

REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL

NOVEMBER 14TH, 2011

PRESENT: Billy John Murphy Mayor
Greg Drennan Alderman Place 1
Kim Johnston Alderman Place 2
Donnie Hayes Alderman Place 3
Dianna Sursa Alderman Place 4
Mike McMahan Alderman Place 5

STAFF: Mark Anderson City Manager
Jocelyn Perez City Secretary
Matt Daffern Gas Supervisor
Tonia Eberhardt EMS Director
Alan Wells Fire Chief

GUESTS: Mrs. Hawthorne
Crystal Rogers

NEWS MEDIA: (None)

ITEM #1: CALL TO ORDER, INVOCATION, PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE, WELCOME GUESTS

Mayor, Billy Murphy called the meeting to order at 6:00 P.M., Council Member Hayes gave the invocation, and lead the pledge. Mayor Murphy took time to thank all guests for coming.

ITEM #2: PUBLIC COMMENT

(No Public Comment)

ITEM #3: MONTHLY REPORTS

Maintenance: Gas Supervisor, Matt Daffern reported the following:

5 Gas leaks have been addressed. There are 8 more to be repaired.
78 Work Orders were completed.
12 Disconnects.
112.23 Tons of Trash for a total cost of \$5,050.35.

E.M.S.: E.M.S. Director Tonia Eberhardt reported the following:

EMS had 18 call outs in October 2011. They had 3 transports to GPCH, 8 No transports, 1 direct transport to BSA, 1 Direct to the VAMC and 2 Direct to Nwth one of which was flow out. We also had 1 first responder call that Borer EMS came and picked up.

Alice Garrard, Greg Stout and I are going to be attending the Texas EMS Conference this next week.

The Ambulance door still needs to be replaced.

Fire Department: Fire Chief Alan Wells reported the following:

Calls

October 2011 – 17

Total Run Data for 2011 – 144

Equipment

- ✓ #8464 – A heater core has been purchased as well as a neutral safety switch. They will be installed as the volunteers get time.
- ✓ #8465 – Firefighters had to replace a sheave and belt on the pump.
- ✓ Firefighters will be working to get inspection stickers on the truck.
- ✓ We will probably begin installing new radios in trucks soon.
- ✓ Narrow-band compliance.
- ✓ The new repeaters will be installed when the FCC license has been granted.
- ✓ We attempted to replace the antenna on the County tower last month, but ran into some electrifying problems. We will attempt to replace the antenna on another day.

Other

The County Burn Ban is still in effect. On Friday, the Commissioner's Court will implement a new burn ban that will allow them to temporarily suspend the ban after periods of wet weather.

NIMS Reminder I100 and I 700

We will conduct hydrant tests in the Spring to keep from freezing hydrants.

The Annual Certification of the Self Contained Breathing Apparatus was completed in October. A couple of the packs had to be taken back to Lubbock for warranty repairs.

Police Department: Chief of Police, Marie Farbro reported the following:

Contacts – 23

Calls for Service – 139

Accidents – 2

Agency Assists – 9

Arrests – 2

E.M.S. – 2

- ✓ We are currently looking at the Copsync Program.

C.D.C.: CDC Member, Kim Johnston reported that Richard Bennett had resigned and that Crystal Rogers has taken his place. Their next meeting is scheduled for October 21st.

City Manager: City Manager Mark Anderson reported the following:

Ambulance Service: Still awaiting word from HCHD in regard to another review session to be scheduled with them.

Gas System: Repair/Upgrade of lines continue as a follow-up of leak survey.

Gas System: A consultant was here on October 20th, and as a result he advised us that we should have a “fuel factor cost” related to the gas we purchase from WTG, included in our customer billing process. This was implemented with the Oct. 31st billing. Also, we are reviewing some of the bigger meters in our system to make sure they are being read and billed properly.

Maintenance/Public Works Employees: Logan Garrard successfully completed his 90 day probation on October 31st. Matt Daffern completed his probation on November 14th, and he will assume the duties of Supervisor of Public Works.

Basic Water Class: Garrard Passed his test and Alderete will retest on December 6th, 2011.

Basic Waste Water Class: Garrard attended a class for this and tested afterwards, on November 1st – November 3rd, and we are waiting for the test results.

Vehicles Purchased: 4X4 2007 Chevrolet for \$17,000 and 2006 Ford Super Crew Cab for \$15,700.

Vehicle & Equip. Disposal: Recommended putting out for bid, the 1984 Chevrolet Diesel 1 ton 4X4 (43,909 Miles) and the Lincoln Electric – Ranger 8 Welder – 115 / 230 Volts / 8000 Watts with (428 Hours).

Storm / Sewer Project: The City Engineer will be at the next meeting in December.

ITEM #4: MINUTES FROM SPECIAL MEETING OCTOBER 3RD, 2011. – APPROVED

Following review of the minutes of the special meeting October 3rd, 2011 motion was made by Council Member Sursa, seconded by Council Member McMahan, to approve the minutes as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

ITEM #5: OCTOBER 2011 PAYMENT TRANSACTIONS - APPROVED

The expenditures for October 2011 were submitted for the consideration of the Council. A motion was made by Council Member Sursa, seconded by Council Member Drennan, to approve payment of the expenditures for October 2011. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

ITEM #6: APPOINTMENT OF CRYSTAL ROGERS TO THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION - APPROVED

Due to the resignation of Richard Bennett the Community Development Corporation would like to appoint Crystal Rogers to the committee. A motion was made by Council Member McMahan, seconded by Council Member Sursa, to approve Crystal Rogers to the CDC. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

ITEM #7: RESOLUTION 111411: ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS HUTCHINSON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT - APPROVED

The following resolution was submitted:

RESOLUTION NO. 111411

A RESOLUTION ADDRESSING ELECTION OF BOARD OF DIRECTORS HUTCHINSON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT

Thus, the City of Stinnett casts the votes, as follows;

CAST THE VOTES SECTION 6.03 – Property Tax Code

LIST OF CANDIDATES

_____	Leslie Deaton
11	Rodney Franklin
_____	Todd Harris
12	Mary Henderson
11	Randy Heston

This Resolution shall take effect and be in force from and after its passage.

Passed and approved this 14th day of November 2011, at the Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Stinnett, Texas, there being a quorum present, by 5 Yeas and 0 Nays, and approved by the Mayor on the date above set out.

Billy Murphy, Mayor

Jocelyn Perez, City Secretary

A motion was made by Council Member Drennan, seconded by Council Member Johnston, to approve Resolution No. 111411: A Resolution Addressing Election of Board of Directors Hutchinson County Appraisal District. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

ITEM #8: SET PUBLIC HEARING DATE – ORDINANCE NO. 323: TO TAX TANGIBLE PERSONAL PERPERTY IN TRANSIT WHCICH WOULD OTHERWISE BE EXEMPT PURSUANT TO TAX CODE, SECTION 11.253.

December 12th, 2011 will be the public hearing date set for the following Ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 323

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF STINNETT TO TAX TANGIBLE PERSONAL PROPERTY IN TRANSIT WHICH WOULD OTHERWISE BE EXEMPT PURSUANT TO TAX CODE, SECTION 11.253

WHEREAS, THE 82nd Texas Legislature in Regular Session has enacted Senate Bill 1 which amends House Bill 621 to take effect January 1, 2012, which added Tex. Tax code 11.253 to exempt from taxation certain tangible personal property held temporarily at a location in this state for assembling, storing, manufacturing, processing or fabricating purposes (goods-in-transit) which property has been subject to taxation in the past: and

WHEREAS, Texas Tax Code 11.253 (j) as amended allows the governing body of a taxing unit, after conducting a public hearing, to provide for the continued taxation of such goods-in-transit; and

WHEREAS, The City Council of the City of Stinnett, having conducted a public hearing as required by Section 1-n (d), Article VIII, Texas Constitution, is of the opinion that it is the best interests of the district to to continue to tax goods-in-transit;

NOW THEREFORE, BE IT ENACTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF STINNETT THAT: The goods-in-transit, as defined Texas Tax Code 11.253 (a)(2), as amended by House Bill 621, enacted by the 82nd Texas legislature in Regular Session, shall Remain Subject to taxation by the City of Stinnett, Texas.

Passed and approved this 12th day of December, 2011, at a Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Stinnett, Texas, there being a quorum present, by _____ Yeas and _____ Nays, and approved by the Mayor on the date above set out.

Billy Murphy, Mayor

Jocelyn Perez, City Secretary

ITEM #9: DISPOSAL OF SURPLUS EQUIPMENT - APPROVED

City Manager Mark Anderson recommended putting out for bid the following items separately:

1984 Chevrolet Diesel 1 Ton 4X4 (43,909 Miles)

Lincoln Electric – Ranger 8 Welder -115/230 Volts, 8000 Watts with 428 Hours

Motion was made by Council Member Drennan, seconded by Council Member Hayes, to approve the Disposal of Surplus Equipment. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

ITEM #9: EXECUTIVE SESSION

(No Session)

ITEM #9: ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: NONE

(No Session)

ITEM #10: ADJOURN

Motion was made by Council Member Johnston, seconded by Council Member McMahan, to adjourn the meeting. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

Meeting adjourned @ 7:00 pm.

Billy Murphy
Mayor

ATTEST

Jocelyn Perez
City Secretary