

MINUTES
COUNCIL MEETING
CITY OF COLEMAN
CITY HALL
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 20, 2014
6:00 P.M.

PRESENT: Mayor Kay Joffrion, Mayor Pro Tem Gary Payne, Councilwoman Tracy Rankin, Councilwoman Charlotte Purl, Councilman Johnny Needham, City Manager Paul Catoe, City Attorney Lois Rockefeller and City Secretary Karen Langley.

ABSENT: None

CALL MEETING TO ORDER: Mayor Kay Joffrion

INVOCATION: Mayor Kay Joffrion

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

WELCOME OF VISITORS AND GUESTS: Mayor Joffrion welcomed guests and visitors.

CONSENT AGENDA:

1. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions regarding the approval of the minutes from the regular meeting held on January 16, 2014 and the called meetings held on January 23, 2014 and February 6, 2014.
 2. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions regarding the approval of the Code Enforcement Report for January, 2014.
 3. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions regarding the approval of the Police Department Report for January, 2014.
 4. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions regarding the approval of the Municipal Court Report for January, 2014.
 5. The City Council may consider, discuss, and or take actions regarding the approval of the Professional Fees for January, 2014.
 6. The City Council may consider, discuss, and or take actions regarding the approval of the Progress Reports on the Texas Water Development Board Project for January, 2014.
 7. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions regarding the Lake Levels for Hords Creek and Lake Coleman. January 2014 report.
- A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Payne to approve the consent agenda as presented. Councilwoman Purl seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

RECOGNITION OF THE EMPLOYEE OF THE MONTH FOR JANUARY 2014 – Mayor Kay Joffrion

Sharilyn Tomme was recognized as Employee of the month for January 2014.

HEARING OF VISITORS CONCERNING MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA:

None

The City Council may enter into Executive Session to discuss legal matters with the City Attorney Lois Rockefeller and special Attorney Geoffrey Gay regarding provisions of the AEP Contract pursuant to Government Code 551.071 – Mayor Kay Joffrion. A motion was made by Councilwoman Purl to enter into Executive Session at 6:10 p.m. Councilman Needham seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

Upon returning to open session the City Council may take whatever actions they may deem appropriate regarding the subject matter discussed in Executive Session – Mayor Kay Joffrion. A motion was made by Councilwoman Rankin to return from Executive Session at 7:26 p.m. Councilman Needham seconded the motion the motion carried 4-0. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Payne to authorize Geoffrey Gay to negotiate a congestive management program with AEP. Councilwoman Purl seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

OLD BUSINESS:

1. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions to approve the seconded reading of a “Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance” – Mayor Kay Joffrion and Drew Hubbard, CEDC. A motion was made by Councilwoman Rankin to approve the second reading of Ordinance 1147 “Flood Damage Prevention Ordinance”. Councilman Needham seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

2. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take action to approve the “Option Agreement Extension” on a 233 acre tract, more or less, between the City of Coleman and the Alternative Energy Development, LLC – Mayor Kay Joffrion and Drew Hubbard, CEDC. Randal Terrell with Alternative Energy Development stated he was requesting a six month extension. Everything is in place to start this project except the end purchase product and negotiations are in place. A motion was made by Councilwoman Purl to approve the Option Agreement Extension ending on July 31, 2014 for Alternative Energy Development. Mayor Pro Tem Payne seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions regarding the approval of the Racial Profiling Report for Lake Coleman for the year ending December, 2013 – Mayor Kay Joffrion and Lake Warden Wally Dobbins. A motion was made by Councilwoman Rankin to approve the Racial Profiling Report for Lake Coleman for the year ending December 2013. Councilman Needham seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
2. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions regarding the approval of the Mayor’s request to proclaim the Month of March as “The True Grit Month” for the Coleman Public Library – Mayor Kay Joffrion and Sue Dossey, Director of the Coleman Public Library. Sue Dossey explained they were invited by the Cross Plains Library to participate in a Big Read Program which is sponsored by the National Endowment of the Arts. A motion was made by Councilwoman Purl to proclaim the month of March as “The True Grit Month”. Councilman Needham seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
3. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions regarding the approval of a Resolution providing that the City of Coleman, Texas accept full ownership of certain tax properties in order to perform demolition, cleanup and disposal of certain listed properties – Mayor Kay Joffrion and Chief Jay Moses. This Resolution authorizes the City to participate in the process of cleaning up these properties. Once cleaned off they will then be sold and placed back on the tax role. A motion was made by Councilwoman Rankin to approve Resolution 14-02 providing that the City of Coleman, Texas, accept full ownership of certain tax properties in order to perform demolition, cleanup and disposal of certain listed properties. Councilwoman Purl seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
4. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions regarding the approval of the City’s annual audit for the year ending 09-30-13 as presented by the auditing firm of Merritt, McClane & Hamby – Mayor Kay Joffrion and Michael Hamby, Merritt, McClane & Hamby. Michael Hamby after explaining the audit commented there were no discrepancies. \$38,929 in the plus with a nearly break even for the fiscal year 2012-2013. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Payne to approve the annual audit for the fiscal year ending 9/30/2013 as presented by the auditing firm Merritt, McClane & Hamby. Councilman Needham seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.
5. The City Council may consider, discuss and or take actions regarding the approval of the temporary closure of College Street between Colorado and Commercial between 4:00 p.m. and 8:00 p.m. on March 29, 2014 for “Vision Coleman” – Mayor Kay Joffrion. This will tie into the True Grit Month and the activities that have been going on in the downtown area. A motion was made by Councilwoman Purl to approve the temporary closure of College Street between Colorado and Commercial between 4:00 p.m. & 8:00 p.m. on March 29, 2014. Councilman Needham seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

STAFF COMMENTS:

1. The City Council may consider, discuss and approve the financial report for the month of January, 2014 to include Revenues, Expenditures and to include the Cash Balance Report – City Manager, Paul Catoe. A motion was made by Councilwoman Rankin to approve the January 2014 financial report as presented. Councilwoman Purl seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

MAYOR AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

1. The Mayor may read cards which the city has received from the public – Mayor Kay Joffrion. Mayor Joffrion read a card from Bill and Kay LeMay complementing the employees of the City Park on the cleanliness of the park and facilities. A thank you note from Joe Haynes was read for a plant that was sent in the passing of his father.

The City Council may enter closed or executive session to conduct the annual evaluation of the City Manager pursuant to Government Code 551.074. A motion was made by Councilwoman

Rankin to enter into executive session at 8:45 p.m. Mayor Pro Tem Payne seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Purl to return to regular session at 11:10 p.m. Councilman Needham seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.

With no further business a motion was made by Councilwoman Rankin to adjourn the meeting at 11:18 p.m. Councilman Needham seconded the motion. The motion carried 4-0.


CITY SECRETARY


MAYOR