

## **TOLAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES – APRIL 26, 2010 – REGULAR MEETING**

The City of Tolar Council met on April 26, 2010 at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Terry Johnson, Mayor  
Sally Grimes  
Barbara Gilliam  
Kevin Fron

Absent: Matt Hutsell  
Lindsay Morgan

City Staff Present: Joyce Johnson, City Secretary  
Rodney Cox, Chief of Police

Citizens Present Kathie Cherry  
Gandolf Burrus, Grant Development Services

### **CALL TO ORDER**

A quorum was established and the regular meeting was called to order at 7:01 P.M.

### **ROLL CALL**

Sally Grimes, Barbara Gilliam and Kevin Fron were present. Matt Hutsell and Lindsay Morgan were absent

### **NEW BUSINESS**

- A. Discuss and approve Ordinance 10-05 Cancelling the May 10, 2010 election and declaring unopposed candidates elected to office

Motion b Barbara Gilliam, second by Sally Grimes to approve Ordinance 10-05  
Motion carried 3-0

- B. Swearing in elected officials and presentation of certificates of election

This item was tabled to next meeting

### **CITIZENS APPEARANCE**

None

### **CONSENT AGENDA**

None

### **APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

March 15, 2010 regular meeting

Motion by Sally Grimes, second by Barbara Gilliam to approve minutes as presented.  
Motion carried 3-0

### **OLD BUSINESS**

A. Discuss and take necessary action for the JD Neely Community Center

Mrs. Cherry updated council on the progress of the construction. Al Warden will do a cover for the back porch cost will be for materials only of \$ 300.00, will be done in about two weeks. Community service workers will be doing the walkway and steps on the south side of building.

B. Discuss and possibly take necessary action concerning zoning of the City of Tolar  
Contact was made with Mr. Boutwell. Concept plan and land use map is near completion. Mr. Boutwell hopes to have ready for the council to preview soon.

### **NEW BUSINESS (cont'd)**

A. Receive presentation from Gandolf Burrus, Grant Development Services, providing a report on the completion and audit of the Community Development Block Grant WWTP project number 727470

B. Receive report from Grant Development Services, regarding upcoming grant opportunities

C. Discuss and possible action regarding Letter of Agreement with Grant Development Services to prepare Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) application for competition in 2011/2012 Texas Department of Rural Affairs TXCPD funding cycle.

Items A,B and C were presented as one item. Audit was completed April 16, 2010. Overall audit was clean, one minor finding was the time frame between the bid and the award of the bid was greater than ninety days. Mr. Burrus reminded council that this due to the bid came in way lower than expected and in order to lock in that bid the city accepted it and awarded to contractor later. Contractor was on another job at the time. Letter will be sent to Texas Department of Rural Affairs explaining this. City will not be penalized for this when future grants are applied for.

Applications for future grants are due in the fall of 2010. Mr. Burrus has successfully obtain 11 out of 12 grants that the city has applied for. Requested that the city enter into a letter of agreement with Grant Development Services that will allow him to prepare contract for the upcoming competition fund year.

Motion by Kevin Fron, second by Barbara Gilliam to enter into Letter of Agreement.  
Motion carried 3-0

D. Discuss and consider allowing Police Department to scrap all of the inoperable patrol cruisers and use funds for repairs to the vehicle received from HCSO

Chief Cox would like to pull what parts can be used and scrap the remains of the cruisers.  
Mayor Johnson would like for him to check out various options to get the most revenue .

Motion by Sally Grimes, second by Kevin Fron to allow Chief Cox to scrap cruisers and figure out how to get the most money.  
Motion carried 3-0

- E. Discuss and consider approval of inter local agreement between Hood County Animal Control and the City of Tolar

Fee for services have changed from \$ 37.50 per call to \$ 60.00 per call and will include fees to board, trap rental fees, euthanizing the animal if necessary and all other billable fees.

Motion by Sally Grimes, second by Barbara Gilliam to accept Hood County Animal Control inter local agreement.

Motion carried 3-0

- F. Discuss and approve Ordinance 10-06 amending Ordinance 01-3 to prohibit use of cell phones in school zone on Hwy 377

Motion by Barbara Gilliam, second by Kevin Fron to accept Ordinance 10-06

Motion carried 3-0

- G. Discuss and consider the requirement of voluntary annexation into the city limits on water and sewer taps requested outside the city limits

Current policy does not cover this however our CCN would but just to cover everything Mr. Mackey requested that voluntary annexation be added to the current line extension policy. This would allow for future growth of the city.

Motion by Sally Grimes, second by Barbara Gilliam to add voluntary annexation requirement to the current line extension policy

Motion carried 3-0

- H. Discuss and approve financials, bank reconciliations and accounts payable

Motion by Barbara Gilliam, second by Sally Grimes to approve as presented

Motion carried 3-0

### **ITEMS FROM COUNCIL**

- A. Discuss and possibly take action on the procedure of the work in progress and work to be done in the future and keeping council informed.

It was noted that this is work being done at the community center. Council member Barbara Gilliam questioned the way some of the work that has been and being done and not keeping the council informed more. There were some brief discussion exchanged between Ms. Cherry and council member Barbara Gilliam. Mrs. Cherry left the meeting. Further conversation was held between the council members concerning the community center. They feel as though Mrs. Cherry needed a break and had too much to handle with the community center and her husband's health issues.

- B. Discuss and possibly take action on dissolving the current JD Neely Community Center Committee and reassigning to the city.

Discussion was held concerning the necessity for the city to oversee the daily operations, bookings, policy and procedures of the community center. Council would like for Mrs. Cherry to continue handling the fund raisers if she desires to.

Motion by Sally Grimes, second by Kevin Fron to dissolve the current community center committee and the city to oversee all of the daily operations, bookings, funds, policy and procedures be passed by ordinance now and directed city secretary to contact city attorney and have the ordinance drafted.

Motion carried 3-0

C. Discuss and consider and receive information on Adopt a Highway Program

Council member Sally Grimes would like for the city council to participate in this. Contract would be for two years. Trash would be picked up four times a year along a two mile section of Hwy.

Motion by Sally Grimes, second by Barbara Gilliam for the Tolar City Council to do the Adopt A Highway Program

Motion carrier 3-0

### **STAFF REPORTS**

A. Police Report

Written report provided to council. No motion made

B. Court Report

Written report provided to council. No motion made

C. Public Works Report

Written report provided to council. No motion made.

D. Administrative Report

Mayor Johnson asked Jeff Mackey to contact David's Supermarket to see if they would be interested in possibly putting in a store in Tolar. Will keep council informed.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

### **ACTION ON ITEMS TAKEN UP IN EXECUTIVE SESSION**

None

### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

May 17, 2010 regular meeting

### **ADJOURN**

Motion by Kevin Fron, second by Barbara Gilliam to adjourn meeting at 8:15 p.m.

Motion carried 3-0

APPROVED: \_\_\_\_\_  
Terry Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST: \_\_\_\_\_  
Joyce Johnson, City Secretary