

Hillsboro City Council Meeting
July 14, 2009

Commissioner Trost, in the absence of Mayor Baran, called the meeting to order at 7:00 pm.

Roll call was taken and those present were Commissioners Trost, Hill, McCammack and Sherer.

The “Pledge of Allegiance” was recited.

Commissioner Trost asked City Engineer Hunt to proceed ahead of schedule with his report as he was needed at the new water plant.

City Engineer Hunt reported that he would like to see a special meeting scheduled for the 2009/10 MFT appropriations agreement as the longer we wait the later bids would be received.

It was the consensus of the Council to schedule a special meeting for July 21st at noon to approve this year’s MFT agreement.

Hunt next presented Commissioner McCammack with the next to last pay application for the new water treatment plant. The application had been reviewed by Hurst & Rosche and found to be in order. It was recommended that at the appropriate time on the agenda it be approved.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved

Commissioner Hill wanted to thank Deputy Chief Stretch and the Auxiliary Police Department for their assistance with traffic control for festivities on July 4th and 5th.

Commissioner Hill also reported there had been a meeting with the Auxiliary Police to address problem issues and ways to increase enrollment.

Commissioner Hill also reported that she is currently reviewing applications for a mechanic in the Street Department.

Commissioner Sherer reported work is going well at the Challacombe House and he would schedule an “open house” for the same day as the one at the new water plant. Commissioner Sherer also informed the Council that he has changed the rental rates for the Challacombe House.

Commissioner McCammack thanked Hurst & Rosche and Supervisor Roger Fath for the work they have been doing at the new water plant. The composition of the raw water has been changing daily and they are working to keep everything in compliance. The “open

house” will be scheduled when operations are smoother. Commissioner McCammack reported the Waste Water plant has been replacing pumps in the lift stations.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to pay this month’s bills in the amount of 252,538.62. Shortages for water and sewer would be borrowed from our current credit line in the amount of \$104,000. Motion carried 4-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to approve Budget Appropriation ***Ordinance #1499*** in the amount of \$9,743,488.00. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Trost introduced Tom Curran of Piper Jaffray and Kevin Heid of First Midsate who gave presentations to the Council on how they could save money by refinancing the 1999 alternate revenue bonds that expire in 2019. Both parties presented options that could save the City close to \$300,000.00 over the life of the bonds.

The Council wanted time to review the proposals and would make a decision at the next regular meeting.

The next item on the agenda was an easement to Ameren for the installation of electric service to Bill Beck in Lakewood Estates. A decision was postponed until City Attorney Jarman arrives.

There was no action on a requested cabin lease assignment as an agreement between the two parties had not been reached.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve pay resolution WTP 2009-22 in the amount of \$584,648.91 for work at the new water plant. Motion carried 4-0.

This payment would leave a final pay amount of \$100,000 for punch list items.

The next item on the agenda involved the sale of 9 parcels of City owned property, 8 of which are located at the north end of Lake Glenn Shoals and one on City Lake road. The consensus of the Council was to vote on all properties at once.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to approve Resolutions 2009-1 through 2009-9 approving the sale of City owned lands to Charles and Denise Hinkle, Timothy McCreary, Neil and Diana Jordan, Dustin and Heather Greenwood, Evelyn Hinton, Dorothy Willie, Carl and Dorothy Reynolds, Beverly and Richard Kibler and Philip and Margaret Chesser. Motion carried 3-1 with Commissioner Sherer voting no.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Sherer to adopt *Ordinance #1500* amending the handicap parking ordinance around the Court House square. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner Sherer expressed the need for a truck for the maintenance department. He stated a 2000 Chevy work truck had been located and he recommended the purchase of the vehicle.

Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve the purchase of a 2000 Chevy work truck for the maintenance department at a cost of \$6,000 plus registration. Motion carried 4-0.

An intergovernmental agreement with Montgomery County and the waiver of GIS fees was tabled until the City Attorney has a chance to review the document.

Commissioner Hill expressed the need to replace video cameras in the squad cars as the current units are inoperable.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Sherer to replace the video systems in the squad cars. Motion carried 4-0.

The Council returned to the earlier agenda item concerning an easement for Ameren to cross City property at Glenn Shoals.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve a utility easement to Ameren to install underground electric to the Bill Beck property in Lakewood Estates. Motion carried 4-0.

Upcoming agenda items would be a waiver agreement with Montgomery County GIS and the refinancing of water and sewer bonds.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:58 by Commissioner Sherer and seconded by Commissioner McCammack. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dave Booher, City Clerk