Minutes of Special Meeting held October 15, 2012

Special meeting with the following present: Mayor Mark Bowen; Aldermen Jerry Stone, Ward Sanders, Ruble Farmer, Kevin Keith, Sam Cortez; City Secretary Josie Campa; Public Works Director James McGrath; Police Chief Richard Priest; Fire Marshal Matt Dear.

Visitors: Philip Ruiz, Craig Bell, Eleni and Emma Keith, Onelda Garcia, Douglas Garcia, J.D. and Angela Oliver.

**DISCUSSION AND/OR ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE PREPARATION AND SUBMISSION OF A 2013/2014 (PY) TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT (TxCDBG) APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE (TDA) FOR FUNDING UNDER THE TEXAS COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM (TxCDBG)**

Alderman Keith made the motion that Council adopt the resolution authorizing the preparation and submission of a 2013/2014 (PY) TxCDBG grant application. Seconded by Alderman Stone. Passed unanimously.

**CONSIDER PROPOSAL FROM TRC FOR POLICE BUILDING**

Craig Bell told Council the scope of work TRC would do on the proposal for the new police building. He told Council that plans and specs should be ready for bidding in three to four (3-4) months. Alderman Stone made the motion that Council hire TRC as per their proposal. Seconded by Alderman Cortez. Passed unanimously.

**CONSIDER APPROVING CONTRACT FOR ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR INFRASTRUCTURE GRANT AMENDMENT**

After discussion, Alderman Sanders made the motion that Council approve the contract with TRC for engineering services for the Infrastructure Grant amendment. Seconded by Alderman Keith. Passed unanimously.

**CONSIDER ALLOWING LYP TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO CONCESSION STAND/RESTROOM AREA**

J.D. Oliver, President of LYP, thanked Council for allowing them to be on this agenda. Mr. Oliver told Council that the LYP would like to fix the concession stand at the park. He said at the present time there is a hole in the wall, electrical wires hanging. Mr. Oliver said he would repair this hole and get electrical wires out of the way. He said they would change all plugs to GFI and ground the building, if it isn’t already. Mr. Oliver told Council that they would like to come up with something else on the windows that are expanded metal, and paint the building to make it nicer. After discussion, Alderman Farmer made the motion that Council allow the LYP to make these improvements to the concession stand. Seconded by Alderman Cortez. Passed unanimously.
CONSIDER POLICE RADIO SYSTEM
Police Chief Richard Priest told Council that there are two (2) options for the new radio system and told of the complications and advantages to each option. After discussion, Alderman Keith made the motion that Council allow Chief to decide on which option is best and allow $35,000.00 for this radio system. Seconded by Alderman Farmer. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER LEASING WATER RIGHTS FROM CITY OF DEVINE
After discussion, Alderman Stone made the motion that the city lease thirty (30) acre feet of water from the City of Devine. Seconded by Alderman Keith. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:02 p.m.