

TOLAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES – DECEMBER 18, 2006 – REGULAR MEETING

The City of Tolar Council met on December 18, 2006 at 7:00 P.M.

Present: Terry Johnson, Mayor
Barbara Gilliam
Charles Carroll
Janet Carter
Charlotte Mabery

City Staff Present: Joyce Johnson, City Secretary
Jeff Mackey, Director of Public Works

Citizens Present: Bob Neely Jack Ives Janet Morrison
Eldon & Ann Winston Rick & Anita Henslee Matt Hutsell
Janet Morrison Mark Waldrep Danny Baize
Marvin Reavis Bob Fuller Donna Allen
Robert Douglas Michelle Barron Andrew Neeld
Bob Taylor Drew & Lori Livingston Ronnie Bell
Jimmy Barron Jill Gray Howard Nance
Ray Grimes

CALL TO ORDER

A quorum was established and the meeting was called to order at 7:00 P.M.

ROLL CALL

Council members Barbara Gilliam, Charles Carroll, Janet Carter and Charlotte Mabery were present.

PRESENTATION BY CITIZENS

- A. Barry Gilbert of Pro Cad-ETJ mapping services

Mr. Gilbert was not present at meeting.

- B. Janet Morrison-propose office spaces for lease in old fruit stand

Ms. Morrison wanted to inform the council that she was purchasing the fruit stand and will be remodeling to create ten office spaces.

- C. Matt Hutsell-address council on possibility of a no parking ordinance in front of Fire Hall.

Mr. Hutsell asked council to consider at next meeting adopting a no parking ordinance in front of Fire Hall. Large trucks are parking there and blocking driveways and interfering with emergency calls.

CITIZENS APPEARANCE – 5 MINUTE LIMIT

None

STAFF REPORTS

- A. Police Report

Chief Allen presented council with a written report.

Motion by Janet Carter, second by Barbara Gilliam to approve report as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

- B. Approve bank reconciliations

Motion by Charles Carroll, second by Barbara Gilliam to approve as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

- C. Investment report

Written report was provided to council.

Motion by Janet Carter, second by Barbara Gilliam to approve as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

A. 09-29-06 Special Meeting

Motion by Janet Carter, second by Barbara Gilliam to approve as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

B. 10-20-06 Regular Meeting

Motion by Janet Carter, second by Charlotte Mabery to approve as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

C. 10-27-06 Special Meeting

Motion by Charlotte Mabery, second by Janet Carter to approve as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORT

None

OLD BUSINESS

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

Jeff Mackey informed council that the piers had been poured and slab will be poured next week if weather permits.

B. Discuss and consider preliminary plat for Herman Pruitt's subdivision at 406 N. Elm

Lane

Plat complies with city ordinances.

Motion by Janet Carter, second by Barbara Gilliam to approve as presented.

Motion carried 4-0

C. Discuss and consider preliminary plat for Eldon Winston's subdivision at Asbury Rd.

Mr. Winston presented to council and citizens present. Entrance has been changed from Asbury Lane to Hwy 56. There will be sixty (60) to sixty-five (65) lots. Lot line has been changed to allow for the 25 foot easement as required by city ordinance. Detention Pond will be for 20,000 gallons that will be gravity fed over 12 hours. Park will still be assessable to homeowners only and maintain by homeowners. City will receive a 150' X 150' well site at no charge.

Council member Janet Carter questioned the lot sizes, smallest lot will be 5100 square feet and largest lot will be 10,000 square feet (this is with park averaged in). Mrs. Carter would like to see the lot size meet the city ordinance without park averaged in and would also like to see engineers report.

Citizens that were present expressed their many concerns about the flooding issues in the past and future. Mr. Winston stated that he had an engineers look at the flooding issue and detention pond should help with the flooding by detaining the water and releasing it out over a 12 hour period. Citizens still feel like this is going to add to the problem and does not want subdivision to be developed.

Mayor Johnson asked for a motion to approve preliminary plat as presented with written changes.

Motion was so moved by Charles Carroll and second by Charlotte Mabery.

Motion was 2 for 2 opposed. Council members Janet Carter and Barbara Gilliam were opposed.

Mayor Johnson voted for making the vote 3 for 2 opposed.

Motion carried 3-2.

NEW BUSINESS

A. Discuss and consider the possibility of Texas New Mexico Power purchasing of 1 to 2

acres of land located behind Fairland Oaks Subdivision for the City for a new substation location

Mr. Bob Fuller and Danny Baize addressed council on the possible purchase of land from the city. With the current load increase and allowing for future growth a new substation is needed. This will also allow for better voltage being closer to the city. Mr. Fuller asked the council to consider the sale of the land as soon as possible; they would like to move forward.

Motion by Janet Carter, second by Barbara Gilliam pursue the sell of the land.

Motion carried 4-0

B. Authorize Mayor to sign credit application and open an account with Granbury Tire and Service.

Account would be for the purchase of tire for the patrol cars. City would receive the discounted government rate.

Motion by Charles Carroll, second by Charlotte Mabery to authorize Mayor to sign and open account.

Motion carried 4-0

C. Authorize Mayor to sign inter-local agreement with Hood County for road repairs.

Motion by Janet Carter, second by Barbara Gilliam to authorize Mayor to sign inter-local with Hood County.

Motion carried 4-0

ITEMS FROM COUNCIL

A. Discuss financial status of Police Department

Janet Carter questioned where the funds carried over by the prior Chief were going.

Funds are going to expenses occurred and payroll for the 2005-2006 budget. No excess purchases have been made. Revenue projected was not met.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ACTION ON ITEMS TAKEN UP IN EXECUTIVE SESSION

None

ANNOUNCEMENTS

A. Open Meetings & Public Information Training Workshop @ 6:00 p.m.

B. Regular Meeting 01-22-07 @ 7:00 p.m.

ADJOURN

Motion by Janet Carter, second by Barbara Gilliam adjourn meeting at 8:45 p.m.

Motion carried 4-0

APPROVED:

Terry Johnson, Mayor

ATTEST:

Joyce Johnson, City Secretary