



**FARMERSVILLE CITY COUNCIL  
REGULAR SESSION MINUTES  
For  
September 10, 2019, 6:00 P.M.**

**I. PRELIMINARY MATTERS**

- Mayor Rice called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Council members Jim Hemby, Mike Hurst, Craig Overstreet, Dwain Mathers and Donny Mason were all present. City staff members Ben White, Sandra Green, Kim Morris, Daphne Hamlin, Rick Ranspot, Michael Sullivan, Paula Jackson and City Attorney Alan Lathrom were also present.
- Prayer was led by Tony Linton, with the Blue Ridge Church of Christ, followed by the pledges to the United States and Texas flags.
  - Calendar of upcoming holidays and meetings.
  - Mayor Rice indicated a special City Council meeting would be next Tuesday due to the adoption of the tax rate and the budget.
  - Mayor Rice stated that Oct. 5<sup>th</sup> would be Old Time Saturday.
  - Proclamation for Constitution Week.
    - Mayor Rice read the Proclamation and presented it to a few citizens in the audience.

**II. PUBLIC TESTIMONY REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS**

- No one came forward.

**III. PUBLIC COMMENT REGARDING MATTERS NOT ON THE AGENDA**

- Elise Bobitt who resides at 207 Summit addressed Council and spoke regarding opening up a business downtown. She explained that dealing with the city has been fine, but the commercial issues with downtown has been horrible. She explained the city needed to focus on the small business owners. She said there

was no clear roadmap to get someone from point a to point b with regards to opening a business, platting and the building permit requirements. She stated the overall process needs to be addressed.

- John Richard Smith who resides at 617 CR 610 addressed Council and stated that Camden Park backs up to his property. He stated the City was not mowing and maintaining the roadway grass in Camden Park. He explained that inside the subdivision there were weeds and grass that were not being mowed either. He stated he understood the HOA was supposed to be doing that, but it was not getting done. He said the other lot that had not been mowed this year was the one acre lot adjacent to Collin College's property. He stated that his property entrance on Brushy Creek, where the city was putting in the waterline, was blocked for several days because materials were laying across the driveway.

#### **IV. CONSENT AGENDA**

Items in the Consent Agenda consist of non-controversial or "housekeeping" items required by law. Council members may request prior to a motion and vote on the Consent Agenda that one or more items be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda and considered individually. Following approval of the Consent Agenda, excepting the items requested to be removed, the City Council will consider and act on each item so withdrawn individually.

- A. City Council Minutes
- B. City Council Special Meeting Minutes
- C. Police Department Report (OpenGov)
- D. Code Enforcement/Animal Control Report (OpenGov)
- E. Fire Department Report (OpenGov)
- F. Municipal Court Report (OpenGov)
- G. Warrant Officer Report (OpenGov)
- H. Public Works Report
- I. Library Report (OpenGov)
- J. City Manager's Report
  - Mike Hurst pulled the City Manager's Report.
    - Motion to approve reports A-I made by Craig Overstreet
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve was Jim Hemby
    - All council members voted in favor
  - Mike Hurst wanted an update on the Reliable waterline.
  - Ben White stated the bore was currently being done and it would cross at the Nelson Brother's property. He explained that the city public works

crew was installing the waterline. He said that Reliable Concrete wanted the waterline complete by the first of November. He indicated Reliable was currently constructing screening walls and slab areas.

- Mike Hurst asked how much material was blocking Mr. Smith's property.
- Ben White stated he was going to call and get the material moved from blocking his property.
- Mike Hurst asked about the status of Martin Marietta.
- Ben White stated he has a meeting with them next week and he is hoping they sign the development agreement.
- Mayor Rice stated that TCEQ has posted a public hearing for Monday, October 14<sup>th</sup> at RVSP Farmersville at 7:00 p.m. for the Martin Marietta site.
  - Motion to approve the City Manager's Report made by Mike Hurst
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve was Donny Mason
  - All council members voted in favor

## V. INFORMATIONAL ITEMS

These Informational Items are intended solely to keep the City Council apprised of the actions and efforts of the various boards and commissions serving the City of Farmersville. Council members who serve as a liaison to a particular board or Commission may report to the City Council regarding that body's most recent and/or upcoming meetings and activities. Council members may also deliberate and/or request further information or clarification regarding any one or more of the items contained in this provision. City Council approval of, or action on, these items is not required or requested. **Matters that require City Council action shall be considered and acted on only if an item related thereto is included in the Consent Agenda or the Regular Agenda.**

Consideration and discussion regarding the following matters, minutes and reports, which consideration and discussion may also include or pertain to individual items and projects set forth in such matters, minutes and reports, as well as related background information and plans for future completion, performance or resolution as may be necessary to understand such individual items and projects and the City's related operation:

- A. City Amenities Board
  - 1. Possible Council Liaison Report

- B. Farmersville Community Development Board (Type B)
  - 1. Financials
  - 2. Possible Council Liaison ReportMathers said they adopted the budget.
- C. Farmersville Economic Development Board (Type A)
  - 1. Financials
  - 2. Possible Council Liaison ReportHurst said budget should be finalized at the next meeting.
- D. Main Street Board
  - 1. Possible Council Liaison Report
- E. Planning & Zoning Commission
  - 1. Possible Council Liaison Report

## **VI. PUBLIC HEARING**

- A. Second Public Hearing on Tax Rate Increase to allow proponents and opponents of the tax rate increase to present their views.
  - Mayor Rice opened the public hearing at 6:24 p.m. and asked if there was anyone who wanted to speak for or against the tax rate.
  - No one came forward so he closed the public hearing at 6:25 p.m.
- B. Public hearing on the Fiscal Year 2019-2020 proposed budget to allow proponents and opponents of the proposed budget to present their views.
  - Mayor Rice opened the public hearing at 6:25 p.m.
  - John Richard Smith who resides at 617 CR 610 stated he lives in the ETJ and not in the city limits. He stated the Council was about to pass the new ordinances regarding water rates, and being the past president of Caddo Park Water system, he feels that it is unfair that the rates are higher for the people who live outside of the city limits. He stated they are hit harder with water increases and wanted Council to take that into consideration.
  - Mayor Rice asked if anyone else wanted to speak for or against the proposed budget.
  - No one came forward so he closed the public hearing at 6:29 p.m.

## **VII. NOTICE OF MEETING FOR CITY COUNCIL VOTE ON PROPOSED TAX RATE**

- A. The City Council will vote on the proposed tax rate at the City Council meeting on September 17, 2019, which meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of City Hall situated at 205 S. Main Street, Farmersville, Texas.

- Mayor Rice read the notice of meeting aloud.

### **VIII. NOTICE OF MEETING FOR CITY COUNCIL VOTE ON PROPOSED FISCAL YEAR 2019-2020 BUDGET**

- A. The City Council will vote on the proposed Fiscal Year 2019-2020 Budget at the City Council meeting on September 17, 2019, which meeting will begin at 6:00 p.m., in the City Council Chambers of City Hall situated at 205 S. Main Street, Farmersville, Texas.
- Mayor Rice read the notice of meeting aloud.
    - Motion to postpone vote until September 17<sup>th</sup> made by Jim Hemby
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve was Mike Hurst
    - All council members voted in favor

### **IX. READING OF ORDINANCES**

- A. Consider, discuss and act upon the first and only reading of Ordinance #O-2019-0910-001 amending the Master Fee Schedule to reflect a rate increase for water fees.
- Ben White stated that over the past two years the city had reduced the rates for the citizens that lived outside the city limits.
    - Motion to approve made by Mike Hurst
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve was Jim Hemby
    - All council members voted in favor
- B. Consider, discuss and act upon the first and only reading of Ordinance #O-2019-0910-002 amending the Master Fee Schedule to reflect a rate increase for wastewater fees.
- Ben White stated the rate for inside city commercial should show \$39.50 instead of \$31.07.
    - Motion to approve with correction as stated made by Craig Overstreet reluctantly
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve was Donny Mason
    - All council members voted in favor
- C. Consider, discuss and act upon the first and only reading of Ordinance #O-2019-0910-003 amending the Master Fee Schedule to reflect a rate increase for refuse/garbage and recycling fees.

- Ben White stated these were pass through increases from CWD and Sanitation Solutions.
  - Motion to approve made by Donny Mason
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve was Craig Overstreet
  - All council members voted in favor

**X. REGULAR AGENDA**

- A. Consider, discuss and act upon a contract with TLC NetCon for IT services.
  - Ben White stated the contract was the same from last year, except there were a few systems added.
    - Motion to approve made by Donny Mason
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve was Jim Hemby
    - All council members voted in favor
  
- B. Consider, discuss and act upon Resolution #R-2019-0910-001 and contract #228989 regarding the purchase of a 2019 Freightliner M2-106 Altec Digger Derrick DM47 TR electric truck.
  - Ben White stated from the last meeting he did negotiate the warranty which made the price increase to approximately \$214,000.00.
    - Motion to approve made by Jim Hemby
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve was Donny Mason
    - All council members voted in favor, except Craig Overstreet who voted in opposition.
  
- C. Consider, discuss and act upon an interlocal agreement between the City of Farmersville and Collin County for animal control services.
  - Ben White stated they have made some changes to the agreement because they were trying to reduce their risks. He explained that overall the cost was the same.
  - Alan Lathrom stated the rate was the same. He explained the amendment to the agreement was drafted by other member cities. The shelter has been completed and the other cities were trying to make sure the money being received still went to the shelter and not a slush fund.
    - Motion to approve made by Craig Overstreet
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve was Dwain Mathers
    - All council members voted in favor

- D. Consider, discuss and act upon approving the Economic Development Corporation Proposed Projects for Budget Year 2019-2020.
- Ben White stated he appreciated the support of the 4A Board.
  - Craig Overstreet asked about the road for Collin County and what the status of it was.
  - Ben White stated he was waiting on engineering for the roadway.
    - Motion to approve made by Donny Mason
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> to approve was Jim Hemby
    - All council members voted in favor

XI. **BUDGET WORKSHOP**

- Daphne Hamlin went through a Power Point. She stated that on page 3 everything balanced except the wastewater fund and that was because of the bond payment.
- Ben White stated live streaming was covered in this budget even though it did not have a specific line item.
- Daphne Hamlin stated the wastewater revenues did increase by \$144,000.00 and the water fund increased by \$15,000.00 in next year's budget.
- Craig Overstreet stated there was insufficient funds for road repairs in the budget. He stated the city has to work on that.
- Ben White stated there may be some help from TIRZ on roadways, but he does not know how much and when the help would be given.

XII. **REQUESTS TO BE PLACED ON FUTURE AGENDAS**

- None

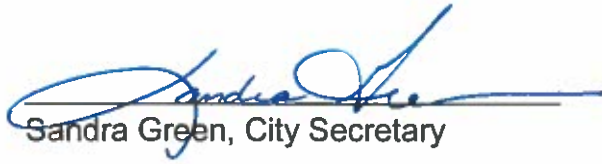
XIII. **ADJOURNMENT**

Meeting was adjourned at 6:54 p.m.

APPROVE:

  
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Jack Randall Rice, Mayor

ATTEST:

  
Sandra Green, City Secretary

