

Regular Meeting of the Board of Directors

City of Texarkana, Arkansas 216 Walnut Street

Minutes - Monday, February 04, 2019 - 6:00 PM

Mayor Allen L. Brown called the meeting to order, gave the Invocation and led everyone in the Pledge of Allegiance.

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

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

PRESENTATION(S)

1. City of Texarkana, Arkansas Employee Service Awards.

Mayor Brown presented an award and pin to Joshua Land for five years of service with Texarkana Water Utilities (TWU). Otis Wimley was unable to attend the meeting and would receive his award and pin for five years of service with TWU.

CONSENT

Motion to approve the Consent Agenda made by Director Miner, Seconded by Assistant Mayor Teeters.

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

- 2. Approval of the minutes of the rescheduled regular meeting January 22, 2019. (CCD)
- 3. Resolution No. 2019-8 authorizes the City Manager to purchase a 2019 ¾ Ton Crew Cab Truck for the Public Works Department Streets Division. (PWD)

REGULAR

4. Ordinance No. 2-2019 grants the request for prerequisite municipal approval of a private club application for Naaman's Championship BBQ restaurant. (Darby Neaves) (CCD)

Mayor Brown explained this item was a requirement from the State and allowed the applicant to continue the application process.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Teeters, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Odom, 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 Assistant Mayor Teeters, Seconded by Director Odom.

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

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

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

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

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

Motion to adopt the ordinance made by Director Miner, Seconded by Director Harris.

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

The motion carried 7-0 and the ordinance was adopted.

The applicant requests an emergency clause. An emergency clause requires a separate and distinct vote of the board and was valid only if there were a two-thirds vote of approval by the board. (Hdbk. Const. Amend 7)

Motion to approve the emergency clause made by Director Miner, Seconded by Director Odom.

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

The emergency clause was adopted 7-0.

5. Ordinance No. 3-2019 grants the request for prerequisite municipal approval of a private club application for The Paragon Lounge. (William Bullock, Jr.) (CCD)

Mayor Brown explained this item was a requirement from the State and allowed the applicant to continue the application process.

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

Voting Yea: Mayor Brown, Assistant Mayor Teeters, Director Harris, Director Hollibush, Director Odom, 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 Miner, Seconded by Director Odom.

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

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

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

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

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

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

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

The motion carried 7-0 and the ordinance was adopted.

CITIZEN COMMUNICATION

William Evans, 317 Charles Street, thanked City Planner Mary Beck for her help with a project in his neighborhood. He then said his neighbor was cleaning up his property and got a dumpster. Mr. Evans said he witnessed a Board member dumping trash in this dumpster. He also asked if it were the City's or the neighborhood's job to keep the ditches cleaned out.

Director Harris gave a brief statement of the importance of February as Black History Month.

NEXT MEETING DATE: Tuesday, February 19, 2019.

ADJOURN

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

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

The meeting adjourned at 6:22 PM.

APPROVAL of the minutes on this 19th day of February, 2019.

Allen L. Brown, Mayor

Heather Soyars, Oity Clerk