

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

The City Council of the City of Gun Barrel City met in a regular meeting in City Hall, located at 1716 West Main Street, Gun Barrel City, Texas, on Tuesday, July 28, 2015 at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Braswell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. and gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed. Roll was called and a quorum established.

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Present](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Present](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Present](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Present](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Present](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: Present](#)

Citizen Presentations:

Councilwoman Rankin wanted citizens to know that the Council had had a marvelous last two weeks working on strategic planning and on the upcoming budget. They had been working together very congenially and a lot had been accomplished.

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Keith Crozier said with all the recent rains for the first time in seventeen years the intersection of Meadowlake and Holiday Drive didn't flood because of the good work that the Street Department does. He said the Street Department was asking for a new slope mower and he asked that the Council purchase this piece of equipment for the sake of the residents. He praised the hard work the street department, the police department and the code department had done. He urged the citizens to stand behind the Council, Mayor and the City Manager.

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Carroll Strickland talked about the trash service. As a citizen, it bothered her that someone that she didn't vote for could approve a contract that tells her what she was going to have to pay for trash service. Republic Services needed better customer service.

ITEM # 1: Consent Agenda: All matters listed under 'Consent Agenda' are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will not be separate discussion of these items. If discussion is desired, that item will be removed from the consent agenda and will be considered separately. Consider approving the **minutes** of the **June 23, 2015 Council meetings** and the following **June reports:**

Financial – Budget vs. Actual Expenses–Year to Date
Municipal Court – traffic and non-traffic court activity
Police Department – number of cases filed and cleared
Dispatch Report – calls for service

Animal Control – number of complaints, impoundments and citations
Fire Department/Fire Marshal – number of incidents, investigations & mutual aid
Street & Park Department – cost break down of monthly street repairs & park expenses
Building Official – number of inspections and associated fees
Code Enforcement – break down of violations
EDC June 9, 2015 minutes and June financial reports
P&Z June 15, 2015 minutes

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Motion to approve the Consent Agenda.](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: 2nd](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

ITEM # 2: Discuss and/or take action to accept the retirement resignation of Michael Grant as Gun Barrel City Fire Marshall. **(City Manager / Fire Chief)**

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Motion to accept the retirement resignation of Michael Grant as Gun Barrel City Fire Marshall.](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: 2nd](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

Although he wasn't present, Rea expressed his gratitude to Mr. Grant for his service to the City.

ITEM # 3: Discuss and/or take action to appoint Fire Chief Lindaman as Gun Barrel City Fire Marshall. **(City Manager)**

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[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Motion to postpone to discuss and/or take action to appoint Fire Chief Lindaman as Gun Barrel City Fire Marshall until the August 6 meeting.](#)

The motion died for lack of a second. Rankin rescinded her motion.

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Motion to appoint Fire Chief Lindaman as Gun Barrel City Fire Marshall.](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: 2nd](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

ITEM # 4: Discuss and/or take action to remove Keith Butler from the Planning and Zoning Commission for missing three consecutive meetings per Section 8.01 of the City Charter. **(City Manager)**

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[Council Member - Rob Rea: Motion to not remove Keith Butler from the Planning and Zoning Commission.](#)

The motion died for lack of a second.

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Motion to remove Keith Butler from the Planning and Zoning Commission.](#)

The motion died for lack of a second.

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Butler apologized that he was on the agenda. When he received the letter, he went through a wide range of emotions. He spent a lot of time dissecting the City Charter and Texas law. The reasons for missing three meetings were because he was at a parents' weekend at Texas A&M, he had to work late at his job at Southwest Airlines and he attended his son's graduation from officer's training school with the United States Air Force.

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Motion to **not remove** Keith Butler from the Planning and Zoning Commission.](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: 2nd](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

ITEM # 5: Discuss and/or take action to accept the resignation of Patsy Black from the Gun Barrel City Economic Development Board. **(Mayor)**

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Motion to accept the resignation of Patsy Black from the Gun Barrel City Economic Development Board.](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: 2nd](#)
[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)
[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

ITEM # 6: Discuss and/or take action to appoint a City Charter Review Commission. **(Mayor)**
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Each Council member named two people to serve on the Charter Review Commission. Those people were:

Rankin named Stacy Bostic & Kathy Nailling. Calkins named Carroll Strickland & Steven Schiff. Baade named DeeAnn Jordan & Jim Osborne. Wyrick named Patsy Black & Fred Aldridge. Rea named David Skains & Cheyenne Lyons.

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Motion to name Carroll Strickland as the Chairman of the Charter Review Commission.](#)
[Council Member - Linda Rankin: 2nd](#)
[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)
[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Motion to appoint the above named people to the Charter Review Commission.](#)
[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: 2nd](#)
[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)
[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

ITEM # 7: Discuss and/or take action to approve a Façade Grant Program performance agreement for Johnny Trout for reimbursement of \$5,000 to replace business signs at 716-720 W. Main Street. **(Mayor / EDC)**
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Sean Overeynder, EDC Executive Director spoke regarding this item.

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Motion to approve a Façade Grant Program performance agreement for Johnny Trout for reimbursement of \\$5,000 to replace business signs at 716-720 W. Main Street.](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: 2nd](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

ITEM # 8: Discuss and/or take action to adopt Ordinance #O-2015-007 approving the contract extension between the City and Republic Services a/k/a Allied Waste or Olympic Waste Services for an additional five year term through September 12, 2019. **(City Manager)**

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[Council Member - Rob Rea: Motion to approve the contract extension between the City and Republic Services for an additional five year term through September 12, 2019.](#)

Calkins called for a point of order. Mayor Braswell read Ordinance #O-2015-007 into the record.

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Motion to adopt Ordinance #O-2015-007.](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: 2nd](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

ITEM # 9: Discuss and/or take action to issue a directive to and authorize the City Manager to negotiate changes to the contract with Republic Services regarding 1) Larger recycling containers, 2) Community bulk drop off and 3) to investigate the feasibility of a road use fee.

(Calkins)

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[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Motion to issue a directive to and authorize the City Manager to negotiate changes to the contract with Republic Services regarding 1\) Larger recycling containers, 2\) Community bulk drop off and 3\) to investigate the feasibility of a road use fee.](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: 2nd](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

Rea said Calkins had been very involved in the negotiations and wanted her assurance that she would continue to be involved. She replied most definitely.

ITEM #10: Discuss and/or take action to approve the Collections Contract between the City and Henderson County Tax Office for the purpose of collecting property taxes for the period of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016. **(City Manager)**

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[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Motion to approve the Collections Contract between the City and Henderson County Tax Office for the purpose of collecting property taxes for the period of October 1, 2015 through September 30, 2016.](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: 2nd](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

ITEM #11: Discuss and/or take action to authorize registrations for the TML convention. **(City Manager)**

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There was only \$466 left in the budget for council training. Registration was \$295 per person for the convention. With the hotel and meal allowances, it would cost \$1200 per elected official to attend the TML Conference in San Antonio. If Council wanted to go, there would have to be some budget adjustments.

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Motion to take action to authorize registrations for the TML Convention.](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: 2nd](#)

Rea didn't have a problem paying his own registration and travel fees. Wyrick said he was on a fixed income. These meetings were very informational and they would make a lot of business contacts. He believed the City should pay to send the Council for training. Rea asked if they could do this on an individual basis because he didn't want to put a financial burden on anybody.

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Motion to substitute his original motion to authorize expenditures needed for all of the Council to attend the TML Convention with negotiations with the City Manager as far as](#)

[how that's going to be taken care of within the budget that we have right now.](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: 2nd](#)

Calkins asked if they went over the \$466 in the budget, where were they going to get the money from. Boren said they wouldn't go over. Registration was \$295 each but what he was hearing was that the other Council members would pay their way and the \$466 would pay for Wyrick's registration. Mickie Raney, City Treasurer, said if this was going to be educational for the Council, the City should pay for the training and they could take it out of the reserve fund (fund balance account).

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Motion to substitute his motion again to approve the members of the City Council that wish to attend the TML Convention to be paid for out of the reserve fund not to exceed \\$7,000.](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: 2nd](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

ITEM #12: Discuss and/or take action to reschedule the September Council meeting due to conflict with the TML convention. **(City Manager)**

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[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Motion to reschedule the September Council meeting due to a conflict with the TML convention to Tuesday, September 29.](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: 2nd](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A](#)

ITEM # 13: Discuss and/or take action to hold an orientation program to be determined but within the first quarter of fiscal year 2015/16 for newly elected council members, board members, commission members, committee members to be facilitated by the City Manager and Council member Carol Calkins. **(Calkins)**

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[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Motion to direct the City Manager to work with Carol Calkins to complete the orientation manual and to hold an orientation program facilitated by Carol Calkins and the City Manager during the first quarter of our next fiscal year for council members and all appointed board members, commission members and committee members.](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: 2nd](#)

[Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Jim Braswell: N/A](#)

ITEM #14: First reading of Resolution #R-2015-010, EDC Project 2015-006, Project Cedar Creek Pizza Inc., d/b/a Dominos. **(Mayor)**

Item #14 was removed from the agenda.

ITEM #15: First reading of Resolution #R-2015-011, EDC Project 2015-008, 1st Call Restoration. **(Mayor)**

Mayor Braswell gave the first reading of Resolution #R-2015-011.

ITEM #16: First reading of Resolution #R-2015-014, EDC Project 2015-003, Transcend Inc., d/b/a SPA Skateparks. **(Mayor)**

Mayor Braswell gave the first reading of Resolution #R-2015-014.

ITEM #17: Convene into Executive Session pursuant to Texas Government Code:

1. 551.072 – Deliberations about Real Property – to discuss fire department substation options between GBCEDC and the City **(Wyrick) and**
2. 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney – to discuss government documents. **(Rankin)**

Mayor Braswell recessed the meeting to go into Executive Session at 7:50 p.m.

ITEM #18: Reconvene into Open Session to discuss and/or take action on:

1. Fire department substation options between GBCEDC and the City; **and**
2. Government documents.

Mayor Braswell reconvened the Open Session at 8:41 p.m.

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[Council Member - Linda Rankin: Motion to take no action at this time on the first item under the executive session \(18 -1\).](#)

Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: 2nd
Council Member - Rob Rea: Approve
Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve
Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve
Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve
Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve
Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A

Council Member - Linda Rankin: Motion to direct the EDC attorney and the City Attorney to start negotiations regarding a lease between the two entities for the purpose of leasing Brawner Hall to house the fire equipment as soon as possible.
Council Member - Carol Calkins: 2nd

David Skains, EDC President, said he felt it would have prudent if the Council had come before the EDC Board and talked to them about whether they wanted to spend money with the EDC attorney so he was going to assume that the City would be spending the money for the attorneys to do these negotiations. The EDC would be having a regular meeting on August 11. The City Manager said they could hold a joint meeting on the 11th to discuss this.

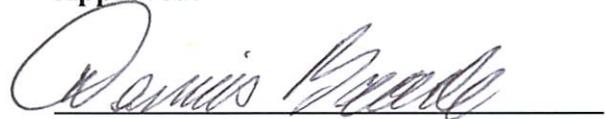
Council Member - Linda Rankin: Motion to substitute her motion to have a meeting with the EDC on August 11th to discuss directing the EDC attorney and the City Attorney to start negotiations regarding a lease between the two entities for the purpose of leasing Brawner Hall to house the fire equipment on an as soon as possible basis.
Council Member - Carol Calkins: 2nd
Council Member - Rob Rea: Disapprove
Council Member - Ronald Wyrick: Approve
Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve
Council Member - Carol Calkins: Approve
Council Member - Linda Rankin: Approve
Mayor - Jim Braswell: N\A

The meeting adjourned at 8:46 p.m.

Attest:


Christy Eckerman, City Secretary

Approved:


Dennis Baade, Mayor Pro-tem