

Hillsboro City Council Meeting
September 9, 2009

Mayor Baran opened the meeting at 7:00 pm.

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

The "Pledge of Allegiance" was recited.

Minutes of the previous regular and closed session were approved.

Commissioner Hill reported the road oiling and chipping has been completed for this year. Hill next informed everyone that Main Street is scheduled to be resurfaced on September 22nd, 23rd, and 24th. The Main Street business district would be closed at around 3:00 pm on those days with the resurfacing to take place at night. The painting of the lines would take place approximately a week later with a double line going down the middle of Main Street.

Commissioner Hill next informed everyone that work has started on the repair of Challacombe House with the ordering of replacement roof trusses. Her department is also continuing to spray for mosquitoes.

Commissioner Hill next reported camping and boating this past Labor Day weekend was a huge success and plans are underway for this fall's "haunted forest" at the campground.

Mayor Baran asked Commissioners Hill and McCammack along with City Engineer Hunt to meet with Mark Leible and discuss options on repair of his dam.

Commissioner Trost discussed the upcoming agenda item concerning payment of bills and wanted Council input as to what vendors would be paid as there is a shortfall in both the general fund and sewer fund. Commissioner Trost suggested that health insurance premiums, utility bills and bank notes be paid first then prioritize the other bills.

Mayor Baran stated a large part of our problem was due to the delay in property tax money. It was his intent to meet with other County Mayors and draft a resolution to implore the County to speed up their process and get back on the normal schedule.

Commissioner McCammack discussed a water meter problem stating he has a 20 to 25% loss in produced water versus billed water. Commissioner McCammack and Water Superintendent Fath met with a company that would fund replacement of all City water meters and guaranteed the increased revenue would pay for the new meters.

Mayor Baran informed everyone that the report from Leland Storm concerning the Police Department has been completed and copies given to all the Council, Police Chief, Deputy Chief and City Attorney. Mayor Baran stated action on the report would be taken at the next meeting and copies would be available to the public.

City Attorney Jarman stated the annual T.I.F. report has been completed and a date needs to be set for a public meeting with all the county T.I.F. tax recipients. Jarman also presented the Council with a draft ordinance as requested by Commissioner Hill concerning the confidentiality of personal mail and documents for their review.

A meeting date was set for 2:00 pm Monday to review the sewerage agreement with Butler.

City Attorney Jarman informed the Council there has been some movement on the release of the "Chances" mortgage so the building could be sold. There is still one release pending.

City Engineer Hunt reported that work was progressing at the new water plant with the installation of windows and piping in the process area.

Motion was made by Commissioner Trost and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve payment of the bills (\$310,733.92) as funds become available. It was recommended to pay health insurance, utilities, and bank notes first then pay the others as funds become available. It was recommended to pay bills relating to the waste water plant as water payments are received. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve pay request WTP 2008-16 in the amount of \$367,257.38 for work at the new water treatment plant. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner McCammack and seconded by Commissioner Hill to approve water treatment plant change order #6 allowing for a \$39,159.43 deduct contingent on receiving the signed documents from Plocher Construction. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner McCammack to approve the sale of 8 acres of City-owned property in the Irving arm of Glenn Shoals Lake for the appraised amount of \$20,000.00. Motion carried 5-0.

A proposal from Hurst & Rosche to survey the lake cabin properties for a sum of \$16,000.00 was tabled until a later date.

Motion was made by Commissioner Trost and seconded by Commissioner Sherer to approve a block party for the residents of Keller Avenue to be held on September 20th. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Trost to approve the proposal from Hurst & Rosche to inspect dam structure #5 for the lump sum of \$3000.00. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Trost to approve the lease assignment of cabin #5 from James Hartman to Scott White. Motion carried 5-0.

Motion was made by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner Trost to approve an easement on City property located on the Witt road to allow Montgomery County Highway to construct a portion of a culvert on City-owned property. Motion carried 5-0.

Annexation of the property purchased by Hillsboro Energy LLC was tabled until the necessary documents are received.

Upcoming agenda items would include: action on the report from Leland Storm; Butler sewer agreement; zoning and annexation of coal company property; an ordinance allowing for the sale of 8 acres of City owned property and an ordinance concerning privacy of documents.

Motion to adjourn was made at 7:56 by Commissioner Hill and seconded by Commissioner McCammack. Motion carried 5-0.

Respectfully Submitted
Dave Booher, City Clerk