Minutes of Regular Meeting held August 8, 2016

Regular meeting with the following present: Mayor Pro-tem Jerry Stone; Aldermen Ruble Farmer, Sam Cortez, Kevin Keith; City Secretary Josie Campa; Animal Control Director Betty Kroeger; Public Works Director James McGrath; Police Chief Richard Priest; Library Director Cassandra Cortez; Fire Marshal Matt Dear; Code Compliance Officer Scott Traeger; City Attorney Tom Cate. Mayor Mark Bowen and Alderman Ward Sanders were absent.


CALL TO ORDER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE
Mayor Pro-tem Jerry Stone called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., and led everyone in the pledge.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES AND CONSIDER APPROVAL OF PAYMENT OF BILLS
City Secretary Josie Campa added the bill from Tom Cate for July legal fees totalling $3,543.00. Alderman Cortez made the motion that Council approve the minutes of the July 11th regular meeting and payment of the bills, as presented. Seconded by Alderman Farmer. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PROPOSAL FROM WET ROCK GROUNDWATER SERVICES AND SOUTHWEST ENGINEERS FOR NEW WATER WELL
Kaveh Khorzad of Wet Rock Ground Water Services told Council he had met with the Mayor and Mr. Stone concerning a new water well. He told Council that the first step is an initial study to locate property and desired site. Mr. Khorzad told Council there is never a guarantee but he can provide facts for location. After discussion, Alderman Keith made the motion that Council move forward with looking for a new water well site. Seconded by Alderman Cortez. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER AND ACT UPON REQUEST FOR FESTIVAL AT PARK IN 2017-MIGUEL AGUILAR
Miguel Aguilar told Council he was following up on the last presentation he had made for a festival involving the school since the property discussed before is not as good a venue as the City’s park. Mr. Aguilar told Council the committee is looking for a three day event either in March or May of 2017. Alderman Keith asked who the committee serving. Mr. Aguilar told Council there is no specific non-profit group. City Attorney Tom Cate told Mr. Aguilar and Council that they need to get more information before making a decision, and need to be a non-profit group. After discussion, Council agreed to postpone this item until more information is obtained.
CONSIDER AND ACT UPON REQUEST FOR VARIANCE TO ALLOW SIGN FOR TROPHY BUCK, INC. ON IH 35 N. ACCESS ROAD
After discussion, Alderman Farmer made the motion that Council grant the requested variance on sign height to Trophy Buck, Inc. Seconded by Alderman Cortez. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER AND ACT UPON VARIANCE ON NOISE ORDINANCE FOR OCTOBER FESTIVAL AT COAL MINE ON OCTOBER 23rd-REYNALDO TREVINO
Reynaldo Trevino asked Council for a variance of the noise-ordinance for the Catholic Church’s festival on October 23rd. Alderman Keith made the motion that Council grant this variance. Seconded by Alderman Cortez. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER AND ACT UPON REQUEST FOR PERMISSION FOR EXCLUSIVE USE OF THE SENIOR LEAGUE BASEBALL FIELD FROM AUGUST THRU DECEMBER 31st FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING BASEBALL LESSON AND LYTLE MEN’S LEAGUE BASEBALL GAMES
Anthony Reyna requested permission from Council for group of men to use the large field at the park for baseball lessons and ball games from August to December. After discussion, Alderman Keith made the motion that this item be tabled until next month when a policy for using the ball fields is approved by Council. Seconded by Alderman Cortez. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER AND ACT UPON RE-PLAT OF LOT 1 AND PART OF LOT 2 NEAL ADDITION
City Secretary Josie Campa told Council that a group is wanting to buy Lot 1 and part of Lot 2 of the Neal Addition and would like to replat this property. After discussion, Alderman Farmer made the motion that Council approve the proposed replat contingent upon the engineer’s approval. Seconded by Alderman Keith. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER AND ACT UPON REQUESTS FROM VFW POST #12041 FOR SPONSORING FREEDOM WALK AND FREEDOM FESTIVAL AND USE OF JOHN LOTT PARK FOR THESE EVENTS
Larry Sanders, Commander of Lytle VFW Post #12041 introduced members of the post and the Auxiliary President. Mr. Sanders told Council of the post’s accomplishments. Pat Clark, Chairman of this year’s Freedom Festival asked Council’s permission to use the city park for the September 10th festival. Mr. Clark also asked for the city’s partnership with the same amount as last year, ($10,000.00) and the same items as last year, such as generators, portable toilets, staff for set up, clean up and security. Alderman Keith made the motion that the city partner with VFW Post #12041 on this year’s Freedom Walk and Festival. Seconded by Alderman Cortez. Passed unanimously. Council also agreed to allow vendors to take vehicles in park through service entry.
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CONSIDER AND ACT UPON BIDS RECEIVED ON 2003 FORD CROWN VICTORIA
City Secretary Josie Campa told Council that no bids had been received on the old police car. After discussion, Alderman Keith made the motion that this vehicle be used for training for the police department and fire department and then be taken to salvage. Seconded by Alderman Cortez. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER AND ACT UPON BIDS FOR BRUSH PICKUP SERVICE FOR NEXT FISCAL YEAR
City Secretary Josie Campa told Council that two bids were received on brush pick-up service. They were as follows:

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Alderman Farmer made the motion that Council award the bid to Hector Barrera Construction. Seconded by Alderman Cortez. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER AND ACT UPON PARK HOURS FOR JOHN LOTT MUNICIPAL PARK
Police Chief Richard Priest told Council that since the park was redone, it is not able to be locked up at night, and therefore the ordinance designating the park hours needs to be repealed. Alderman Keith made the motion that the park ordinance be repealed. Seconded by Alderman Farmer. Passed unanimously. City Attorney Tom Cate will draw up this ordinance for the next regular meeting.

CONSIDER AND ACT UPON REQUEST FOR INCREASING HOURLY RATE OF PAY FOR MUNICIPAL COURT BAILIFFS
Police Chief Richard Priest told Council he cannot get anyone to work as bailiff for $25.00 per hour and asked that the hourly rate be increased to $35.00 per hour. Alderman Keith made the motion that Council increase the bailiff pay to $35.00 per hour. Seconded by Alderman Cortez. Passed unanimously.

Council took a break at 7:39 p.m. and reconvened at 7:50 p.m.

UPDATE ON PLANS AND GOALS
Council reviewed the plans and goals with a power point presentation.

ANIMAL CONTROL DIRECTOR’S REPORT
Animal Control Director Betty Kroeger gave her report with a power point presentation.

LIBRARY DIRECTOR’S REPORT
Library Director Cassandra Cortez gave a power point presentation as her report.
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**CODE COMPLIANCE OFFICER’S REPORT**
Code Compliance Officer Scott Traeger told Council the car wash has completed its drainage project.

Mr. Traeger told Council that kids play basketball at the park all hours of the night and keep people awake with their noise.

**PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR’S REPORT**
Public Works Director James McGrath gave a power point presentation for his report.

**POLICE CHIEF’S REPORT**
Police Chief Richard Priest presented his report with a power point presentation.

**CITY SECRETARY’S REPORT**
City Secretary Josie Campa gave her report with a power point presentation.

**MAYOR’S REPORT**
Mayor Pro-tem Jerry Stone adjourned the meeting at 8:28 p.m.