

STATE OF TEXAS *
COUNTY OF HENDERSON *
CITY OF GUN BARREL CITY *

The City Council of the City of Gun Barrel City and the Gun Barrel City Economic Development Corporation met in a special joint workshop in City Hall, located at 1716 West Main Street, Gun Barrel City, Texas, on Monday, October 12, 2015 at 5:00 p.m.

Mayor Baade called the meeting to order at 5:00 p.m. Roll was called and a quorum established. Members of the Council present were: Linda Rankin, Anne Mullins, Dennis Baade, Ron Wyrick and Rob Rea. Members of the EDC present were: Keith Butler, Gary Damiano and Holland Whitten. Also in attendance were Police Chief Damon Boswell, Interim City Manager/City Secretary Christy Eckerman, Street Superintendent Mike Horton, City Planner Mike Howell and Oncor Representative Tom Trimble.

Mayor Baade gave the invocation and the Pledge of Allegiance followed.

ITEM # 1: Presentation by Tom Trimble, Oncor, regarding street lights in the City.

Tom Trimble said Jeremy Miller had been working with the City’s Street Superintendent Mike Horton. Miller would design the project and put something in writing as to the cost and placement of the lights. They had come up with 35 light placements along Hwys. 334 and 198. The electrical usage cost for 35 lights would be approximately \$5,400 a year. As long as the lights were mounted on existing poles, there would be no cost to the City. If new poles were required for any of the lighting, the City would be responsible for putting in the conduit. The first phase would consist of lights on 334 and 198. Under the second phase, they would look at putting lights on some of the feeder roads, i.e. Legendary Lane, Harbor Point Road, Welch Lane, Mabelle Lane and Municipal Drive. There were some areas of W. Main Street where the poles were set too far back so mounting a light on those poles were not feasible. Lights would light up a radius of 30 feet. Some of the 35 lights would have to have 10’ arms angled up in order to get the light where it needed to be.

Lighting for Heritage Parkway in Heritage Cove would be the responsibility of the EDC. The EDC would put in the conduit, dig the trench and Oncor would pull the wire through the conduit. All lights would be purchased through Oncor.

Item #3 was moved to this point on the agenda.

ITEM # 3: Hometown Cinema Agreement.

The EDC paid \$100,000 to Hometown Cinema for receipts from repairs of the roof. Those receipts were seen by Jim Cavanaugh and Linda Rankin. Rea commented that Randy Hester was a year behind. Mayor Baade said he verified everything but found that Hester didn’t have a permanent certificate of occupancy (CO). A temporary CO (TCO) was issued and Hester was given a list of items to be completed within five months before a permanent CO could be issued. That TCO expired September 30, 2014.

After a lengthy discussion about provisions in the 380 agreement, it was suggested that Rankin contact Hester regarding the remaining delinquent financial reports with all reports received by the end of October. The Building Inspector, John Mosely, and the Fire Chief, Joseph Lindaman, would contact Hester or his contractor about completing the requirements listed on the TCO so a permanent CO could be issued. No sales tax rebates would be issued retroactively for previous periods. Once a permanent CO was issued, a new rebate period could commence.

The agenda reverted to Item #2.

ITEM # 2: City business.

- a. Charter minutes - FYI
- b. P&Z minutes - FYI
- c. Council start time
- d. Working for other cities
- e. Work schedules – extended hours
- f. Closing City Hall for lunch
- g. GBC lots – Council position on lots people want to give the City

After discussion on the items listed above, the following recommendations were made:

A & B -- Charter minutes and P&Z minutes would no longer be put on the Consent Agenda. Those commissions approved their own minutes. Since actions taken by the P&Z and Charter commissions were normally forwarded to Council for further action, their minutes didn't need Council approval. Copies of those minutes would be put in the Council member's mail boxes for informational purposes.

C -- It was recommended that the start time of the Council meetings remain at 6:30 p.m. because future Council members may work in the Metroplex area and would have a hard time making an earlier meeting.

D – If an employee wanted to work for another city, there must be a letter in their personnel file signed by the City Manager giving approval. The outside work must not interfere with their GBC duties and/or work hours. GBC should be their priority. There should be no liability to GBC.

E – Work schedule hours for City employees is 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. Monday thru Friday with the exception of the Fire Department and Police Department. The Street Department worked 7 a.m. to 4 p.m. Monday thru Friday.

F – City Hall would close for lunch from 12 noon till 1 p.m. on a 30-day trial basis. If City Hall was not unlocked and ready to conduct business at 1 p.m., the privilege of closing for lunch would be revoked. Everyone was expected to abide by the schedule.

Note: If, for example, someone was in City Hall still conducting business at noon and didn't leave until 12:15, it would be acceptable for that specific employee helping that person to finish and leave for lunch and return at 1:15 p.m.

G – If people wanted to give the City unwanted lots for whatever reason, the City would consider those lots on a case-by-case basis. Delinquent taxes, heirs to the property, usefulness to the City and maintenance were all factors to be considered.

The meeting adjourned at 7:11 p.m.

Attest:



Christy Eckerman, City Secretary

Approved:



Dennis Baade, Mayor