

Hillsboro City Council Meeting
June 12, 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, McCammack, Hill and Sherer.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

Mayor and Commissioners reports;

Commissioner McCammack reported his department has replaced almost all of the regulatory signs in the Main Street business district.

Commissioner Trost presented the Council with copies of the proposed budget for this year. He asked that each department read the budget and make suggestions to him before the next meeting so a budget can be passed at the first meeting in July. Trost's proposal reduces the administration fees coming from the water and wastewater departments by \$2,000 per month. This proposal has a direct impact on the general fund budget. Trost also looked to see if a portion of the electric fees generated by the utility tax could be reduced.

Commissioner Sherer stated he is again looking for new campground hosts. Sherer also stated the pool and Skate Park are running well and a restroom at 4th of July point is being repaired.

Commissioner Hill used this time to comment on some of the disgusting things she has heard these past couple of weeks maligning the Police Department. Hill said these citizens should be ashamed of their comments degrading the department, as these are the same police officers that will come to your aid with no questions asked.

Mayor Baran introduced Bill Draper instructor for the Hillsboro High School Criminal Justice Class.

Mr. Draper was present to thank the Hillsboro Police Department for their involvement in a recent field trip to the police training facility at Glenn Shoals Dam. Mr. Draper felt this involvement with the police department and high school kids helps each to get better acquainted. Mr. Draper thought the exercise is a win-win situation for both groups and again thanked the department for their support. Mr. Draper then presented the Police Department with a photo taken of both groups at the training facility.

Commissioner Trost next informed everyone that this month's bills were higher than normal due to a payment on the new water tower, risk insurance, and a camera truck for the waste water department.

Motion was made by Commissioner Trost and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to pay bills in the amount of \$341,719.39. Motion carried 5-0.

City Attorney Jarman reported that the cabin leases at the Old Lake need reviewed as to ownership and see if any actions need to be taken. Mayor Baran instructed him to do so.

City Engineer Hunt reported the contract for the new water treatment plant has been signed and sent to Rural Development for their approval. The loan closing is scheduled to take place June 28th at 9:30 a.m. Hunt next reported that the emergency action plans for both lakes has been completed and will be presented to the City this week for their review and approval. Hunt also reported that with the assistance of Commissioner Hill and Morrie Dodd he has sent a letter to USEPA representative Dion Novak concerning the cleanup of the Eagle Zinc property. Mr. Dodd is also trying to schedule a site visit with the I.E.P.A to the Eagle Zinc property with approval from Eagle Zinc.

Commissioner Hill reported she had a lot of tough decisions to make these past couple of weeks concerning her future as a Commissioner. She stated she has thought about resigning, but has decided to stay on. Hill stated half the people she has talked with want her to stay as Police and Fire Commissioner and half want her back in the Parks Department.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Sherer to approve the reassignment of Commissioners. Commissioner Hill would go back to Public Property and Commissioner Sherer would go to Public Health & Safety. Motion carried 5-0.

Before the appointment of salaried personnel, Mayor Baran mentioned these decisions were made with over 5 hours of Council deliberation.

Mayor Baran gave his recommendations for reappointment to all the salaried positions.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Hill to reappoint Roger Fath as Water Department Supervisor. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to reappoint Cheryl Whitten as water collections clerk. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Trost to reappoint Danny Robinson as Supervisor of Public Works. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Hill to reappoint Ron Merriman as Supervisor of the Waste Water Department. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Sherer to reappoint Sid Blankenship as Maintenance Supervisor. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Trost and seconded by Commissioner Hill to reappoint Dave Booher as City Clerk. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to reappoint Bev McCoy as City Treasurer. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to reappoint Joe Lyerla as Fire Chief. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer and seconded by Commissioner Hill to reappoint John Booher as Code Enforcement, Zoning and Lake Patrol Officer. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Baran next recommended the reappointment of Gary Satterlee as Police Chief for the period of one year, after which Commissioner Sherer and himself would review his status for further reappointment.

Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer and seconded by Commissioner Trost to reappoint Gary Satterlee as Police Chief for a period of one year to be reviewed at the end of the year by Commissioner Sherer and Mayor Baran. Motion carried 4-1 with Commissioner Hill voting no.

Mayor Baran explained to everyone that the Deputy Chief position is recommended by the Police Chief with approval by the Council. Baran explained that present Deputy Chief Stretch has agreed to the appointment on condition of being allowed to return to the union at the end of one year if either party declines reappointment.

Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to reappoint John Stretch as Deputy Chief for the period of one year. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Baran explained that the City's representative to the Montgomery County Economic Development committee, Mr. Fenton, has asked to resign from that position due to time constraints. Mayor Baran recommended replacing him with Tom Gooding as our representative and relieving him from his duties as Chairman of the Planning Commission. Mayor Baran recommended moving Commission member Don Burton to the role as chairman and Mr. Gooding will stay on as member of the Commission.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Sherer to appoint Tom Gooding as the City's representative to the Montgomery County Economic Development Committee. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer and seconded by Commissioner Trost to appoint Don Burton as Chairman of the Hillsboro Planning Commission. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Trost to appoint Patton & Company as the City auditors for this year. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve two loan resolutions funding the new water treatment plant. The first resolution was in the amount of \$5,700,000.00 and the second in the amount of \$ 2,278,000.00. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Hill approving *Ordinance #1461* authorizing and providing for an issue of waterworks and sewerage system revenue bonds series A and Series B. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Baran informed the Council it was once again time for approval of this years prevailing wage ordinance.

Motion was made by Commissioner Trost and seconded by Commissioner Sherer to approve **Ordinance #1462** adopting this years prevailing wage ordinance. Motion carried 5-0.

Sam Whitlow was present to ask the City to approve this year's bike route for the 4th of July biathlon.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Sherer to approve this year's 4th of July bike route, which would remain the same as previous years. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner McCammack stated he would be making in-house repairs on a clarifier at the wastewater plant, but no Council action would be needed.

The transfer of land to Mike Beeler was discussed. Survey work has been completed, but we do not have a deed yet.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Trost to approve the transfer of City land located behind Haye's Abrasives to Mike Beeler for construction of a cabinet shop to be constructed within one year of transfer of the deed. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve **Ordinance #1463** annexing property owned by Mark Everett located at 631 Parkside. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve a three (3) year contract with Union 773. The contract gives the bargaining unit of raises of 3.75%, 3.75% and 4% the final year. It also allows employees to live outside the City limits but within 6 miles of City Hall. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Baran explained to the Council that there is requirement to have site inspectors during the construction of the new water treatment plant and that each of the Commissioners have a copy of their resume for Council approval.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Trost to approve the following inspectors from Hurst & Rosche involved with the new water plant construction, Jim Siefert, Scott Hunt, Cody Greenwood, Danny Michael, and Alan Hobbie. Motion carried 5-0.

Scott Hunt explained to the Council that only one of these people will be on the job site, not all five.

Mayor Baran explained the need for City Engineer to be involved with the attempt to get the Eagle Zinc site cleaned up and asked for approval of Scott Hunt at an hourly rate as deemed necessary.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Sherer to employ Scott Hunt of Hurst & Rosche on an as needed basis for work on the cleanup of the Eagle Zinc site. Motion carried 5-0.

Mayor Baran expressed the need to adopt an Old Settlers parade resolution establishing the closing of State highways and the rerouting of traffic as in years past. The resolution is sent to IDOT for their approval.

Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve this year's parade resolution concerning the Old Settlers parade route. Motion carried 5-0.

Under upcoming agenda items, Commissioner McCammack asked Commissioner Hill to see if she could find money under the clean lake study to place aerators in Glenn Shoals lake to help with taste and odor control.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:47 by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Sherer. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,
Dave Booher, City Clerk