

MINUTES FOR THE 16th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2014

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT on Tuesday, September 16, 2014, the Groesbeck City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. at the Groesbeck Council Chamber with the Honorable Mayor Pro Tem Chris Henson presiding and with Mayor Ray O'Docharty, Bob Zeman, David Hernandez, Kim Harris and Matthew Dawley being present and with no one being absent. Staff members present were Jim Cox, Brenda Jackson, Jerri Almy, Michell Nance, Rhonda Bass, Tykisha Presley, Keith Tilley and Paul Fitte. A list of visitors is attached to the agenda on file.

Pastor Steve Nance of First United Methodist Church gave the invocation and everyone repeated the pledge to the flags.

Mayor O'Docharty called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Proper posting of the notice of the meeting was verified and a quorum of members was present.

6. Citizen's Comments

There were no comments from the public.

7. Consent Agenda

(Items placed on the Consent Agenda are considered routine in nature and are considered non-controversial. The Consent Agenda can be acted upon in one motion.)

- a. Approval of Minutes: Special Budget Workshop Session August 7, 2014
Special Budget Workshop Session August 13, 2014
Special Session August 19, 2014
Regular Session August 19, 2014

- b. Approval of City Holidays for FY 2014-2015

A motion was made by Kim Harris and seconded by Matt Dawley to approve the consent agenda. Motion carried unanimously.

8. Consider Approval of Street Dance for Groesbeck Ex-Student Association

A motion was made by David Hernandez and seconded by Kim Harris to approve the street dance for Groesbeck Ex-Student Association. Motion carried unanimously.

9. Consider Approval Resolution No. 14-R-13, Participation in ATMOS Coalition (City Administrator)

Mayor O'Docharty presented Resolution No. 14-R-13, Participation in ATMOS Coalition to the council for approval.

A motion was made by Bob Zeman and seconded by Chris Henson to approve Resolution No. 14-R-13. Motion carried unanimously.

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RESOLUTION NO. 14-R-13

A RESOLUTION BY THE CITY OF GROESBECK, TEXAS AUTHORIZING THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN A COALITION OF SIMILARLY SITUATED CITIES IN PROCEEDINGS BEFORE THE RAILROAD COMMISSION OF TEXAS AND THE TEXAS LEGISLATURE RELATED TO THE CITY'S AUTHORITY TO EFFECTIVELY REVIEW AND REGULATE UTILITY RATES; FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION WAS PASSED WAS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE REQUIREMENTS OF THE TEXAS OPEN MEETINGS ACT; MAKING OTHER FINDINGS AND PROVISIONS RELATED TO THE SUBJECT; AND DECLARING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

PASSED AND APPROVED this 16th day of September Groesbeck, 2014.

s/Ray O'Docharty

Mayor

ATTEST:

s/Brenda Jackson

City Secretary

10. Consider Approval of Ordinance No. 14-O-05, Adoption of FY 2014-2015 City Budget (*City Administrator*)

Mayor O'Docharty presented Ordinance No. 14-O-05, Adoption of FY 2014-2015 City Budget for approval.

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by Kim Harris to approve Ordinance No. 14-O-05. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 14-O-05

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, TEXAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2014 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2015

WHEREAS, Public Notice of a public hearing upon this budget has been duly and legally made as required by law; and

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WHEREAS, FURTHER, after a full and final consideration, the public hearing has been held upon said budget and it is the consensus of opinion that the budget as filed should be approved. The financial condition and comparative expenditures as filed were duly considered.

NOW THEREFORE BE IT ORDAINED that the City Council of the City of Groesbeck, Texas, ratify, report, adopt and approve the budget for Fiscal Year October 1, 2014 through September 30, 2015.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 16th day of September, 2014.

APPROVED:

CITY OF GROESBECK

By: s/Ray O'Docharty
Ray O'Docharty
Mayor

ATTEST:

s/Brenda Jackson
Brenda Jackson
City Secretary

11. Consider Approval of Ordinance No. 14-O-06, Adoption of City Tax Rate for 2014 (City Administrator)

Mayor O'Docharty presented Ordinance No. 14-O-06, Adoption of City Tax Rate for 2014 to the council for approval.

I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.7569/\$100 which in effectively a \$0.00 percent increase in the tax rates which was made by Council Member David Hernandez and seconded by Council Member Chris Henson to approve this ordinance. Voting for were: David Hernandez, Chris Henson, Bob Zeman, Kim Harris and Matt Dawley. Voting against were: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion carried unanimously.

ORDINANCE NO. 14-O-06

**AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, TEXAS
LEVYING AD VALOREM TAXES FOR THE USE AND
SUPPORT OF THE MUNICIPAL GOVERNMENT OF THE
CITY OF GROESBECK, TEXAS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR
BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2014 AND TERMINATING**

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SEPTEMBER 30, 2015; PROVIDING FOR APPORTIONING EACH LEVY FOR SPECIFIC PURPOSES, AND PROVIDING WHEN TAXES SHALL BECOME DUE AND WHEN SAME SHALL BECOME DELINQUENT IF NOT PAID.

I move that the property tax rate be increased by the adoption of a tax rate of \$0.7569/\$100 which is effectively a \$0.00 percent increase in the tax rates which was made by Council Member David Hernandez and seconded by Council Member Chris Henson to approve this ordinance. Voting for were: David Hernandez, Chris Henson, Bob Zeman, Kim Harris and Matt Dawley. Voting against were: None. Abstaining: None. Absent: None. Motion carried unanimously.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 16th day of September, 2014.

APPROVED:

CITY OF GROESBECK

By: s/Ray O'Docharty
Ray O'Docharty
Mayor

ATTEST:

s/Brenda Jackson
Brenda Jackson
City Secretary

12. Consider Approval of FY 2014-2015 Annual Budget for Economic Development (City Administrator)

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by David Hernandez to approve the 2014-2015 FY Annual Budget for the Economic Development. Motion carried unanimously.

13. Consider Approval for Groesbeck Volunteer Fire Department to Use City Park for Fundraiser and 5K Run (Fire Chief)

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by Matt Dawley to approve for the Groesbeck Volunteer Fire Department to Use City Park for Fundraiser and 5K Run. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Consider Approval of Appointments to the Groesbeck Housing Authority Board (Jana Raymond)

A motion was made by Kim Harris and seconded by David Hernandez to approve the appointment of Deloris Tatum and Nancy Nelson to the Groesbeck Housing Authority Board to serve through August 31, 2016. Motion carried unanimously.

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15. Consider and Vote for Candidate to Serve on the TML Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool Board (City Administrator)

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by Kim Harris to vote for Jim Cox for Region 9 Representative as well as Robert Herrera – Place 1, John Fullen – Place 2, George Shackelford – Place 3 and Peter Vargas – Place 4. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Consider Approval of Limestone County Appraisal District Budget for 2014

A motion was made by David Hernandez and seconded by Chris Henson to approve the Limestone County Appraisal District Budget for 2014. Motion carried unanimously.

17. Consider Approval Funding for Municipal Court/Police Department Building Signage

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by David Hernandez to approve up to \$3500.00 for funding the signage for the Municipal Court/Police Department building. Motion carried unanimously.

18. Council and City Administrator Comments Relating to Items of Public Interest: Announcements Regarding Local or Regional Civic and Charitable Evens, Staff Recognition, Commendation of Citizens, Traffic Issues, Upcoming Meetings, Informational Update on City Projects, Awards, Acknowledgement of Meeting Attendees, Birthdays, Request of the City Administrator for Items To be Placed on Upcoming Agendas and Condolences

19. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by David Hernandez and seconded by Matt Dawley. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned after a closing prayer by Pastor Steve Nance at 6:50 p.m.

**APPROVED:
CITY OF GROESBECK**

BY: _____
Ray O'Docharty
Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Jackson
City Secretary