

Hillsboro City Council Meeting  
June 26, 2007

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

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

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.

*Mayor and Commissioners reports,*

Commissioner Sherer reported that everything he needed to report would be addressed later in the agenda.

Commissioner Hill reported she had met with architects concerning the rebuilding of the Challacombe House from fire damage. The architects would be submitting a proposal outlining expenses to be incurred to create a proposal for the rebuilding. Hill stated her intent is to keep the outside with the original facade, but to also improve the rest of the building to be more user friendly. Hill asked for citizens to assist by submitting any pictures they have of the Challacombe House to be utilized in the reconstruction.

Commissioner Hill also stated the pool looks great, but the recent rains caused runoff to enter into the pool. Hill reported that City employees have amazingly managed to make corrections to a drainage problem in order to avoid future runoff problems.

Commissioner McCammack mentioned these repairs were made on a problem that needed cured by riprapping and a culvert, with which that he hoped to receive financial assistance with.

Hill next informed everyone that a new teeter-totter and jungle gym have been placed at Central Park with donations from the Roubaix bike race.

Commissioner Hill next reported that repairs are being made on the restroom on 4<sup>th</sup> of July point and it will be ready for the Holiday.

Hill also mentioned that the North Marina facility has a porta-potty in place, but hoped to make arrangements with Montgomery County Rural Water to send treated water to the restrooms and avoid future problems with the well water.

Commissioner McCammack reported that we had nearly 2.5 inches of rain on Sunday and there were no major drainage problems.

Mayor Baran asked Commissioner McCammack to check on a drainage problem that occurred at Jefferson and Summer Streets. It was suggested that the Waste Water Department use their camera truck to check for any obstructions.

Commissioner Trost reminded everyone that tax monies slated for the City will be delayed by at least a couple of months this year. For this reason, he asked all departments to try and hold

expenses as long as possible. Trost also asked the Council to review their budgets and be prepared to pass this year's fiscal budget appropriation at the next meeting.

City Attorney Jarman reported that he had received the bond packet involving the funding for the new water treatment plant and would have it at Thursday morning's bond closing meeting. Jarman also reported the Ameren agreement finalizing the final payment of \$1,000,000.00 is near completion. Jarman next mentioned there are a couple of changes to be made in the Hayes Abrasives deed allowing Mike Beeler to acquire land to build a new cabinet shop. The document should be ready for signing later this week. Jarman informed the Council that an agreement has been finalized adding an additional 100 acres to the present Challacombe mineral lease agreement for \$625.00. Jarman has also been working with John Booher on four nuisance abatements. Mayor Baran took this opportunity to mention a property on School Street across from Bob Spinner that needs researched, etc.

Commissioner Hill took this time to remind everyone that the "Chances" building needs attention before it collapses.

City Engineer Scott Hunt was unable to attend the meeting, but had given the Council a brief report on things Hurst & Rosche has been working on.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hill** and seconded by Commissioner Trost to approve the operation and maintenance plan of Lake Hillsboro as prepared by Hurst & Rosche Engineers. Motion carried 5-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hill** and seconded by Commissioner Sherer to approve the Glenn Shoals Emergency Action Plan as prepared by Hurst & Rosche Engineers. Motion carried 5-0.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hill** and seconded by Commissioner Trost to approve the financial responsibility statement and right to access statement for Lake Hillsboro as written by Hurst & Rosche Engineers. Motion carried 5-0.

Commissioner Sherer with the help of Deputy Chief Stretch informed the Council of items they would like to purchase for the dispatch area of the Fire Department to help improve operations. Commissioner Sherer stated dispatching is the glue that holds the Fire Department, Police Department, and Auxiliary Police together. The items needed included, but were not limited to, a means to digitally record all calls to and from the dispatch area and upgrade one of the computers.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer** and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve the purchase of new dispatching equipment with a cost to not exceed \$19,000.00. Motion carried 5-0.

There was a brief discussion on the closing of 2 blocks of Main Street for a mini-biathlon on the 4<sup>th</sup> of July.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Sherer** and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve the closing of 2 blocks of Main Street on July 4<sup>th</sup> from 8:00 am until 9:30 am for a mini-biathlon. Motion carried 5-0.

Scott White and Lori Lancaster were present to discuss a possible lease assignment from Jim Hartman for the cabin located at 742 City Lake Road. They were informed by the City Attorney they would not be approved for a lease assignment if they were not the owners of the cabin. They were going to purchase the cabin contract for deed, which is not acceptable. It was finally decided their attorney needed to meet with ours in order to satisfy all City requirements.

Commissioner Hill informed the Council of the need to purchase a mower deck for Challacombe Park.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hill** and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to purchase a mower deck in the amount of \$1,249.99 for Challacombe Park. Motion carried 5-0.

Upcoming agenda items would consist of a public meeting at 6:45 pm. July 10th concerning this year's fiscal budget.

**Motion to adjourn was made at 7:44 pm by Commissioner Trost** and seconded by Commissioner McCammack. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dave Booher, City Clerk