

MINUTES FOR THE 17th DAY OF SEPTEMBER 2013

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT on Tuesday, September 17, 2013, the Groesbeck City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. at the Groesbeck Administration Building with the Honorable Mayor Jackie Levingston presiding and with Ronnie Fritz, Chris Henson, Bob Zeman, Richard Outlaw and Kim Harris being present and with no one being absent. Staff members present were Jim Cox, Brenda Jackson, Jerri Almy, Patsy Morton, Rhonda Bass, Pat Samuels, Vikki Grimes, Keith Tilley and Paul Fitte. A list of visitors is attached to the agenda on file.

Pastor John Carabin gave the invocation and Mayor Jackie Levingston led the pledge to the flags.

Mayor Jackie Levingston 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 citizens.

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 13, 2013
 - Special Budget Workshop Session August 20, 2013
 - Regular Session August 20, 2013
 - Special Proposed Budget Public Hearing August 27, 2013
- b. Approval of City Holidays for FY 2013-2014
- c. Approval Revenue Fund/Water and Sewer Budget Amendment

Councilman Richard Outlaw expressed concerns about (c.) amending the current Revenue Fund budget.

Public Works Superintendent, Keith Tilley explained that some of the budgeted chemicals and lines were not needed because of less line repairs and other water issues.

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

8. Consider Approval of Proclamation for Richard Williams (City Administrator)

A motion was made by Kim Harris and seconded by Chris Henson to approve the proclamation for Richard Williams. Motion carried unanimously.

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9. PUBLIC HEARING on FY 2013 Proposed Tax Rate (City Administrator)

Opened: 6:27 p.m. Closed: 6:29 p.m.

10. Consider Approval of Ratification of Proposed Tax Rate (City Administrator)

A motion was made by Richard Outlaw and seconded by Ronnie Fritz to approve the ratification of the proposed tax rate. Motion carried unanimously.

11. PUBLIC HEARING on FY 2013-2014 Proposed Budget (City Administrator)

Opened: 6:30 p.m. Closed: 6:31 p.m.

12. Consider Approval of Ordinance No. 13-O-08, Adoption of FY 2013-2014 City Budget (City Administrator)

Mayor Levingston presented Ordinance No. 13-O-08, Adoption of FY 2013-2014 City Budget to the council for approval.

A motion was made by Kim Harris and seconded by Chris Henson to approve Ordinance No. 13-O-08. Voting for: Kim Harris, Chris Henson, Ronnie Fritz, Bob Zeman. Oppose: Richard Outlaw. Motion carried.

ORDINANCE NO. 13-O-08

AN ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, TEXAS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2013 TO SEPTEMBER 30, 2014

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

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, 2013 through September 30, 2014.

PASSED AND APPROVED this 17th day of September, 2013.

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APPROVED:

CITY OF GROESBECK

BY: s/Jackie Levingston
Jackie Levingston
Mayor

ATTEST:

s/Brenda Jackson
Brenda Jackson
City Secretary

13. Consider Approval of 2013 Annual Audit

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by Ronnie Fritz to approve the 2013 annual audit. Motion carried unanimously.

14. Consider Approval to Accept Bid for Tax Foreclosure Property (*Alan Bristol*)

A motion was made by Bob Zeman and seconded by Kim Harris to accept the \$6,200.00 bid from Robert Johnson for tax foreclosure property. Motion carried unanimously.

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

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by Richard Outlaw to appoint Deloris Tatum and Johnny Mack Wilson to the Groesbeck Housing Authority Board. Motion carried unanimously.

16. Consider Approval of Appointment to the Fort Parker Board (*Sarah McReynolds*)

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by Bob Zeman to appoint William Reagan, upon his acceptance to the Fort Parker Board. Motion carried unanimously.

17. Consider Approval of Fort Parker Report and Increase in Support (*Sarah McReynolds*)

Sarah McReynolds asked the council to increase the city's contribution by \$2,000.00 per year for the operation of the Fort beginning October 1, 2013.

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A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by Bob Zeman to approve an increase of \$2,000.00 in support of the Fort. Motion carried unanimously.

18. Consider Approval of Resolution No. 13-R-16, Nominating Candidates to Serve as Directors of the Limestone County Central Appraisal District Board of Directors

Mayor Levingston presented Resolution No. 13-R-16, Nominating Candidates to Serve as Directors of the Limestone County Central Appraisal District Board of Directors to the council for approval.

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by Ronnie Fritz to approve Resolution No. 13-R-16, nominating George Humble as candidate. Motion carried unanimously.

RESOLUTION NO. 13-R-16

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, TEXAS NOMINATING CANDIDATES TO SERVE AS DIRECTORS OF THE LIMESTONE COUNTY CENTRAL APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS

WHEREAS, according to the terms of S.B. 621 passed and approved by the 66th Legislature, Regular Session, 1979, and as revised by subsequent Legislation, a Board of Directors will be elected by the taxing jurisdictions of the Central Appraisal District of Limestone County; and

WHEREAS, it is necessary that a list of nominees be submitted to the Chief Appraiser on or before October 15, 2013;

NOW THEREFORE BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GROESBECK, TEXAS, that the City Council of the City of Groesbeck, Texas places the following names in nomination as candidates for membership on the Board of Directors of the Limestone County Central Appraisal District Board:

George Humble

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City Council of the City of Groesbeck, Texas, the 17th day of September, 2013, at Groesbeck, Texas.

CITY OF GROESBECK

By: s/Jackie Levingston
Jackie Levingston
Mayor

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ATTEST:

By: s/Brenda Jackson
Brenda Jackson
City Secretary

19. Consider Approval of Limestone County Appraisal District Budget for 2013

A motion was made by Kim Harris and seconded by Chris Henson to approve the Limestone County Appraisal District Budget for 2013. Motion carried unanimously.

20. Discussion Concerning Groesbeck Volunteer Fire Department Use of City Park

Chris Henson and Kim Harris along with other council members agreed to allow the Fire Department to use the City Park for several fund raising events as part of the Fall Family Frolic on October 26, 2013

21. Discussion Concerning Humane Options of Community Cat Issues

Orma Williams along with two representatives from the animal control program in the Waco, Texas area shared information on how the TNR adoption program works and how effective it is after it is set in a city. This program would have to be indorsed by ordinance . Chris Henson and Kim Harris agreed to adopt the pilot program and the remaining council members gave their blessings.

22. Reports, Comments and Requests from Mayor and Council Members

23. City Administrator's Report

City Administrator, Jim Cox introduced Vikki Grimes as his newly employed executive assistant.

24. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Kim Harris and seconded by Ronnie Fritz. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:55 p.m.

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CITY OF GROESBECK

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