

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

City of Texarkana, Arkansas 216 Walnut Street

Minutes - Monday, March 16, 2020 - 6:00 PM

Mayor Allen Brown called the meeting to order.

PRESENT: Mayor Allen Brown, Ward 1 Assistant Mayor Linda Teeters, Ward 2 Director Laney J. Harris, Ward 3 Director Steven Hollibush, Ward 4 Director Ulysses Brewer, Ward 5 Director Barbara S. Miner, and Ward 6 Director Terri Peavy.

ALSO PRESENT: City Manager Dr. Kenny Haskin, City Clerk Heather Soyars and Deputy City Clerk Jenny Narens.

ABSENT: City Attorney George Matteson.

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance given by Assistant Mayor Linda Teeters.

Mayor Brown announced the Boil Water Advisory would be in effect until tomorrow afternoon. He said a joint press conference with Texarkana, Texas would be held Wednesday or Thursday of this week to update the public on the Corona virus. He said the Arkansas Municipal League suggested suspending Board meetings for nine weeks.

CONSENT

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Director Miner, Seconded by Director Hollibush.

The motion carried unanimously, and Mayor Brown declared the Consent Agenda approved. The items approved were:

- 1. Approval of the minutes of the regular meeting March 2, 2020. (CCD)
- 2. Resolution No. 2020-11 made appointments to the Public Facility Board: Public Works Director Tyler Richards, Planning Secretary Kay Smart and Media Relations Manager Eric Ethridge. (CCD)

REGULAR

3. Consider the following action concerning an amendment to the FY2020 Budget:

Mayor Brown opened the Public Hearing to allow citizen input regarding amending the FY2020 Budget.

Assistant Public Works Department Director Tracie Lee gave a brief overview of the item.

No one else came forward and the Mayor closed the Public Hearing.

Resolution No. 2020-12 amended the FY2020 Budget (Resolution No. 2019-45) and the Public Works Budget to include the expense and grant revenue for U of A Way Road Improvements. (PWD)

Motion to adopt the resolution made by Assistant Mayor Teeters, Seconded by Director Brewer.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Teeters, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Brewer, Direct Miner and Director Peavy.

The Mayor declared the resolution adopted by a 7-0 vote.

4. Ordinance No. 3-2020 granted the request for prerequisite municipal approval of a private club application by Joe Leslie Gay, as applicant of behalf of Crossties of Texarkana, Inc. (CCD) Attorney Jake Potter

Motion to read the ordinance the first time in abbreviated form made by Assistant Mayor Teeters, Seconded by Director Hollibush.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Teeters, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, Director Peavy.

The motion carried 7-0. The ordinance was read the first time in abbreviated form.

Motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its second reading in abbreviated form made by Director Harris, Seconded by Assistant Mayor Teeters.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Teeters, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, Director Peavy.

The motion carried 7-0. The ordinance was read the second time in abbreviated form.

Motion to suspend the rules and place the ordinance on its third and final reading in abbreviated form made by Director Brewer, Seconded by Director Peavy.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Teeters, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, Director Peavy.

The motion carried 7-0. The ordinance was read the third time in abbreviated form.

Motion to adopt the ordinance made by Director Miner, Seconded by Assistant Mayor Teeters.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Teeters, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, Director Peavy.

The motion carried 7-0. The Mayor declared the ordinance adopted.

An emergency clause is requested. An emergency clause requires a separate and distinct vote of the board and is valid only if there is a two-thirds vote of approval by the board.

Motion to approve the emergency clause made by Assistant Mayor Teeters, Seconded by Director Peavy.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Teeters, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, Director Peavy.

The motion carried 7-0. The Mayor declared the emergency clause approved.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

No one came forward.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, April 6, 2020

ADJOURN

Motion to adjourn made by Director Hollibush, Seconded by Director Miner.

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Teeters, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Miner, Director Peavy.

The motion carried 7-0. The meeting adjourned at 6:30 PM.

APPROVED this the 20th day of May, 2020.

Allen L. Brown, Mayor

Heather Soyars, City Clerk