

Minutes of the Regular
Scheduled Meeting
Troup City Council
July 17, 2017

A Scheduled Meeting of the Troup City Council was held Monday June 19, 2017 at 6:30 pm at the Cameron J-Jarvis Troup Municipal Library located at 102 S. Georgia, Troup, Texas. Councilpersons present were: Mayor Joe Carlyle, Jeff Hale, Gary Salyer, and Carole Wilson. Also present were City Manager Gene Cottle and City Secretary Buffie Deason.

Mayor Joe Carlyle called the meeting to order at 6:35 p.m. noting all Council members were present with exception of Nelson Darden and Carole Wilson. Guest present were John Phillips and Pat Hendrix.

Chip Richardson led the invocation.

Chip Richardson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 4 Consider approval of the minutes from the Regular Scheduled Meeting of June 19, 2017. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the minutes of June 19, 2017. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 5 Citizen Comments- Brief Comments concerning non-Agenda items. No comments made.

Carole Wilson joined the meeting at 6:40 p.m.

Mayor Joe Carlyle- Item 6 Review and consider the city financial report for the month of June 2017. City Manager Gene Cottle presented Council with the monthly financial reports. Councilperson Gary Salyer made the motion to approve the June financial reports. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 7 Comments, questions or input from City Manager's written report. City Manager Gene Cottle presented Council with his monthly report and Chief Pat Hendrix presented his monthly police report. No comments or questions were noted.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 8 Discuss and consider Library Board Recommendations for appointment of Board Member positions for odd years with terms expiring in 2019 for appointees Jan Singletary, Shannon Capps, and Gene Whitsell, and terms of service for the Cameron-J. Jarvis Troup Municipal Library. Councilperson Carole Wilson made the motion to appoint Board Member positions for odd years with terms expiring in 2019 for appointees Jan Singletary, Shannon Capps, and Gene Whitsell, and terms of service for the Cameron-J. Jarvis Troup Municipal Library. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 9 Discuss and consider adding Supplemental Sewage Backup Insurance Policy to the City's existing insurance policy through TML-IRP. City Manager Gene Cottle presented Council with an insurance quote from TML regarding supplemental insurance, he also advised the City was not required to carry this insurance. Council made no motion item failed.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 10 Discuss and consider accepting the resignation of David Wilson as a TCDC Board Member. Gary Salyer stated that Mr. Wilson had submitted his letter of resignation to the TCDC Board. Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to accept David Wilson's letter of resignation. Councilperson Gary Salyer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle– Item 11 Discuss and consider possibly taking legal action against Grimes Construction concerning sewer issues on West Duval. City Manager Gene Cottle told Council of the issues that 1404 W. Duval with sewer and that when public work employees had dug up the area and had discovered that the line had been destroyed by the installation of a gas line that was put in by Grimes Construction. Mr. Cottle also said that Grimes said that were not responsible for the damage to the line. Mr. Cottle stated that the City had sent them a bill and the owner said that he

would like to send a camera down the line to prove that it was not their fault. Mr. Cottle said the camera showed stoppage in the line due to the sand from the damage. Mr. Cottle ask the Council for instruction on how they would like this matter handled. Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to require Grimes Construction to pay \$3601.98 for damages to the City sewer line allowing Grimes not to pay extra fees that were also incurred by the City but if Grimes Construction does not agree to pay then the City will add additional fees to the amount of \$3601.98 and file in small claims court. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion. During discussion, Councilperson Jeff Hale amended his motion to allow the Mayor to be able to sign the letter to proceed with a claim. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the amendment and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 12 Discuss and consider the authorizing the auction of two aerators with a reserve of \$10,000.00 each through Auctioneer Express. City Manager Gene Cottle said that the City was not using these two aerators. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion that the City Council authorize the City Manager to sell two Harris Aerators with a reserve of \$10000.00 each by placing them on auction with Auctioneer Express. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 13 Discuss and consider authorizing the City Manager to publish the Notice of the 2018 Tax Year Proposed Property Tax Rate in the newspaper at the rollback rate when provided by Smith County Tax Assessor. City Manager Gene Cottle said that he had not received the official numbers yet, but would like to publish when received to help with the budget. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to authorize the City Manager to publish the Notice of the 2018 Tax Year Proposed Property Tax Rate in the newspaper at the roll back rate when provided. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Meeting convened at 7:25 p.m.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 14 The City of Troup Council will convene to Executive Session as authorized by Texas Government Code Section 551.072 to discuss Deliberations about real property.

Meeting reconvened at 7:39 p.m.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 15 Reconvene into Regular Meeting and take action if desired on items discussed in Executive Session. Councilperson Gary Salyer made the motion to allow the City Manager to purchase the property that was discussed in the Executive Session at a price of \$18500.00. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 16 Preliminary discussion for the upcoming 2017-2018 Budget Year. This item was for discussion only.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 17 Comments and input from Council, Mayor or City Manager concerning items of interest or items for a future agenda.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 18 Adjourn at 8:20 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,


Buffie Deason/City Secretary