Minutes of Workshop held February 3, 2014

Workshop held with the following present: Mayor Mark Bowen; Aldermen Jerry Stone, Ruble Farmer, Ward Sanders, Kevin Keith; City Secretary Josie Campa; Director of Public Works James McGrath; Police Chief Richard Priest. Alderman Sam Cortez was absent.

Visitors: Luz Moreno-Lozano, Bryan Mask, Eddie Bogard.

Mayor Bowen opened the workshop at 6:30 p.m.

Bryan Mask showed Council a revised plan for improvements at the John Lott Municipal Park. Mr. Mask showed Council what Phase 1 would include in order to meet the city’s budget.

Mr. Mask told Council that he talked to a company (Texas Multi Chem) that would fix the infields of all four of the ball fields for about $75,000.00, and that if this is on the February agenda the ball fields could be ready in time for the start of the baseball season. The maintenance of these ball fields was discussed.

Council agreed to put this item on the next agenda.

Mr. Mask told Council that he hopes to have plans ready soon and hopefully get this project out for bids by September. Mr. Mask said that some of the things to be done could be done separately before the entire project is done.

Council took a short break at 7:20 p.m. and reconvened at 7:35 p.m.

Eddie Bogard showed Council an aerial view of the present shop and said that due to diesel tank the location of the shop had to be where it is now and that demolition would have to be done on part of the shop before the new shop could be built. Mr. Bogard gave Council a cost estimate on a 40' X 60' building, but after discussion with Public Works Director James McGrath, feels the shop needs to be larger to accommodate the department. Council discussed having the Public Works people design this building as per their department needs just like Chief Priest had done with their new facility.

Meeting adjourned at 8:00 p.m.