# MINUTES FOR THE 18th DAY OF NOVEMBER 2014

**BE IT REMEMBERED THAT** on Tuesday, November 18, 2014, the Groesbeck City Council met in Regular Session at 6:00 p.m. at the Groesbeck Council Chambers with the Honorable Mayor Ray O'Docharty presiding and with Chris Henson, 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, Rhonda Bass, Tykisha Presley, Pat Samuels, Keith Tilley and Paul Fitte. A list of visitors is attached to the agenda on file.

Pastor Nathaniel Bedford of Lone Star Baptist Church gave the invocation and everyone repeated the pledge to the flags in unity.

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 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: Regular Session October 21, 2014

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

## 8. Discussion/Approve GrantWorks, Inc. to Prepare and Submit Application for the 2015/2016 Texas Community Development Block Grant Program for the City of Groesbeck Water Improvements (*Mirenda Harris*)

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by David Hernandez to approve GrantWorks, Inc. to prepare and submit an application for the 2015/2016 TX CDBG Program for water improvements. Motion carried unanimously.

# 9. Consider Approval of Resolution No. 14-R-14, Authorizing Submission of Application for 21015/2016 Texas Community Development Program (*Mirenda Harris*)

Mayor O'Docharty presented Resolution No. 14-R-14, Authorizing Submission of Application for 21015/2016 Texas Community Development to the council for approval.

A motion was made by David Hernandez and seconded by Matt Dawley to approve Resolution No. 14-R-14. Motion carried unanimously.

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# **RESOLUTION NO. 14-R-14**

A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY GROESBECK, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE SUBMISSION OF A COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT APPLICATION TO THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF AGRICULTURE FOR THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT FUND; AND AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO ACT AS THE EXECUTIVE OFFICER AND THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ACT AS THE AUTHORIZED REPRESENTATIVE IN ALL MATTERS PERTAINING TO THE CITY'S PARTICIPATION IN THE COMMUNITY DEVELOPMENT BLOCK GRANT PROGRAM.

# PASSED AND APPROVED ON THIS THE 18<sup>th</sup> DAY OF NOVEMBER, 2014.

### ATTEST:

s/Ray O'Docharty	s/Brenda Jackson
Ray O'Docharty	Brenda Jackson
Mayor	City Secretary

# 10. Consider Approval to Adopt Citizen Participation Plan for TX CDBG Program (*Mirenda Harris*)

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by David Hernandez to adopt the citizen participation plan for TX CDBG program. Motion carried unanimously.

### 11. Consider Approval of 2014 Tax Roll (*City Administrator*)

A motion was made by Matt Dawley and seconded by Chris Henson to approve the 2014 Tax Roll. Motion carried unanimously.

# **12.** Consider Approval of Appointment of Old Fort Parker Board Member *(City Administrator)*

A motion was made by Kim Harris and seconded by David Hernandez to appoint Ron Franks as Old Fort Parker Board Member. Motion carried unanimously.

# **13.** Consider Approval of Waiver for Fishes and Loaves Food Pantry to Solicit Contributions under Ordinance No. 09-O-02 (*Randy Truett*)

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by David Hernandez to grant a waiver to Fishes and Loaves Food Pantry to solicit contribution under Ordinance No. 09-O-02. Motion carried unanimously.

# 14. Consider Approval to Renew Exemption of Pilot Taxes for Points for TDHCA Grant

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Information was shared by Jana Raymond, Groesbeck Housing Authority Director, explaining how the point system works and the effect it has on the awarding of the grant.

There was no action taken.

## 15. Discussion/Action Concerning Problem with Gas Inspection (*Bridgett Tatum*)

City Administrator, Jim Cox stated that the city cannot grant any financial refund or utility bill credit as a resolution to this problem. This was advise from the city attorney.

There was no action taken.

### 16. Discussion/Action Concerning Mailing and Due Date of Water Bills (Brian Davis)

There was no action taken.

### 17. Consider Approval to Sell Trustee Lots at 304 West Cypress (*City Administrator*)

A motion was made by David Hernandez and seconded by Kim Harris to accept Joe Phillips bid of \$750.00 for the trustee lots at 304 West Cypress. Motion carried unanimously.

#### 18. Consider Approval to Sell Trustee Lot at 520 South Rusk (*City Administrator*)

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by Matt Dawley to accept Dina Barco's bid of \$2001.50 for the trustee lot at 520 South Rusk. Motion carried unanimously.

# **19.** Consider Approval to Sell Trustee Property at 203 West Jacinto (*City Administrator*)

A motion was made by Chris Henson and seconded by David Hernandez to accept Sharles Phillips bid of \$5200.00 for the trustee lot at 203 West Jacinto. Motion carried unanimously.

# 20. Discussion/Possible Action Regarding Groesbeck VFD Construction Expenses (*Fire Chief*)

A motion was made by Kim Harris and seconded by Matthew Dawley to refinance an estimated \$5200.00 balance at Farmers State Bank in order to provide additional needed funds for the new Fire Department building.

### 21. Discussion Regarding Street Paving Projects (*Public Works Director*)

Public Works Director, Keith Tilley updated the council on the Tyus Street project and other locations in the city that were being worked on.

# 22. Discussion/Action for Budget Amendments to Close Year-End 2013-2014 (*City Administrator*)

A motion was made by Bob Zeman and seconded by Chris Henson to approve budget amendments to close year end 2013-2014. Motion carried unanimously.

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23. 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

Police Chief Jerri Almy announced that she will be retiring in January, 2015.

### 24. Adjournment

Motion to adjourn was made by Chris Henson and seconded by Matt Dawley to adjourn the meeting. There being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:53 p.m.

#### APPROVED: CITY OF GROESBECK

BY:

Ray O'Docharty Mayor

ATTEST:

Brenda Jackson City Secretary