

Minutes of Special Meeting held March 24, 2008

Special meeting with the following present: Mayor Horace Fincher; Aldermen Jerry Stone, Rudy Hernandez, Mark Bowen, Erik Dahler; City Secretary Josie Campa; City Attorney Tom Cate; Police Chief Richard Priest.

Visitors: Matt Dear, Johnathan Bowen, Richard Hughes, Jesse Blanchard, Bobbie Lassiter, Mark Montgomery.

CONSIDER TASER POLICY FOR POLICE DEPARTMENT

Chief Priest presented a proposed taser policy for the police department. The Chief told Council he had used a couple of sample policies he received from TML and a policy he obtained from Jourdanton to draw up this policy. Council members asked Chief several questions about the proposed taser policy and Mayor Fincher suggested that Council review this policy for the April meeting.

CONSIDER HIRING OFFICE EMPLOYEE

City Secretary Josie Campa recommended to Council that Susan Rizo be hired to fill the vacancy in the office. Alderman Hernandez made the motion that Council hire Susan Rizo at \$7.00 per hour after satisfactorily completing her physical and drug screen. Seconded by Alderman Stone. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER PAYING OFF 1994 CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION

City Secretary Josie Campa recommended to Council that the 1994 certificates of obligation not be paid off early, since the city did not budget early payment and didn't have this money used in calculating the tax rate. After discussion Alderman Bowen made the motion that Council hold off on paying of the 1994 certificates of obligation. Seconded by Alderman Stone. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER LATE NIGHT PERMIT FOR BABY HUEY'S

Mayor Fincher told Council that a year ago Council had agreed to review the late hour permit for Baby Huey's. Chief Priest gave Council data compiled by the police department on activity at Baby Huey's over the past year. After a lengthy discussion, Alderman Hernandez made the motion that Council allow Baby Huey's late hour permit for six (6) months and then review it again to see if things improve. Seconded by Alderman Dahler. Discussion. Passed unanimously.

CONSIDER CITY'S APPLICATION FOR AMENDED CCN

City Attorney Tom Cate showed Council a water CCN map and explained the areas serviced by the city and by Benton City Water. Mr. Cate reminded Council that present policy is that we do not extend water outside city limits. Council then discussed a request from someone in the city's CCN that is out of the city and whether to extend water line if they agree to be annexed or relinquish that part of the CCN to Benton City Water. Mr. Cate told Council that the city needs to amend the present CCN because of Lake Shore Estates having city water now. Mr. Cate told Council that East Medina has agreed to relinquish part of its CCN to Lytle when Mr. Rendon pays them for this and that when the CCN will have to be amended too. Mr. Cate said he has contacted a law firm that does this work for \$260.00 an hour and recommended the city use them to do the CCN amendment. After more discussion, Alderman Dahler made the motion that Council allow Mrs. Sanchez ninety (90) days to petition to be annexed in order to get city water and if she doesn't then the Council will review the CCN issue. Seconded by Alderman Stone. Passed unanimously.

Alderman Dahler made the motion that Council allow the City's attorney to engage a law firm to amend the City's CCN to permit the City to supply Lake Shore Estates with city water. Seconded by Alderman Bowen. Passed unanimously.

Meeting adjourned at 7:53 p.m.


Mayor


City Secretary