

Minutes of a Regular Meeting
Of the
Troup City Council
July 20, 2020

A Regular Meeting of the Troup City Council was held Monday, July 20, 2020 at 6:30 p.m. in person and Via Teleconference due to Covid 19. Councilpersons were: Mayor Joe Carlyle, Jeff Hale, Nelson Darden, Brandi Barton, Chip Richardson, and Carole Wilson.

Mayor Joe Carlyle called the meeting to order at 6:30 noting Council member Chip Richardson was present. Mayor Joe Carlyle, Jeff Hale, Nelson Darden, Brandi Barton, and Carole Wilson joined the meeting by tele-conference.

Nelson Darden led the pledge and invocation.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 4 Citizen Comments- Any Citizen wishing to address the Council on an agenda item may do so during the citizen comment section of the meeting or when the item is being considered by the Council. No comments made.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 5 Discuss and consider approving the minutes for Regular Scheduled meeting for June 15, 2020. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the minutes for June 15, 2020. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 6 Discuss and Consider the Monthly Financial Report from the City Manager. Councilmembers were presented financial reports in their agenda packet and email. Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to approve the monthly financial report. Councilperson Chip Richardson seconded the motion. And the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

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 Officer Kyle Stowers presented the police report.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 8 Discuss and consider a recommendation from the City of Troup Planning and Zoning Commission on a Zone change from Single Family Residential to Multi-family residential for the properties located at 608; 612; 616; and 620 Giles Street. Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to approve the Zone change from Single Family Residential to Multi-family residential for the properties at 608; 612; 616; and 620 Giles Street. Councilperson Chip Richardson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 9 Discuss and consider Library Board Recommendations for appointment of Board Member positions for even years with terms expiring in 2022 for appointees Sue Hunter, Cindy Steele, Sonja Rountree, and Joe McElroy, and terms of service for the Cameron-J. Jarvis Troup Municipal Library. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to appoint Board Member positions for even years with terms expiring in 2022 for appointees Sue Hunter, Cindy Steele, Sonja Rountree, and Joe McElroy, and terms of service for the Cameron-J. Jarvis Troup Municipal Library. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 10 Discuss and consider the final re-plat of 105 S. Beulah, 1003 W. Noble, and the boundary lines of 1004 W. Duval requested by Shane Jasper. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the final re-plat of 105 S. Beulah, 1003 W. Noble, and 1004 W. Duval. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 11 Discuss and Consider approval of the Smith County 911 Budget for Fiscal Year 2020-2021. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the Smith County 911 budget for the Fiscal year 2020-2021. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 12 Discuss and consider approving the Troup Community Development Corporation Budget for 2020-2021. No action taken.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 13 Discuss and Consider hours for The City of Troup Parks. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to make the closing time for the City of Troup Parks to be at 8:00 p.m. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 14 Discuss and Consider approving 15 year longevity pay for the Police Department. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the 15 year longevity pay for the Police Department. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 15 Discuss and Consider late/past fees and service disconnection for delinquent water utility bills. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to begin charging late/past fees and service disconnection for delinquent utility bills beginning in the month of August. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 16 Discuss and Consider ORDINANCE 2020-0720-01 FOR THE CITY OF TROUP, TEXAS REGULATING OFF HIGHWAY VEHICLES WITHIN THE INCORPORATED LIMITS OF THE CITY OF TROUP, TEXAS; PROVIDING FOR DEFINITIONS; PROVIDING EXCEPTIONS TO SUCH REGULATIONS; PROVIDING A PENALTY CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR PUBLICATION; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve Ordinance 2020-0720-01. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – against; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 17 Discuss and Consider Resolution No. 2020-0720-01R “RESOLUTION DESIGNATING EMPLOYEE RESPONSIBLE FOR CALCULATING THE CITY’S NO-NEW-REVENUE TAX RATE AND THE VOTER-APPROVAL TAX RATE IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE TEXAS TAX CODE.”

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 18 Discuss and consider ORDINANCE 2020-0720-02 FOR THE CITY OF TROUP, TEXAS AMENDING ARTICLE 10.02 (PLAT PREPARATION AND APPROVAL PROCEDURES) OF THE TROUP MUNICIPAL CODE OF ORDINANCES; PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR A REPEALER CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Councilperson Nelson Darden made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2020-0720-02. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 19 Preliminary discussion of the 2020-2021 Budget and the Budget Timeline. Discussion Item only.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 20 Discuss and consider the preliminary re-plat of 105 S. Beulah, 1003 W. Noble, and the boundary lines of 1004 W. Duval requested by Shane Jasper. No Action on this item.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 21 Discuss and consider awarding bid for vacuum excavator. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to award the bid for the vacuum excavation to Ditch Witch. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded

the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 22 Discuss and consider approving Resolution No. 2020-0720-04R “A RESOLUTION REGARDING A FINANCE CONTRACT FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROCURING A VACUUM EXCAVATOR”. Councilperson Nelson Darden made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-0720-04R. Councilperson Chip Richardson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 23 Discuss and consider RESOLUTION 2020-0720-02R OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUP, TEXAS, SELECTING AN ENGINEERING FIRM IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, TEXAS CAPITAL FUND, DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROGRAM. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-0720-02R selecting CT Brannon Corporation as the engineering firm. Councilperson Nelson Darden seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

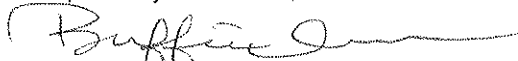
Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 24 Discuss and consider RESOLUTION 2020-0720-03R OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUP, SELECTING AN ENGINEER IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE SUBMITTAL OF AN APPLICATION FOR FUNDING THROUGH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE, 2021-2022 TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-0720-03R selecting CT Brannon Corporation as the engineering firm. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle –Item 25 Discuss and consider approval of resolution 2020-0720-05R accepting the Downtown Sidewalk Renovations, under the City's TDA Contract No. 7218202 Funded Project, and authorizing final payment to Crown Civil Construction Corporation in the amount of \$37,912.46. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve resolution 2020-0720-05R. Councilperson Brandi Barton seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Brandi Barton – pass, Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 26 Comments and input from Council, Mayor or City Manager concerning items of interest or items for a future agenda.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 27 Adjourn at 7:35 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Buffie Deason/City Secretary

