



Regular Rescheduled Meeting of the Board of Directors

City of Texarkana, Arkansas
216 Walnut Street

Minutes - Monday, August 03, 2020 - 1:00 PM

THIS WAS A VIRTUAL MEETING HOSTED BY ZOOM AND WAS STREAMED LIVE ON THE CITY'S YOUTUBE PAGE.

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Mayor Allen Brown called the meeting to order at 1:06 PM.

PRESENT: Mayor Allen Brown, Assistant Mayor Ward 1 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 Kenny Haskin, City Attorney George Matteson, City Clerk Heather Soyars and Deputy City Clerk Jenny Narens.

*Ward 5 Director Barbara S. Miner arrived in the meeting at 1:09 PM, after the Consent Agenda.

CONSENT

Director Peavy made the motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Seconded by Director Hollibush. The motion carried unanimously.

The items approved were:

1. Approval of the minutes of the regular rescheduled meeting July 20, 2020. (CCD)

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REGULAR

2. Resolution No. 2020-24 - accepting the year end 2019 audit report. (FIN) Finance Director TyRhonda Henderson and Cynthia Burns, BKD, LLP.

Finance Director TyRhonda Henderson introduced BKD, LLP, Auditor Cynthia Burns.

Ms. Burns gave a brief PowerPoint presentation regarding the year end 2019 audit report.

Directors Peavy, Teeters, and Brewer gave credit to Finance Director TyRhonda Henderson and her staff for their hard work and for receiving the Certificate of Achievement for Excellence in Financial Reporting.

Director Harris asked what an unmodified opinion meant.

Ms. Burns said it meant a clean audit. It was the best opinion the City could receive.

Assistant Mayor Teeters wanted it known about the fraudulent unemployment claims.

Finance Director TyRhonda Henderson said there was a strict protocol in place.

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, Director Miner, Director Peavy.

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

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

Mr. McGlothin would like to place a modular home on his property on Cleveland Street.

Director Harris wanted to know if anything could be done for the property owners at 811 and 815 Ash Street because of flooding damage.

Mayor Brown said the City was in a Census contest with the Texas-side and asked everyone to turn in their Census forms.

Director Harris asked if the union of the Texarkana Texas Fire Department had a salary increase, would it have any effect on Texarkana Arkansas Fire Department.

City Attorney George Matteson said the Texarkana Arkansas Fire Department salaries were set by the Board and the budgeting process.

No one else came forward.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Monday, August 17, 2020 via Zoom.

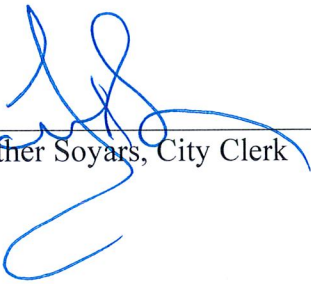
ADJOURN

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

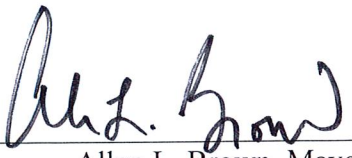
Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Teeters, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Brewer, Director Peavy.

The motion carried 6-0. The meeting adjourned at 1:42 PM

APPROVED this 17th day of August, 2020.



Heather Soyars, City Clerk



Allen L. Brown, Mayor