

Hillsboro City Council Meeting  
May 8, 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 and Hill.

The Pledge of Allegiance was recited.

*Commissioners and Mayors reports;*

Commissioner Hill reported her department is working on getting the pool ready for the season.

Commissioner McCammack reported the water tower on Major Hill is leaking about 2 ft from the top. They have adjusted the interior water level so that the water level is below the leak, but still needs to be fixed. Mayor Baran suggested Commissioner McCammack and City engineer Hunt find a solution to repair the leak. McCammack also informed everyone that the gate at the Street Department is now locked at all times and anyone wishing to dispose of yard waste needs to check in at City Hall.

City Attorney Jarman reported that a settlement concerning the late payment of lease fees concerning the Challacombe mineral rites is forthcoming with an added penalty clause.

City Engineer Hunt reported they are still awaiting final approval from Rural Development concerning the new water plant loan. Approval needs to come from both the State and Federal level. Hunt next reported that Ameren has submitted a proposal to run 3 phase electric to the new raw water pump station. The cost would be just over \$13,000.00. Hunt next reported they are still awaiting approval from Ameren concerning the relocation of the 36" sewer line at the current water plant site. Hunt also stated the 2007 MFT program has been approved by the State and bids will be opened on May 22 at 9:30 am. Hunt reported the engineering for the Hixson rail spur has been completed and if everything meets with City approval the final design will be delivered to Union Pacific.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Trost** and seconded by Commissioner Hill to pay bills in the amount of \$169,694.07. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner McCammack explained the Council the need for a new hand held meter reading unit.

**Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack** and seconded by Commissioner Hill to purchase a handheld meter reading unit at a cost of \$9,675.00. The cost of which will be divided between the water and sewer departments. Motion carried 4-0.

Commissioner McCammack next informed the Council of the need for a utility locator. McCammack stated he found a unit that could be utilized by three City departments to help locate water lines, sewer lines, and electric lines.

**Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack** and seconded by Commissioner Hill to purchase a utility locator in the amount of \$ 4,341.00. The cost of which was to be divided between the water, sewer and parks departments. Motion carried 4-0.

Approval of the bidder for the new water treatment plant was tabled until financing is approved by Rural Development.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hill** and seconded by Commissioner Trost to approve the payment of \$1,000.00 to Hurst & Rosche for survey work done at the Industrial Park. This would allow room for another business to locate there. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Baran read a proposal from Hurst & Rosche to prepare an operation and maintenance plan for Lake Hillsboro and emergency action plans for both Lake Hillsboro and Glenn Shoals. The plans would be prepared at a cost of \$7,800.00. The plan is a requirement of the IDNR.

**Motion was made by Commissioner Hill** and seconded by Commissioner Trost to approve Hurst & Rosche's proposal to prepare emergency action plans concerning both lakes in the event of a dam breach. The cost of the plan would be \$7,800.00. Motion carried 4-0.

Mayor Baran before adjourning the meeting announced what a pleasure it has been to serve with the present Council and hoped to enjoy the same working relationship with the new Council.

**Motion to adjourn was made at 7:18 pm by Commissioner Hill** and seconded by Commissioner Trost. Motion carried 4-0.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Dave Booher, City Clerk