Minutes Special City Council Meeting

March 24, 2016

Meeting Called to Order by Mayor John Hegemier at 6:00 p.m. all council present

All stood for the Invocation and Pledge

Visitors to be heard David?, Glen Clark

Mr. Clark stated that he hopes that the Council will pick an Administrator and lets them do their job.

Review minutes from previous meetings.

March 1 minutes; Council had also asked for an Ordinance amendment, for the City Park to include anyone who has a utility bill gets a park pass. Motion by Councilmember Rebecca Gibson to approve, second Councilmember Suzanne Schauman, all in favor none opposed.

March 3rd minutes; Motion made by Councilmember Suzanne Schauman to approve, second by Councilmember Rebecca Gibson, all in favor, none opposed.

March 7th minutes; Motion to approve by Councilmember Suzanne Schauman, second by Councilmember Rebecca Gibson, all in favor, none opposed.

March 17th minutes; correction, motion made by Jim Hannah to remove the Treasurer was for lack of confidence. Motion to approve made by Councilmember Rebecca Gibson, second by Councilmember Sheila Pumphrey, all in favor, none opposed.

a. Presentation by Tom Brown with Naismith Engineering to propose a response and action plan in response to TCEQ identified deficiencies in the public water system.

Mr. Brown stated that the City has received a letter and he has looked at the letter stating there are no safety issues for the public or the water supply it is strictly meeting the minimum requirements for holding tanks and pumping. If the City does not respond in a timely manner to address these issues they will be fined. His suggestion is to let TCEQ know Council has advised the Mayor and Public Works to look into getting this matter corrected. Secondly, let them know that the City is working on securing financing for this project. Mr. Brown suggest that Council go to the Texas Water Development for the State revolving fund for drinking water, would provide low interest loans for twenty years. It will show TCEQ that you are taking steps to get this corrected so you don't get fined. They will reimburse you for any money that you put out. This letter only talks about deficiencies today. If the City only fixes what is mentioned in this letter this issue will come up again in five years.

The Solution would be to send the letter back to TCEQ stating that the City understands the severity of these problems and that they plan to take action to fix the problem. Then sit down with them and discuss the plan. The money involved is, overhead storage 650,000

dollars construction cost. The price is going to be over a million dollars. Councilmember Suzanne Schauman mentioned grants; Mr. Brown states that the City should get the loan and then run the grants parallel with the loans that TCEQ will be more willing to work with us. Motion made by Councilmember Suzanne Schauman for the Mayor and the Public Works Director to move forward, second by Councilmember Jim Hannah, all in favor, none opposed.

b. Approving the proposed response and action plan of Naismith Engineering to address TCEQ identified deficiencies in the public water system.

Motion made by Councilmember Suzanne Schauman for the Mayor and Public Works Director to move forward and work with Naismith to develop a plan of action for this problem, second by Councilmember Jim Hannah, all in favor, none opposed.

- c. An Executive Session: City Council will convene in Executive Session in accordance with §551.074 Personnel matters to discuss the following personnel matters: Deliberate the applicants to be considered for the city administrator position.
- d. Open Session: Reconvene in Open Session to take action, if necessary, on items discussed in Executive Session. 6:55 p.m. Motion made by Councilmember Jim Hannah to take no action, second by Councilmember Jim Hannah, all in favor, none opposed.
- e. Motion to Adjourn

Sherrie Hamilton
City Secretary