

FARMERSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
December 3, 2013

The Farmersville City Council met in special session on December 3, 2013 at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall with the following members present: Mayor Helmberger, John Klostermann, Michael Hesse, Russell Chandler and Jim Foy. Members absent were Michael Carr. Staff members present were City Manager Ben White, City Attorney Alan Lathrom, Police Chief Mike Sullivan, Fire Chief Kim Morris, Finance Director Daphne Hamlin and Assistant to the City Manager Paula Jackson.

Item I) CALL MEETING TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

Mayor Helmberger called the meeting to order. Paula Jackson called the roll and announced a quorum was present. Mayor Helmberger welcomed all guests and visitors. Jim Foy offered the invocation with Mayor Helmberger leading the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

Mayor Helmberger announced the annual Christmas Parade to be held on Saturday, December 14th at 7:00pm. Also Angel Tree angels are available at various stores and businesses. For more information, contact the Farmersville Resale Shop.

Due to the holidays, the next Council meeting will be held December 17th. Finally, City Offices will be closed December 23rd through December 25th for the Christmas Holiday. The Fire Department Christmas Party will be Saturday December 7th at 7:00pm at the First Methodist Church.

Item II – A) ONLY READING – CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AN ORDINANCE TO AMEND THE MASTER FEE SCHEDULE REGARDING REFUSE/GARBAGE AND RECYCLE SERVICE

City Manager Ben White informed the Council that in the summer a rate increase was requested by Progressive Waste and Community Waste Disposal and both service providers were approved by the City Council. Progressive Waste applied their increase this past month's billing with 1.21% increase. The rates will be increased effective the date of the ordinance. Jim Foy stated the percentage equates to \$0.16 on polycart service for residential and \$0.31 on commercial service. Jim Foy motioned to approve the ordinance as presented with Russell Chandler seconding the motion. A poll of the Council was taken as follows: John Klostermann yes, Michael Hesse yes, Russell Chandler yes and Jim Foy yes. Motion passed full Council approval.

Item III – A) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON A REPLACEMENT ON THE PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION

Jim Foy motioned to fill the vacancy on the Planning and Zoning Commission with John Politz. John Klostermann seconded the motion. A poll of the Council was taken as follows: John Klostermann yes, Michael Hesse yes, Russell Chandler yes and Jim Foy yes. Motion passed with full Council approval.

ITEM III - B) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON GARAGE SALE RESTRICTIONS

Jim Foy stated he requested this topic to be brought before the Council to discuss amending the existing ordinance to require two garage sales per address and not per resident. Russell Chandler did not agree with changing the quantity of sales from 4 a year to 2 a year. Allowing residents to have four sales a year is fine.

Jim Foy motioned to amend Ordinance # 2009-37 Section 4.42 Restrictions on the Conduct of the Sale by removing the first sentence and remove "and/or resident" and also "and/or family" and to strike all of the second sentence. The amendment will be brought back to the Council for review. John Klostermann seconded the motion. A poll of the Council was taken as follows: John Klostermann yes, Michael Hesse yes, Russell Chandler yes and Jim Foy yes. Motion passed with full Council approval.

ITEM III - C) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON TAX INCREMENT REINVESTMENT ZONE FINANCIAL RESULTS

City Manager Ben White informed the Council of a meeting with Collin County Tax Office regarding the TIRZ finances. The meeting was successful with several actions to be taken. The first piece of documentation from Tax Year 2012 told us what would be placed into our TIRZ account. Presently no funds have been placed by the Tax Office into the TIRZ account and part of this is due to delinquent taxes. An estimated \$14,000 is expected to be in the City's account May 2014.

Mayor Helmberger explained how the TIRZ works. All properties are considered as one district. This is slowing progressing, but is encouraging. Mayor Helmberger requested to investigate when the TIRZ Board should meet again. No action was taken by the Council.

ITEM IV) REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS

Mayor Helmberger requested the Council be briefed on the recent water problem and why the City ran out of water. No one else requested items for future agendas.

ITEM V) ADJOURNMENT

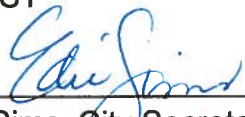
Council adjourned at 6:21pm.

APPROVED



Joseph E. Helmberger, P.E., Mayor

ATTEST



Edie Sims, City Secretary

