Minutes of Regular Meeting held August 11, 2003

Regular meeting with the following present: Mayor Horace Fincher; Aldermen Mark Bowen, A.Jay Frausto, Gerry Elias, Erik Dahler; City Secretary Josie Campa; Police Chief Richard Priest; City Attorney Tom Cate. Alderman Trouart was absent.

Visitors: Hortencia Elizondo, Joe Cuellar, Jay Dahler, Henry Soto, Julia Supra, Shawna Lewis, Justin Lefkowski.

APPROVE MINUTES & APPROVE PAYMENT OF BILLS
City Secretary Josie Campa added the bill from the building inspector for $616.00 to the list of bills to be approved for payment. Alderman Elias made the motion that Council approve the minutes of the public hearing and regular meeting held July 14th, the workshop and special meeting held on July 21st, and payment of the bills, as presented. Seconded by Alderman Bowen. Passed unanimously.

HEAR FROM CITIZENS
Mayor Fincher told Council and members of the audience that the concert presented by the Jubilee Singers at the center was very good.

CONSIDER RECOMMENDATION FROM MOBILE HOME COMMISSION ON PLACEMENT REQUEST FROM HORTENCIA ELIZONDO
Alderman Bowen made the motion that Council approve the recommendation of the Mobile Home Commission on Hortencia Elizondo’s request. Seconded by Alderman Frausto. Passed unanimously.

FRANCINE DALROS—INTRODUCTION TO HER NEW BUSINESS IN LYTLE
Mrs. Dalros was not present.

JIM YOUNG—CONSIDER PRELIMINARY PLAT FOR COTTAGE STREET SUBDIVISION
Mayor Fincher told the Council that Mr. Young was not able to attend the meeting, but he wanted approval on the preliminary plat. Alderman Elias made the motion that Council have the city’s engineer look at Mr. Young’s plat. Seconded by Alderman Bowen. Discussion. Passed unanimously.

JOE CUELLAR SR.—CONSIDER PUTTING SPEED BUMPS ON N. PRAIRIE STREET AND LAREDO STREET
Joe Cuellar told Council that N. Prairie and Laredo Street need something done to slow traffic and asked if the council would consider putting speed bumps or humps on these streets. Mayor Fincher told Council he will be receiving a packet from the highway department concerning speed bumps. Council discussed the possibility of installing speed bumps or humps. Alderman Bowen told Council he feels the property owners in the area need to give their input on this topic. Council discussed a public hearing. Alderman Dahler asked for claim history from TML. No action was taken on this item.

CONSIDER ACQUISITION OF WATER RIGHTS TO MEET CITY’S FUTURE NEEDS
Alderman Dahler reported to Council that he had met with Steve Walthour from the Edwards Aquifer Authority and that if the city settles its protest and has its permit issued after January 1st, 2004 the city will receive its historical use for another year. Alderman Dahler said he also talked to SAWS about an interlocal program they have set up for cities where a group acquires water rights. He said it would cost the city 10% of purchase price and 1% nominal fee. City Secretary Josie Campa reported on certificates of obligation for purchasing water rights. Council agreed to place this item on a special meeting agenda.

CONSIDER REQUEST FROM ATASCOSA ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION FOR FINANCIAL SUPPORT
After discussion, Alderman Bowen made the motion that Council approve a contribution of $1,000.00 to the Atascosa County Economic Development Corporation. Seconded by Alderman Elias. Passed unanimously.
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CONSIDER SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT PROPOSAL ON LONG & ASSOCIATES’ TAX LIABILITY TO CITY
City Attorney Tom Cate recommended to Council that the city approve the settlement agreement proposal on Long and Associates’ tax liability to the city. After discussion, Alderman Elias made the motion that Council approve the settlement proposal. Seconded by Alderman Bowen. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER REQUEST FROM QUALIFIED VOTERS AND REAL PROPERTY OWNERS IN SOUTHWESTERN BEXAR COUNTY TO ALLOW THE PART OF LYTLE AND ITS ETJ LOCATED IN BEXAR COUNTY TO BE INCLUDED IN THE PROPOSED EMERGENCY SERVICE DISTRICT
After discussion, Alderman Bowen made the motion that Council let the attorney look at this request. Seconded by Alderman Frausto. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER AMENDMENTS TO LIBRARY BUDGET
City Secretary Josie Campa told Council that the Library Board was proposing the following amendments to their budget:

- Salaries: $5,000.00
- Library Books: + $2,000.00
- Technology Expense: + $3,000.00

Alderman Elias made the motion that Council approve these amendments. Seconded by Alderman Bowen. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER INTER-GOVERNMENTAL AGENCY EMERGENCY RESPONSE TEAM AGREEMENT-CHIEF PRIEST
Chief Priest explained the proposed Inter-Governmental Agency Emergency Response Team Agreement. Council had a lengthy discussion, on this item and agreed to take no action at this time.

CONSIDER CHANGING AMOUNT FOR TAPPING FEES
Mayor Fincher asked Council to reconsider lowering the tapping fees for water and sewer. After a lengthy discussion, Alderman Dahler made the motion that Council set the tapping fees for water and sewer to $750.00 each, city-wide effective September 1st. Seconded by Alderman Elias. Discussion. Passed unanimously.

POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT
Police Chief Richard Priest reviewed his written report with Council. He also reported on the following:
1. park is being locked now;
2. he is purchasing equipment for police department; and
3. all vehicles have digital radios now.

CITY SECRETARY’S REPORT
City Secretary Josie Campa reviewed her written report with Council. The City Secretary told Council she had extended the deadline for paying delinquent taxes to August 31st to try and better collections.

MAYOR’S REPORT
Mayor Fincher reported on the following items:
1. gazebo at park fixed after being vandalized;
2. Don’s Electric will be installing motion lights at gazebo and pavilion along with security light approved by Council;
3. Henry Soto doing outstanding job while Director is on vacation;
4. cattle guard at park needs to be removed;
5. Kids’ Day will be held Saturday, August 16th; and
6. will be building a trailer for Public Works to carry sewer auger, water tank and tamper.

Meeting adjourned at 8:15 p.m.

[Signatures]
Mayor
City Secretary