

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

The City Council of the City of Gun Barrel City, Texas met in a regular meeting, in City Hall, located at 1716 West Main Street, Gun Barrel City, Texas, on Tuesday, September 25, 2012 at 6:30 p.m.

Mayor Eaton called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. City Manager Gerry Boren gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance followed. Roll was called. A quorum was established.

[Council Member - Rodney Bevill: Present](#)

[Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: Present](#)

[Mayor - Paul Eaton: Present](#)

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

[Council Member - Curtis Webster: Present](#)

[Council Member - Ronnie Johnson: Present](#)

Citizen Presentations: None

The City Manager commented that this meeting was being recorded and could be viewed on our website at www.gunbarrelcity.net

There was also a crime watch program, crimereports.com, which could be accessed through the website. You log into your address and search this area and it would tell you what police activity had been reported.

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 **August 28, 2012 Council meeting, the September 7 & 14, 2012 workshop meetings** and the following **August reports:**

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 Department – cost break down of monthly street repair

Building Official – number of inspections and associated fees

Code Enforcement – break down of violations and garage sale applications/fees

EDC minutes and financial report

Council Member - Curtis Webster: moved to approve the Consent Agenda. Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: seconded.

Council Member - Rodney Bevill: Approve

Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: Approve

Mayor - Paul Eaton: N\A

Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve

Council Member - Curtis Webster: Approve

Council Member - Ronnie Johnson: Approve

ITEM # 2: Discuss and/or take action to approve a Consumer Price Index rate adjustment allowed in the Allied Waste Contract for Solid Waste Collection & Disposal as stated in Paragraph 12.02, to be effective October 1, 2012. **(City Manager)**

00:07:00

Laura Capehart with Allied Waste was present to explain the increase. This year's increase was 1.5% and it would cost residents just twenty cents more a month.

Council Member - Curtis Webster: moved to approve a Consumer Price Index rate adjustment pursuant to the contract the City had with Allied Waste. Council Member - Dennis Baade: seconded.

Council Member - Rodney Bevill: Approve

Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: Approve

Mayor - Paul Eaton: N\A

Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve

Council Member - Curtis Webster: Approve

Council Member - Ronnie Johnson: Approve

ITEM # 3: Discuss or take action on no trash service at 106 Doe Run. **(Charles Townsend)**

Webster requested that this item be removed from the agenda.

ITEM # 4: Public hearing to discuss the City's budget for the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year. **(Mayor)**

Mayor Eaton opened the public hearing. There were no comments. The public hearing was closed.

ITEM # 5: Discuss and/or take action to adopt Ordinance #O-2012-010 adopting the City's budget for the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year. **(City Manager)**

00:14:22

The City Manager said a lot of thought was put into this budget process to spend the taxpayer's money wisely. This year, with about the same amount of funds, we were finally able to give the

employees a raise. Two new police vehicles were being purchased out of the surplus that was carried over. Departments were asked to cut their budgets by 3% and they met that challenge. He thanked the Council for their guidance.

Council Member - Curtis Webster: moved to adopt Ordinance #O-2012-010 adopting the City's budget for the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year. Council Member - Rodney Bevill: seconded.

Council Member - Rodney Bevill: Approve

Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: Approve

Mayor - Paul Eaton: N\A

Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve

Council Member - Curtis Webster: Approve

Council Member - Ronnie Johnson: Approve

ITEM # 6: Discuss and/or take action to adopt Ordinance #O-2012-011 fixing the rate and tax levy for the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year. **(City Manager)**

00:19:08

We are required to set the rate and tax levy every year even if it's set at zero.

Council Member - Dennis Baade: moved to adopt Ordinance #O-2012-011 fixing the rate and tax levy for the 2012-2013 Fiscal Year. Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: seconded.

Council Member - Rodney Bevill: Approve

Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: Approve

Mayor - Paul Eaton: N\A

Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve

Council Member - Curtis Webster: Approve

Council Member - Ronnie Johnson: Approve

ITEM # 7: Discuss and/or take action to adopt Resolution #R-2012-007 approving the EDC 2012-2013 Fiscal Year Budget. **(EDC)**

00:21:00

Baade explained the EDC budget. Their portion of the sales tax would be \$391,236. Existing cash on hand totaled \$1,215,000. There were several outstanding loans to six businesses. Total assets after outstanding loans were \$1,751,354.

The expenses for the coming year were increased by 2%. Project costs were estimated at \$1,248,205. Projects included: Parks & Recreation Projects, \$155,000; First and Last Bar & Grill, \$25,000; Veterans Grants, \$50,000; Development of the 92 acres, \$100,000; Huddle House, \$50,000; Vintage Gardens, \$40,000; Church Street sewer, \$16,000; Heritage Cove PID,

\$350,000; Movie Star Cinema, \$100,000; Applebee's, \$25,000; a business park, \$130,000 and retail and restaurant incentives, \$200,000.

An expense for Marketing was set at \$53,635; local publications at \$1,103 and the web page at \$1,983 totaling \$56,721 for Organization/Marketing.

There was \$250,000 set aside for the Revolving Loan Fund to help businesses locate in the City and \$60,000 for Undesignated Reserves totaling \$310,446. Other items included insurance, bonding, grant consultant, professional development, salaries, office expenses and facility expenses. Total liabilities are \$1,751,354.

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Webster said there was \$25,000 allocated for Applebee's but they would like to receive an incentive of \$325,000 over the next ten years. The City went to bat for Applebee's for the 2 a.m. alcohol license and now they were asking for \$325,000 which as far as Webster was concerned was blackmail or an insult. Applebee's should be coming in on their own. Webster would never vote for this.

Mayor Eaton commented that this didn't reflect on the politics of last year. He was told Gun Barrel City was competing with Canton who offered Applebee's \$300,000. Webster said there were a lot of restaurants in the City that were hurting. Baade commented that Applebee's would create 60 jobs and it would mean additional sales tax revenue for the City. The EDC would tie this to an incentive where they would get 60% back. Mayor Eaton added that if we gave Applebee's this money, we would be setting precedence.

The City Manager recommended they set a public workshop to discuss Applebee's. The \$325,000 was not being approved in this budget. A possible \$25,000 was being approved but if the project never happened, the money would go back into the unrestricted reserve fund. Baade said Applebees would have to come back to the Council as an independent project.

[Council Member - Ronnie Johnson: moved to adopt Resolution #R-2012-007 approving the EDC 2012-2013 Fiscal Year budget. Council Member – Melvyn Hayes: seconded.](#)

[Council Member - Rodney Bevill: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: Approve](#)

[Mayor - Paul Eaton: N/A](#)

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

[Council Member - Curtis Webster: Approve](#)

[Council Member - Ronnie Johnson: Approve](#)

ITEM # 8: Discuss and/or take action to reappoint Dennis Baade (Place 2), Pat Cassady (Place 4) and James Cavanaugh (Place 6), to the EDC with terms to expire October 2014. **(EDC)**

00:31:45

Council Member - Curtis Webster: moved to reappoint Dennis Baade (Place 2), Pat Cassady (Place 4) and James Cavanaugh (Place 6), to the EDC with terms to expire October 2014. Council Member – Rodney Bevill: seconded.

Council Member - Rodney Bevill: Approve

Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: Approve

Mayor - Paul Eaton: N\A

Council Member - Dennis Baade: Abstain

Council Member - Curtis Webster: Approve

Council Member - Ronnie Johnson: Approve

ITEM # 9: Discuss and/or take action to name an official newspaper for the 2012-2013 fiscal year. **(City Manager)**

00:33:34

Council Member - Curtis Webster: moved to name The Monitor as the official newspaper for the 2012-2013 fiscal year. Council Member - Dennis Baade: seconded.

Council Member - Rodney Bevill: Approve

Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: Approve

Mayor - Paul Eaton: N\A

Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve

Council Member - Curtis Webster: Approve

Council Member - Ronnie Johnson: Approve

ITEM #10: Discuss and/or take action to adopt Ordinance #O-2012-012 amending Chapter 34, Subsection 34.04, Organization; Meetings, relating to Park Board meetings, to make it coincide with the City Charter. **(City Manager)**

00:34:22

The City Charter and Code of Ordinances were in conflict and this ordinance change would allow the Chairman of the Park Board to hold monthly meetings at a time, date and place designated by the Chairman.

Council Member - Curtis Webster: moved to adopt Ordinance #O-2012-012 amending Chapter 34, Subsection 34.04, Organization; Meetings, relating to Park Board meetings, to make it coincide with the City Charter. Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: seconded.

Council Member - Rodney Bevill: Approve

Council Member - Melvyn Hayes: Approve

Mayor - Paul Eaton: N\A

[Council Member - Dennis Baade: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Curtis Webster: Approve](#)
[Council Member - Ronnie Johnson: Approve](#)

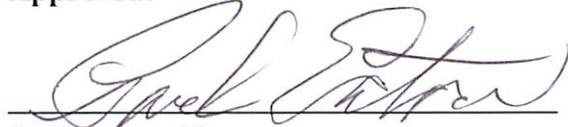
The meeting adjourned at 7:08 p.m.

Attest:



Christy Eckerman, City Secretary

Approved:



Paul Eaton, Mayor