

CITY OF POST OAK BEND

Council Minutes

Tuesday, May 8, 2018

1. Mayor Raymond Bedrick called the Tuesday, May 8, 2018, City Council Meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. A quorum was established. Present: Mayor Bedrick, Councilpersons Judy Ball, Jimmy Lambeth, Jon Hicks, Billy McMahan, Dr. Stephen McMahon. Also present: Jesse Wood, Code Enforcement Officer, Barbara Bedrick, City Secretary
2. Mayor Bedrick and Council recited the pledges.
3. Consider and Act on approval Minutes, March 13, 2018, April 10, 2018 Regular Council Meetings
Billy noted he had abstained from vote on church lease contract and asked to correct pastor's last name.
Motion to approve March 13, 2018, April 10, 2018 Minutes: Jon Hicks, 2nd: Judy Ball In Favor: All Motion Passed
4. Consider and act to approve Financial and Secretary Report - April 2018
City Secretary Bedrick reported she met and is working with two bullders seeking permits for two homes on CR 280 and assisted two other companies on required documents/plans for accessory building and pool permits. Moton to approve FInancial and Secretary Report - April 2018: Hicks 2nd: Ball In favor: All Motion Passed.
5. Citizen Comments: One person asked about Kandy Lane issue, located adjacent to Pebble Creek Estates. Mayor said the City had its attorney send a letter to owner, with timeframe to reply.
6. Approve cancellation of Post Oak Bend City Council Election and certify that the three candidates for council seats are unopposed for election to office
Mayor Bedrick told Council the City must officially cancel the 2018 Council Election and certify unopposed candidates per Secretary of State direction. Motion to cancel 2018 Post Oak Bend City Council Election and certify three unopposed candidates for election to office: Hicks 2nd: Dr. Stephen McMahon In favor: All Motion: Passed
7. Consider and Act on Road Repair Amendment to 2018 Budget
Mayor Bedrick discussed 2018 budget amendment for road repair account on additional City approved funds thus far this year for extremely damaged roads. Road maintenance remains a major concern for City. The CPA said this is the normal procedure cities use to amend budget and draw from prior year budget's unspent and retained revenues to meet city expenditures. Moton to approve road repair amendment to 2018 Budget: Hicks 2nd: Ball In Favor: All Motion Passed.
8. Consider and Act on Code Inspector to issue citations for noncompliance
Mayor Bedrick introduced Jesse Wood, an experienced certified code inspector (16 years) and certified peace officer. Formerly with Forney, he contracts with Oak Ridge. Wood shared insight on how small cities use code inspectors to quickly resolve city ordinance violations, even without municipal courts. He discussed how his experience, in some cases, successfully resolved issues without escalating to paying attorney rates. Certification is kept current by 20 hours annual continuing education. He has filed property liens through Kaufman Co. for failure to comply with laws. He said these generate a \$200 admin fee for City. He discussed potentially dangerous burn ban violations, and other issues facing City today. Question was raised about liability coverage for a code inspector. Motion: Dr. McMahon for Woods to submit resume to City for review/consideration 2nd: Jimmy In Favor: Dr. McMahon, JImmy, Judy, Jon Opposed: Billy Motion Passed.
9. Consider and Act on prosecutor and judge for City Municipal Court
Mayor Bedrick said the City established an ordinance for a municipal court more than 10 years ago to help address city ordinances and code violations. It was brought up for discussion to address enforcement issues and to save the expensive attorney fees currently being paid to draft \$300 letters on a range of issues from failure to clean up lots to failure to pay franchise fees. The item was tabled for further discussion and possible workshop.
10. Consider and act on contractor for tree trimming issue for motorists on CR 278
Mayor Bedrick said motorists have called regarding tree branches damaging their cars on CR 278 near the church because they are vehicle height in the road, and he agreed it's a problem. He said the county gave the city an estimate, and another tree company had said they'd have a bid by today. City Secretary said she received a call; the company decided it didn't have the equipment necessary. More bids are being sought. This item was tabled for additional research and bids.
11. Consider request to construct business and parking on FM 987 in area of single family residential zoning
Mayor Bedrick asked City Secretary to discuss request. The owner recently moved into a new structure off FM 987, across from Jimmy Lambeth (outside City Limits), She ewants to build a business structure and 3-car business carport to be located at FM 987 so customers didn't have to come near her personal residence. Barbara told her it was zoned single family residential by City Ordinance. The owner said she may ask council, but wasn't in attendance tonight. A variance app and fee would need to go before the Planning & Zoning Commission, for consideration and decision. Jon said that's not allowed, it's residential. Billy said

this town was established to be rural. Dr. McMahon said he thought this city was established to provide zoning to protect from Kaufman encroachment, businesses and mobile homes. No action taken.

12. Consider and Act on establishing Yard of the Month in Post Oak Bend City
City Secretary said there was interest in showing City pride by establishing a Post Oak Bend City Beautiful Award - Yard of the Month. Several residents said they would help with criteria based on Kaufman's Keep Kaufman Beautiful program and Terrell's. There would be no cost to City but a \$25 Keep Post Oak Bend Beautiful Award sign. Judy Ball said she didn't want to spend \$25 to support it, with agreement from Jon Hicks, Billy McMahan. The City Secretary offered to donate \$25 for sign. No action taken.

13. Consider items for June agenda - regularly scheduled oaths of new council

14. Motion to adjourn: Judy Second: Jimmy
The Tuesday, May 8, 2018, City Council Meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:

Raymond Bedrick, Mayor
City of Post Oak Bend

Barbara Bedrick, City Secretary
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