

Minutes of a Regular Meeting  
Of the  
Troup City Council  
June 15, 2020

A Regular Meeting of the Troup City Council was held Monday, June 15, 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 7:08 noting all Council members were present with the exception of Brandi Barton and Nelson Darden. Nelson Darden joined the meeting by teleconference.

Jeff Hale 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 May 18, 2020. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the minutes for May 18, 2020. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously by roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – 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 Carole Wilson seconded the motion. And the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – 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 the monthly police report.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 8 Discuss and consider approval of an Ordinance No. 2020-0615-01 authorizing the issuance of \$840,000 “City of Troup, Texas, Combination Tax and Surplus Water and Sewer System Revenue Certificates of Obligation, Series 2020, Authorizing the sale thereof; and enacting provisions incident and related to the issuance of said certificates. Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2020-0615-01. Councilperson Chip Richardson seconded the motion and the motion passed unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 9 Discuss and consider approval of a Resolution No. 2020-0615-01R concerning a principal forgiveness agreement with the Texas Water Development Board in the approximate amount of \$300,000; accepting the terms of the financial assistance from the state agency; and, authorizing officials of the City to execute the agreement. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2020-0615-01R. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 10 Discuss and consider preliminary draft budget. Discussion only.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 11 Discuss and consider budget and tax rate calendar. Discussion only.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 12 Discuss and consider authorizing the City Manager to have published all notices and documents relating to the 2020-2021 budget and tax rate that may require publication before the next regular city council meeting. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to allow the City Manager to publish notices for the 2020-2021 budget and tax rate. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 13 Discuss and consider approving a smoke test contract in the amount of \$15,000 with Schaumburg and Polk, Inc. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the smoke test contract with Schaumburg and Polk, Inc. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 14 Discuss and consider authorizing the City Manager to solicit competitive bids for a trailer mounted vacuum excavator. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to authorize the City Manager to solicit bids for a trailer mounted vacuum excavator. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 15 Issue Certificate of Election to unopposed Councilpersons.

Place II – Nelson Darden, Jr. (unopposed)

Place V – Carole Wilson (Unopposed)

Mayor – Joe Carlyle (Unopposed)

Complete Statement of Elected Officer

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 16 Council convened for a Board of Adjustments meeting and Public Hearing concerning Substandard Structures located at 208 S. Beulah at 8:13 p.m.

Conducted Public Hearing. No comments made.

Closed Public Hearing at 8:15 p.m.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 19 Discuss and consider taking action, including, but not limited to, issuing Demolition Orders by the Board of Adjustments on items discussed during the Public Hearing. Councilperson Chip Richardson made to motion to issue demolition orders for the property located at 208 S. Beulah. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Closed Board of Adjustment meeting and reconvened to Council Meeting at 8:16 p.m.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 21 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. Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to approve the preliminary re-plat of 105 S. Beulah, 1003 W. Noble, and the boundary lines of 1004 W. Duval. Councilperson Chip Richardson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 22 Consider authorizing the Mayor to execute an agreement for employee health insurance at the re-rated fees for 2020-2021 and a renewal of the Continuation of Coverage Agreement (COBRA). Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to allow the Mayor to execute an agreement for employee health insurance at the re-rated fees for 2020-2021 and a renewal of the Continuation of Coverage Agreement (COBRA) with TML Health. Councilperson Chip Richardson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 23 Discuss and consider adopting Ordinance No. 2020-0615-02 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL DESIGNATING AN OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER FOR THE CITY OF TROUP FOR FISCAL YEAR 2020. Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2020-0615-02. Councilperson Nelson Darden seconded the motion and

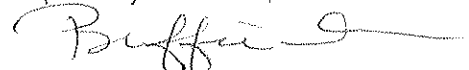
the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote. Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 24 Discuss and consider approval of the 2021 budget for Cherokee County Appraisal District. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the 2021 budget for Cherokee County Appraisal District. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously with a roll call vote . Jeff Hale – pass; Nelson Darden – pass; Carole Wilson – pass, and Chip Richardson – pass.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 25 Comments and input from Council, Mayor or City Manager concerning items of interest or items for a future agenda.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 26 Adjourn at 8:23 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

