THE STATE OF TEXAS CITY OF NOLANVILLE

The City Council of the City of Nolanville, Texas met in a <u>Regular Meeting</u> in the Council Chambers at JW Sims Community Center at 408 North 10th Street, Nolanville, Texas at

REGULAR MEETING MINUTES THURSDAY, August 7, 2014

To consider and to act on the following Agenda:

Call to Order and Announce a Quorum is Present.

Mayor Christina Rosenthal called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and announced that a quorum was present. Council members Dennis Biggs, Marlene Fey, David Escobar, Ernesto Servan and Dave Brackmann were present.

1. INVOCATION:

Invocation was given by Chief Gary Kent.

2. PLEDGE TO THE FLAGS:

Pledges were led by Mayor Christina Rosenthal.

3. PUBLIC HEARING:

A. The City Council of the City of Nolanville will conduct a Public Hearing to receive comments from any taxpayer from the City on the Proposed Budget for Fiscal Year 2014-2014.

Mayor Rosenthal opened the Public Hearing at 6:06 pm.

There weren't any comments from the citizens.

Mayor Rosenthal closed the Public Hearing at 6:07 pm.

4. <u>VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM:</u> At this time, any person with business before the Council not scheduled on the agenda may speak to the Council. No formal action can be taken on these items at this meeting.

This is an opportunity for members of the public to suggest the addition of topics for the discussion or to address topics of interest, with presentation limited to three (3) minutes. All speakers will conduct themselves in an orderly and lawful manner. No profane or threatening language will be tolerated. All speakers will be recognized prior to speaking and will announce their name and address for the minute purpose.

Former Mayor, Emma McCullough wanted to respectfully request that this year's Trainwhistle Jamboree not be canceled.

Marie Reis asked that the City look into the storm siren.

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Aurelia Ridley gave thanks to the City Council for taking their time with the City's Budget.

Robbie Taylor requested that the City consider the financial state of the Central Bell County Fire and Rescue because they are out of money. He also said that the City may need to consider assistance from other fire departments.

5. ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Mayor Christina Rosenthal advised the citizens that the City Council is aware of the recent financial problems of the Central Bell County Fire and Rescue. She stated that this will be spoken about under an agenda item later in the meeting.

6. REPORTS:

- Public Works, Animal Control, Ordinance Enforcement Monthly Status Report of Building Permits, Inspections, Ordinance Violations and Animal Control was provided by Director of Public Works, Bob Pena.
- **Police Department** –Monthly Report Case Breakdown, Arrests, Total Calls for Service and Citations was provided by Chief Gary Kent. Chief Kent also spoke about a possible arson that is being investigated by the fire marshal.

McGruff, the crime dog is assisting the Nolanville police department with "Taking a bite out of crime". The police department is asking parents to help re-enforce the curfew by keeping their kid off the streets for their safety.

Chief Kent is also still collecting school supplies to give to the schools.

• **Central Bell County Fire & Rescue** – Monthly Service Reports and Training and Educational Activities was not provided at this meeting. *Fire Department personnel not in attendance.*

7. ITEMS TO BE REMOVED FROM THE CONSENT AGENDA:

If discussion is desired by the council, any item may be removed from the consent agenda prior to voting, at the request of any Councilmember, and it will be considered separately.

There were any items requested to be removed.

8. CONSENT AGENDA:

A. Consider approval of Minutes for Workshop Meeting on July 14, 2014.

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- **B.** Consider approval of Minutes for Regular City Council Meeting on July 17, 2014.
- C. Consider approval of Minutes for Special Call Meeting on July 24, 2014.
- **D.** Consider approval for Independent Contractor Agreement:

This Agreement between the City of Nolanville, whose address is in Bell County, and the State of Texas hereinafter referred to as the "Contractor," and Rinehart Real Estate Inspection Service, Inc. with offices at 445 East Central Texas Expressway, in the City of Harker Heights, and the State of Texas, hereinafter referred to as the "Subcontractor."

Motion was made by Councilmember Dennis Biggs to approve the Consent Agenda; motion was second by Mayor Pro-tem Dave Brackmann. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

9. BUSINESS AND ACTION ITEMS:

Motion was made by Councilmember Dennis Biggs to move Agenda Item 9G to be heard first; motion was second by Councilmember Ernesto Servan. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

G. Discussion and possible action for the City to enter into a lease agreement by First Government Lease Co. to refinance loans for vehicles of the Central Bell County Fire and Rescue.

Mayor Rosenthal stated the Central Bell County Fire and Rescue is currently having financial troubles. The Mayor better explained the CBCFR request for a loan to be provided for financial assistance to them.

Mr. Stephen Peters, City Treasurer provided his view of the request, the 16% interest rate, the Fire Department's financial history and recommendations on this request. Ultimately, Mr. Peters does not recommend entering into a loan with this company for the CBCFR. He stated that the City Council may choose to look more into the matter and other ways of being of assistance to them. He also stated there should be more complete financial accounting required of them.

Discussion commenced.

The Council Members expressed many of the same concerns with the fire department with their trouble financial history. They do not want to borrow money for another entity's debt.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dennis Biggs to not approve entering into a lease agreement by First Government Lease Co. to refinance loans for vehicles of the Central Bell County Fire and Rescue; motion was second by Councilmember Dennis Biggs. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0

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A. Discussion and possible action to take Recorded Vote on Tax Rate for FY 2013-2014.

Motion was made by Councilmember Dennis Biggs approve the Tax Rate of 0.5054 per \$100 of the assessed valuation of all taxable property within the corporate limits of the City. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Marlene Fey. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

The Recorded Vote is as follows:

Brackmann	Yes	Biggs	Yes
Fey	Yes	Servan	Yes
Escobar	Yes		

B. Discussion and possible action to set meeting date of September 18, 2014 to adopt the tax rate for FY 2013-2014.

Motion was made Councilmember Dennis Biggs to set the meeting date of September 18, 2013 to adopt the tax rate for FY 2014-2015. . Motion was seconded by Councilmember David Escobar. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

C. Consider approval for City Inspector Contractor to receive pay increase for inspection services.

Motion was made Mayor Pro-tem Dave Brackmann to approve Rex Robertson pay increase request for inspection services; Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ernesto Servan. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

D. Discussion and possible action on WCID #3 request for addition of 12" X 20" concrete driveway at the rear of the WCID building, restriping of the WCID#3 parking lot, and addition of a TxDOT curb ramp (type 7) along with 10 LF of pedestrian handrail in the center of the WCID building facing Main Street as part of the Avenue H project expense.

Bob Pena, Public Works Director explained the project addition request in more detail. He also requested the Engineers of KPA come forward to speak and answer questions.

Discussion commenced.

It was suggested that the City Council wait until closer to the end of the project to make a decision as it will also provide if monies are available to fund this request.

Motion was made Marlene Fey to table this item for a later discussion; Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ernesto Servan. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

E. Discussion and possible action on the sidewalk section between Avenue H and WCID#3 on Avenue I.

Motion was made Marlene Fey to table this item for a later discussion; Motion was seconded by Councilmember Dennis Biggs. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

F. Discussion and possible action on the Annual Trainwhistle Jamboree due to the lack of vendors and participation for this year's event.

Motion was made Mayor Pro-tem Dave Brackmann to postpone the Annual Trainwhistle Jamboree until spring; Motion was seconded by Councilmember Marlene Fey. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

H. Discussion and possible action to set a date to meet with Planning and Zoning regarding the Subdivision Ordinance and future planning projects.

Motion was made Councilmember Marlene Fey to schedule a workshop meeting with the City Council and the Planning and Zoning Committee regarding the Subdivision Ordinance; Motion was seconded by Councilmember Ernesto Servan. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

10. ADJOURNMENT:

Motion was made by Councilmember Biggs to adjourn at 7:38 p.m.; motion was seconded by Councilmember Ernesto Servan. All voted in favor. Motion carried 5-0.

Date Minutes approved by Council: August 21, 2014

Christina Rosenthal

Mayor

Attest:

Crystal Briggs

City Secretary

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