

Minutes of the Regular
Scheduled Meeting
Troup City Council
December 17, 2018

A Scheduled Meeting and Public Hearing of the Troup City Council was held Monday December 17, 2018 at 6:30 pm at the Cameron J-Jarvis Troup Municipal Library located at 102 S. Georgia, Troup, Texas. Councilpersons were: Mayor Joe Carlyle, Jeff Hale, Nelson Darden, Brandi Barton, Chip Richardson, and Carole Wilson. Also present were City Manager Gene Cottle and City Secretary Buffie Deason.

Mayor Joe Carlyle called the meeting to order at 6:32 p.m. noting all Council members were present with the exception of Nelson Darden.

Joe Carlyle led the invocation.

Joe Carlyle led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 4 Consider approval of the minutes from the Regular Scheduled Meeting of October 15, 2018 and November 19, 2018. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the minutes as written. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

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

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 6 Review and consider the city financial report for the month of November 2018. Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to accept the financial report. Councilperson Chip Richardson 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 police report. The Mayor presented the racial profiling report to Council for annual review.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 8 Discuss and consider authorizing the sale of City Assets by auction. City Manager Gene Cottle presented Council with a list of items from the Public Works department that were no longer needed and requested that the items be listed to be auctioned with a reserve for the two aerators listed as item 18. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to authorize the City manager to sale the listed items by auction with a reserve of \$5000.00 each for the two aerators listed. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 9 Discuss and consider prohibiting overnight parking on Troup City Hall/Post Office Parking Lot. City Manager Gene Cottle told Council that the City had received complaints about vehicles being parked not only overnight but for several day impeding other from parking. Mr. Cottle said that he had spoken with the Police Department and since it was not a City Street the vehicle could not be towed by the police department. Mr. Cottle then said he contacted Mason’s Towing and was told that without a sign prohibiting overnight parking the City would be at risk for towing the vehicle. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to authorize the City Manager to post a sign prohibiting overnight parking at City Hall and Library parking lot. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 10 Discuss and consider leasing the water tower access to DCTexas Internet for antennas. City manager Gene Cottle told Council he had been asked by DCTexas about being able to place and antenna on the water tower. Mr. Cottle told Council that he had negotiated a fee that he thought was fair for \$75.00 for the first 12 months and then \$175.00 a month thereafter. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to lease the water tower access

to DCTexas Internet for antennas at a fee of \$75.00 for the first 12 months and then \$175.00 per month after the 12 month period. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 11 The City of Troup Council will convened to Executive Session as authorized by Texas Government Code to discuss item (1) Section 551.072 to discuss Deliberations about real property; and item (2) Section 551.074 Personnel matters concerning the City Secretary at 7:05 p.m.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 12 Reconvene into Regular Meeting and take action if desired on items discussed in Executive Session at 8:16 p.m. Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to allow the City Manager to negotiate a purchase of property from Mr. Castleberry for the purchase price of \$6750.00 plus closing cost. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously. No action taken on item 2.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 13 Comments and input from Council, Mayor or City Manager concerning items of interest or items for a future agenda. Carole Wilson told other Council members that at the last meeting there was not a police officer and that she would prefer other members to wait and make sure that everyone is finished up and the building is secured before leaving. Mayor Carlyle told City Manager Cottle if he will not be present that he thinks that the Police Chief should be at the meeting.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 14 Adjourn at 8:21 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script, appearing to read "Buffie Deason", with a long horizontal flourish extending to the right.

Buffie Deason/City Secretary