Mayor Baran congratulated the Hillsboro High School Girls' Basketball Team on their winning of 1st Place in the Girls Class A State Championship. The win was not only good for the High School but also showed the community spirit of the Hillsboro School District and outlying towns. Mayor Baran also thanked everyone for their cards and phone calls during his heart surgery, where he had 3 stints put in.

Commissioner Trost asked the Council to review the recent budget report and begin work on next year's budget.

Commissioner McCammack informed everyone of a sewer line problem encountered on Marshall Street this past week. The sewer line was wrapped on the inside and outside with a mass of roots. To avoid future problems the line was rerouted to the South to avoid this area. McCammack noted that the sewer line problem on Main Street (Curve's) was a private line and not of the City's. McCammack also presented the Council with a demolition permit for their input. The required permit would prevent drain lines from being filled with debris and effecting neighboring lines.

City Attorney Jarman reported sending a notice of demolition to a cabin property belonging to Ralph Joe Jennings at the Old Lake. There seems to be a discrepancy on who actually owns the cabin but once this is confirmed condemnation proceedings will continue. Jarman also stated a one-time easement will be prepared involving a sewer line crossing property on Freeland and Highland.

Mayor Baran asked the City Attorney to compile a list of pro and cons for annexing into the City.

City Engineer Hunt reported 80% of the pre-design for the new water treatment plant has been completed. He is currently working with F.B. Leopold of a design configuration for the underdrain of the new filters. Hunt noted that the chance for any I.E.P.A. loan for this year is very unlikely. Hunt also mentioned he has been in contact with Bill Clinard of the Sports Association concerning a raw water connection involving 2 tees for the Complex irrigation system.

Commissioner McCammack explained the need to purchase new carbon for the water treatment plant filters. McCammack noted this should be the last carbon purchase for the existing plant.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Trost to approve the purchase of carbon from Calgon for the amount of \$5,950.00. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Richmond and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to approve *Ordinance #1427* establishing a 30 mph speed limit on Glenn Shoals Drive. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Richmond and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to approve the City's expenditure of \$9,500.00 of grant matching funds (\$19,000.00 IDNR Grant) for new radios at the Fire Department. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Richmond reported for an absent Commissioner Hill that her recommendation was to pay \$1,600.00 to repair fencing at the Sports Complex.

Motion was made by Commissioner Richmond and seconded by Commissioner Trost to approve the expenditure of \$1,600.00 to repair fencing at the Sports Complex. Motion carried 4-0.

The Council was presented with a copy of a proposed ordinance regulating potential nuisance vehicles.

Motion was made by Commissioner Richmond and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to approve *Ordinance #1428* amending the nuisance ordinance code pertaining to vehicles on property. The ordinance regulates keeping unused vehicles undercover and how long vehicles for sale may be displayed on private property. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Richmond and Commissioner McCammack are still researching the corner of Ash and Welch and will notify the Council if any actions are needed.

There was a brief discussion concerning the placement of a 4 way stop at the intersection of Main and Water Street. Tobin Ott a resident of Main Street felt the intersection was dangerous due to a lack of visibility when crossing Main Street. Commissioner Richmond agreed there is a visibility problem, but did not think a 4 way stop was the answer. Richmond stated his department would review the suggestion and see what could be done to alleviate the problem. Commissioner Richmond requested placing the subject on the next agenda.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:28 by Commissioner Richmond and seconded by Commissioner Trost. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dave Booher, City Clerk