

REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

APRIL 11, 2017

5:30 P.M.

COUNCIL CHAMBER, 110 NORTH 8TH STREET
GATESVILLE, TEXAS 76528

AN OPEN MEETING WAS HELD CONCERNING THE FOLLOWING SUBJECTS

1) CALL TO ORDER AT 5:35 P.M. THIS 11th DAY OF APRIL, 2017

PRESENT: Mayor Chumley, Council Members, Mitchell, Rainer, Suson, Hitt, Doyle, and Viss

OTHERS PRESENT: City Manager William H. Parry III, City Secretary Wendy Cole, City Attorney Sandy Gately, Roger Miller, Don Norman, Jack Brown, Jenifer Turner, Beth Turner, Joe Campbell, Liz Reinhardt, Celeste Drake, Brenda Kipphen, Cheri Shepherd, Patricia Westbrook, Timothy Manning, Marie Dominguez, Shelley Herring, Sabrina Foster, David Bullard, Lute Sullins, Jessica Stiles, Kathy Harte, Mary Jane Zeigler, Phil Zeigler, Michael Gohlke, Larry Kennedy, G. M. Cleverley, Becky Foreman, and Michele McCown

2) HEAR VISITORS/CITIZENS FORUM: AT THIS TIME, ANY PERSON WITH BUSINESS BEFORE THE COUNCIL NOT SCHEDULED ON THE AGENDA MAY SPEAK TO THE COUNCIL FOR A MAXIMUM OF THREE (3) MINUTES. NO FORMAL ACTION CAN BE TAKEN ON THESE ITEMS AT THIS MEETING.

Visitors present were only concerned with an Agenda item.

3) CONSENT AGENDA (ALL CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS ARE CONSIDERED ROUTINE BY CITY COUNCIL AND WILL BE ENACTED BY ONE MOTION. THERE WILL BE NO SEPARATE DISCUSSION OF THESE ITEMS UNLESS A COUNCILMEMBER REQUESTS AN ITEM BE REMOVED AND CONSIDERED SEPARATE

2017-23

Approval of Minutes from previous meeting

2017-24

Consider Proclamation declaring April 22, 2017 as "Day of Child"

Motion by Viss, seconded by Rainer, all voting "Aye" to approve Resolution Number 2017-23 approval of Minutes from previous meeting and 2017-24 proclamation declaring April 22, 2017 as "Day of Child".

4) CONSIDER PROCLAMATION DECLARING THE WEEK OF APRIL 9-15, 2017" AS "NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATORS WEEK"

Mayor Gary Chumley read the proclamation recognizing April 9-15 2017 as "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week." Mayor Chumley presented the proclamation to the dispatchers present at the meeting and a group photograph was taken by Larry Kennedy of the Gatesville Messenger.

Motion by Doyle, seconded by Suson, all voting "Aye" to approve Resolution Number 2017-25

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-25 - approve Proclamation declaring the week of April 9-15, 2017 as "National Public Safety Telecommunicators Week".

5) CONSIDER APPROVAL OF RESOLUTION 2017-26 SUPPORTING THE CREATION OF A “KEEP GATESVILLE BEAUTIFUL” COMMITTEE, APPROVING THE EXECUTIVE BOARD AND GUIDELINES

City of Gatesville Convention and Visitors Bureau Director, Cheri Shepherd, outlined the reasons and procedures required to create a “Keep Gatesville Beautiful” Committee. Ms. Shepherd explained tha having a “Keep Gatesville Beautiful” organization would greatly enhance several missions in Gatesville:

1. Code Enforcement
2. Making Gatesville an attractive place for visitors

Several informal meetings have been held which revealed there that there is a tremendous community interest in forming a Chapter in Gatesville. The organization would be an affiliate of the “Keep Texas Beautiful” program with the mission to educate and engage our citizens to take responsibility for a cleaner, more beautiful community. There are several options to organize an affiliate and it has been determined that the quickest and most viable option would be to establish the committee under an existing board of the City. It was recommended to form the committee under the Gatesville Economic Development Board (EDB) which was formed about three years ago.

Ms. Shepherd discussed the resolution, guidelines and proposed board and recommended all for approval:

RESOLUTION NO. 2017-26

A RESOLUTION SUPPORTING THE KEEP TEXAS BEAUTIFUL, INC. ORGANIZATION IN GATESVILLE, TEXAS AND ESTABLISHING A KEEP GATESVILLE BEAUTIFUL COMMITTEE.

WHEREAS, Gatesville desires to improve the physical quality of community life; and

WHEREAS, a clean environment contributes to the emotional, physical, and economic well-being of our citizens; and

WHEREAS, the Affiliate Program, developed by Keep Texas Beautiful, Inc. will assist greatly in reducing the improper handling of waste, and thereby reduce litter and increase solid waste management activities:

NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GATESVILLE, TEXAS;

That the governing body hereby endorses the organization and supports the participation with Keep Texas Beautiful, Inc., and

FURTHER, THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF GATESVILLE, TEXAS hereby recognizes the Keep Gatesville Beautiful Committee and approves the Committee to be organized under the Gatesville Economic Development Board. Said committee shall be an official committee and shall be accountable to the Gatesville City Council. The members and chairman of the Keep Gatesville Beautiful Committee shall be appointed/elected by the Keep Gatesville Beautiful Nominating Committee and further approved by the Gatesville City Council.

This resolution shall be in full force and effect from and after its adoption.

PASSED AND APPROVED by the City of Gatesville, Texas on the 11th day of April, 2017.

The proposed executive board and ex officios are as follows and recommended for approval:

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| 1. Sabrina Foster | 6. Celeste Drake |
| 2. Roger Miller | 7. Joe Campbell |
| 3. Mary Jane Ziegler | 8. Valerie Ferrell |
| 4. Michael Gohlke | 9. Kathy Harte |
| 5. Marie Dominguez | 10. Shelley Herring |

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1. Ex Officio representing the City Council: Ronnie Viss
2. Ex Officios representing City of Gatesville: Cheri Shepherd and Wendy Cole

Mayor Chumley said that he appreciates everyone's interest in this organization and commented that he has been receiving a lot of positive feedback and is sure more citizens will become involved.

A group photograph was taken by the Gatesville Messenger with the Mayor presenting Resolution 2017-26 to the members of the organization that were present at the meeting.

Motion by Mitchell, seconded by Doyle, all voting "Aye" to approve Resolution Number 2017-26

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-26 - approve Resolution 2017-26 supporting the creation of the "Keep Gatesville Beautiful" Committee, approving the Executive Board and Guidelines.

6) CONSIDER RE-PLAT TO DIVIDE 111 PATE DRIVE, LEGALLY KNOWN AS .654 ACRES IN THE A. AROCHA SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 8 INTO TWO LOTS

Zoning Official, Liz Reinhardt, stated that Charles Lewis is the owner of this property and has requested to divide this parcel of land into two evenly split lots with the intent to build a smaller home on the second lot for himself and either rent or sell the existing home on the first lot. The Planning and Zoning Commission met on April 3, 2017 and unanimously voted to approve this request.

Motion by Suson, seconded by Rainer, all voting "Aye" to approve Resolution Number 2017-27

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-27 - approve the replat request from Charles Lewis to divide 111 Pate Drive legally known as .654 acres in the A. Arocha Survey, Abstract No. 8 into two evenly split lots.

7) CONSIDER AWARDING THE BANK DEPOSITORY FOR THE CITY OF GATESVILLE MUNICIPALITY'S FUNDS

Finance Director, Brenda Kiphen reminded the Council that Texas First State Bank has been the City of Gatesville's depository for the last five (5) years and that by state law this service must now be rebid. Proposals were sent out to all local banks, public notices were published in the Gatesville Messenger, and posted on the City's website. City of Gatesville received bids from Texas First State Bank and National United. Finance Department staff compared the services at both banks with services being very similar, but Texas First State Bank offered a lower interest rates on loans and a higher rate for accounts drawing interest. Ms. Kiphen recommended that Texas First State Bank be approved as the City's bank depository for the next three (3) years with two (2) optional years that would be reviewed each year based upon performances.

Motion by Viss, seconded by Suson, all voting "Aye" to approve Resolution Number 2017-28

RESOLUTION NUMBER 2017-28 - approve Texas First State Bank as the bank depository for the City of Gatesville Municipality's funds for the next three years (May 1, 2017 – May 1, 2020) with two optional years, to reviewed each year, based upon performances.

8) CITY MANAGERS REPORT

- Exchange Club is sponsoring the Golden Deeds banquet on Monday, April 17th at 6:30 at the First United Methodist Church. Republican Party representative, Jack Barcroft, asked Mr. Parry to tell the Council that Congressman Williams will be attending and wanted the Council to be aware in case anyone would care to attend. Councilman Viss has tickets if anyone is interested.
- WaterCARE Communities Program. The Southwest Environmental Finance Center has been in Gatesville this week and focused on the inventory and mapping of our water/wastewater assets including the lines, valves, fire hydrants and more. This asset management allows the City to systematically look at what the city has, the condition it is in, what the lifecycle is and then to determine the cost to replace or if it just needs to be repaired. Next to be determined is what the City's level of service goals are which will allow the staff to devise a strategy for replacement, repair and operation and maintenance costs.
- Live Oak Infrastructure Rehabilitation. There was a pre-construction meeting with B-Corp Utilities, Walker Partners and City Staff April 5th. The City would like to conduct a Town Hall meeting for residents in that area that will be impacted by this project probably on Tuesday April 18th. That is the same evening as the Circus so not sure if that would be an issue. Mr. Parry encouraged all the City Councilmembers to attend the Town Hall meeting. Construction is scheduled to commence the first of May and is anticipated to be approximately a six month project. Atmos Gas is scheduled to be finished with their part of this project by May 1st.
- Energy Savings Performance Contract. The retrofit of the lighting has occurred at the Police Department, the library and a small punch list is being worked on at the Fire Station and the Utility building. The improvements at the Fitness Center started today. The work has been done very professionally with the results being quite pleasing. The new LEDs should not have to be replaced for twenty-five years as a result of these projects. It is too soon to realize the energy savings, but the Council will be updated as soon as City staff sees the savings. City Manager Parry encouraged the Council to drive by the Police Department at night to observe the outside lighting. It is quite impressive.
- 2008 Water System Bond Refunding. Conducted a pre-due diligence conference call with the City's financial advisor today with a conference call scheduled with the bond underwriters April 13th. The decision to refund the bonds will be brought to the Council at the next meeting on April 25th.
- Discussed future council meeting agenda topics and workshops.
- Discussed the budget timeline and highlighted:
 - May 9th – midyear budget review
 - June 27th – Informal budget workshop
 - July 11th – “Working” draft budget submitted to Council
And set date/time/place for the Budget Public Hearing.
 - July 25th – Budget Workshop, Budget Public Hearing, discuss tax rate, and schedule tax rate Public Hearing.
 - September 12th – Adopt budget, approve tax rate, ratify tax rate.

Everyone needs to be present!

- Senate Bill 2 is still not approved which is the bill that will affect cities ability to raise taxes. It is now in the House after being passed by the Senate. It has been referred to the Ways and Means Committee and this committee has not held a public hearing yet. It is possible that the bill could die if the committee does not meet in the appropriate time frame.

9) RECESS REGULAR MEETING AND CALL AN EXECUTIVE SESSION AT 6:05 P.M.

CLOSED MEETING

This closed meeting is in accordance with Government Code Sec. 551-072 – Real Property – deliberation regarding the possible sale of real property

10) END CLOSED SESSION AND RECONVENE REGULAR MEETING AT 6:30 P.M.

11) CONSIDER ANY ACTION REQUIRED FROM THE EXECUTIVE SESSION
CONCERNING THE POSSIBLE SALE OF REAL PROPERTY

There was not a motion as a result of the Executive Session concerning the possible sale of real property.

Mayor Chumley stated that this issue could possibly be scheduled on the next agenda on April 25th.

12) ADJOURN REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING AT 6:32 P.M. THIS 11th DAY OF
APRIL, 2017

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Wendy Cole
City Secretary

Gary M. Chumley
Mayor

