

Hillsboro City Council Meeting
September 26, 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, McCammack and Hill.

The meeting began with the Pledge of Allegiance to the flag.

Mayor and Commissioners reports

Commissioner Hill reported her department was working on this year's haunted forest to be held in the campground on October 20th and 21st. There will be a hayride both nights with a hot dog roast on Saturday evening. The campground will also host a chili cook off competition on Oct 14th and those interested can contact Commissioner Hill or the campground host for more information.

Commissioner Hill next reported on the Lake Study of Glenn Shoals Lake that was recently completed. The study outlined four recommendations to improve the life of the lake. Number one was dredging at an estimated cost of over \$5,000,000.00, continued rip rapping at an estimated cost of nearly \$2,000,000.00, aeration and destratification at the intake tower at a cost of \$250,000.00. It was also recommended to keep working with the NRCS for improvements in the watershed. There will be a public hearing concerning the results of the study sometime in the third week of October.

Commissioner Hill discussed some issues with the Harkey House and the Historical Society. Commissioner Hill thought one method of overcoming future problems would be to lease the Harkey House to the Historical Society with the City maintaining ownership.

Commissioner McCammack informed everyone that due to the dry weather his department is repairing more water leaks than normal. McCammack stated he is probably going to institute a fall leaf cleanup beginning on November 6th following the same schedule as previously used for brush pickup.

Mayor Baran informed everyone he would be giving him or her copies of the Planning Commission report concerning unincorporated property within the City limits. Mayor Baran complimented the Commission on their work. The parcels of property noted in the report need to be identified as to ownership so work can proceed on annexing them into the City.

City Attorney Jarman reported there has been no response from the owners of the brick cabin at Old Lake Hillsboro and would like to set a court date for the middle of October to get approval for demolition. The property on Ash Street is being cleaned up and repairs of the porch roof will be starting soon.

City Engineer Hunt reported that there is a meeting with Rural Development scheduled for October 4th at 1:00 pm at City Hall to discuss funding of the Water Treatment Plant. Hunt also reported that advertising has been published to pre-qualify bidders for the new Water Treatment Plant and to date there have been seven contractors wishing to become pre-qualified. October 18th is the last date for pre-qualifying documentation to be submitted. Hunt next stated there would be a bid opening on

October 2nd at 1:30 in City Hall to select a contractor for this year's 2006 MFT sidewalk replacement program.

Hunt also presented the Council with a copy of the survey involving the former Rapp property on Welch Street that the City had purchased. According to the survey there will be .92 acres available for sale after road repairs are completed. Hunt recommended trimming some of the trees back before any sale of property to avoid any visibility problems in the future.

Commissioner McCammack asked Commissioner Richmond to have his officers review the tree problem and give him their recommendation.

Motion was made by Commissioner Richmond and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to approve Hillsboro High School's request for a Homecoming parade on Main Street October 5th at 3:00 pm. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Trost and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve the expenditure of \$2,800.00 from Hurst & Rosche for this year's dam inspections. Motion carried 5-0.

The request for an intergovernmental agreement between the City of Hillsboro and Coffeen for police services was tabled until the agreement could be reviewed. The request would be placed on the agenda for the next meeting.

Upcoming agenda items;

Commissioner Hill would like digging on City property in the parks stopped and asked Attorney Jarman to research the subject for the next meeting.

Awarding of the 2006 MFT sidewalk bids would be on the next agenda, as well as the possibility of auctioning city surplus properties.

Mayor Baran would like to see the City Hall contract extended allowing the Telfer's use of the storage building behind City Hall through the natural life of Mrs. Telfer. The Telfer's donated the City Hall building to the City 20 years ago.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:24 pm by Commissioner Richmond and seconded by Commissioner Trost. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted
Dave Booher, City Clerk