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The City of Bellmead City Council

Regular Meeting

Cynthia Ward
City Clerk
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~ Minutes ~

Tuesday, January 12, 2010

6:30PM

Bellmead City Hall

I. CALL TO ORDER

The Meeting was called to order on January 12, 2010 at the Bellmead City Hall, 3015 Bellmead, Bellmead, Texas at 6:30 PM by Mayor Ruth Haines-Fields.

Attendee Name	Present	Absent	Late	Arrived
Mayor Ruth Haines Fields	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
David Schroder	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Carl E. Swanson III	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Kevin Wilson	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Doss Youngblood	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Joshua A. Collier	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	<input type="checkbox"/>	

II. INVOCATION

Mayor Ruth Haines-Fields gave the invocation.

III. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Council member Youngblood led the Pledge to the American flag.

IV. ACKNOWLEDGEMENT OF GUEST AND VISTORS/ PUBLIC COMMENT

Mayor Ruth Haines- Fields welcomed guest and visitors, opening the floor for public comment to those individuals wishing to address the Council, regarding non- agenda items.

Julie Sykora of 803 Laclede, thanked Mr. Pena for having information on the meetings placed on the sign for citizens to see. She stated not everyone has the internet and appreciated the information being available for citizens to drive down Bellmead Dr. and know when the meetings where. She stated during the last B.E.D.C. meeting a board members family member ask for money, and feels this is a conflict of interest. She gave suggestions on all the listed items on the agenda, and ended by thanking the council members and the new city manager for being in the positions they are in, and she would like to see a difference made with the city .

V. COUNCIL/ CITY MANAGER REPORTS

Discussion regarding the following:

Council member Youngblood – No report.

Council member Wilson – Wished everyone a Happy New Year, and wanted to see things continue in a positive direction for the city.

Mayor Pro Tem Schroeder – No report.

Council member Swanson III – No report.

Council member Collier – No report.

A. Presentation of New Website.

Comments- Current meeting:

Mr. Pena addressed the council and showed slide presentation of the new website.

B. Report on proposed new sign ordinance.

Comments- Current meeting:

Mr. Pena addressed the council in regards to the current sign ordinance. He stated the current sign ordinance is only about 7 to 8 lines long, and would be hard to enforce. He stated he currently has Mr. Grisham working on a new sign ordinance to bring certain items into compliance.

C. Presentation on staffing analysis.

Comments- Current meeting:

Mr. Pena addressed the council with a proposed staffing analysis which would consist of 9 additional positions which would cost the city approximately \$185,000 per year.

D. Appointment of Board Committee Members.

Comments- Current meeting:

Mr. Pena address the council members in regards to Board Committee positions that has expired, and asked that the information on board members for the different Precincts be turned in as soon as possible.

E. Work session to discuss B.E.D.C.

Comments- Current meeting:

Mayor Ruth Haines-Fields and council members agreed to schedule a Work session for Thursday, January 28th at 4p.m.

VI. CONSENT AGENDA

All consent items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be separate discussion of these items unless a Council Member so requests, and if such a request is made, the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in a normal sequence on the agenda.

Motion was made to approve the Consent Agenda.

Discussion: None

MOTION: David Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDED: Kevin Wilson, Council member
AYES: Swanson, Youngblood and Collier, Council members
NAYES:

A. Minutes Approval

1. Tuesday, December 8, 2009

VII. REGULAR AGENDA

A. Discussion and/ possible action adding Subsection (e) to Section 11-60 of the Code of Ordinance.

Council member Kevin Wilson spoke in regards to adding a subsection to the current ordinance which would allow businesses additional time to prepare and eliminate the use of the trailers. He suggested giving the business an additional 2 years to comply, with the current ordinance still being in affect.

Mr. Olson read the following ordinance

ORDINANCE NO. _____

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLMEAD, TEXAS AMENDING SECTION 11-60. EXCEPTIONS. OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLMEAD ADDING SUBSECTION (e) PROVIDING AN ADDITIONAL EXCEPTION TO ARTICLE V. OF CHAPTER 11 OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF BELLMEAD

Council member Swanson had concerns about item (e) and questioned who authorized the changes to the ordinance.

City Attorney Olson stated no changes had been made to the ordinance and that item (e) is being proposed as an addition to the current ordinance.

Council member Wilson concurred.

Council member Schroeder suggested the item be moved to the work session for further discussion. He made a motion to table the issue.

MOTION: David Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDED: Carl E. Swanson III, Council member
AYES: Mayor Ruth Haines- Fields
NAYES: Doss Youngblood and Joshua Collier, Council members
OBSTAIN: Kevin Wilson, Council member

Discussion: NONE

Item was tabled for January 28th work session.

B. Discussion and/ or possible action authorizing the City Manager to obtain bids for sale of 12.44 acres of City property located at 2000 Blk. Development Boulevard. Thomas de La Vega Grant.

MOTION:	Carl E. Swanson III, Council member
SECONDED:	David Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Wilson, Youngblood and Collier, Council members
NAYES:	None

Discussion: None

Motion: Carried.

- C. Discussion and/ or possible action adding personnel thus hereby amending FY 09-10 budget.

Council member Carl E. Swanson III asked the Chief Finance Officer to explain the budget changes to the council.

Chief Finance Officer Elizabeth Dieterich concurred and addressed the council with amended item changes.

Council member Joshua Collier wanted to know if the changes are approved would the city be okay in regards to the overall budget.

Chief Finance Officer stated yes.

MOTION:	Kevin Wilson, Council member
SECONDED:	Joshua Collier, Council member
AYES:	Schroeder, Mayor ProTem, Swanson III, and Youngblood, Council members
NAYES:	None

Discussion: None

Motion: Carried.

- D. Discussion and/ or action to approve Resolution 2010-002 ordering a General Election in and throughout the City of Bellmead on Saturday, May 8, 2010, at which time there shall be submitted to the duly qualified resident electors of the said City the election of a Council Member for Precinct 3, Precinct 4 and At- Large, designating polling locations; authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract for election services with the McLennan County Elections Administrator and further authorizing the City Manager to execute a joint election agreement with La Vega Independent School District (LVISD) ; and providing for other matters relating to the general election, in the amount not to exceed \$13,000.

MOTION:	Joshua Collier, Council member
SECONDED:	David Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Wilson, Swanson III, and Youngblood, Council members
NAYES:	None

Discussion: None

Motion: Carried

- E. Discussion and/ or possible action regarding the purchase of a New Tanker Truck.

Chief James Karl addressed the council regarding the New Tanker Truck. He stated the Fire department received a grant with a 90/10 split and the bid information is included inside the council packets. The City's portion would be \$15,500. The total purchase price for the Tanker is \$155,000.

Council member Carl E. Swanson III asked Chief Karl which Tanker he recommended. Chief Karl stated the Pierce 2D IHC N7400 and gave brief description of Tanker and in what capacity it would be used by the Fire Department.

MOTION:	Carl E. Swanson III, Council member
SECONDED:	Kevin Wilson, Council member
AYES:	Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem, Collier, and Youngblood, Council members
NAYES:	None

Discussion: None

Motion: Carried.

- F. Discussion and/ or possible action regarding an interlocal agreement to provide administrative services for Bellmead Economic Development Corp.

City Manager Victor Pena addressed the council in regards to an interlocal agreement. The agreement states B.E.D.C. will pay the City of Bellmead \$ 40,000 for services rendered for work done by city employees for B.E.D.C.

Council member Collier wanted to know if this would be a burden to the city employees.

City Manager Pena stated the employees have helped in the past and it did not pose a problem.

Council member Youngblood wanted to know if the city employees that work with B.E.D.C. would be paid.

City Manager Pena stated that in the past city employees had been compensated.

Council member Youngblood pointed out that it is stated in the bylaws, they are not legally allowed to pay the person if the person is a city employee.

City Attorney Olson stated contract entered into with B.E.D.C. and City of Bellmead, with no money to individuals of the City of Bellmead. The money would go to the City.

MOTION:	Kevin Wilson, Council member
SECONDED:	David Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem
AYES:	Swanson III, Youngblood and Collier, Council members
NAYES:	None

Discussion: None

Motion: Passed

- G. Discussion and/or possible action on acceptance of donation to Police Department.

City Manager Pena stated the Bellmead Police Department had received a \$5000 donation from Huaco Tribe 15 and stated that if the City accepted the donation it would be used by the Police Department in the Crime Prevention area.

MOTION:	David Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDED:	Joshua Collier, Council member
AYES:	Swanson III, Youngblood and Wilson, Council members
NAYES:	None

Discussion: Council member Collier stated we should send Huaco Tribe 15 a thank you card.

Motion: Passed

H. Discussion and/ or possible action on acceptance of donation to Fire Department.

City Manager Pena stated the Bellmead Fire Department had received a \$5000 donation from Huaco Tribe 15, and stated that if the City accepts the donation it would be used by the Fire Department for fire suppression.

MOTION:	David Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem
SECONDED:	Joshua Collier, Council member
AYES:	Wilson, Swanson III, and Youngblood, Council members
NAYES:	

Discussion: None

Motion: Carried

I. Discussion and / or possible action on approving Ordinance 2010-003 for assessment and collection of a municipal court building security fee.
City Attorney Olson offered the **first** reading of the following ordinance:

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-03

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF BELLMEAD, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR ASSESSMENT AND COLLECTION OF A MUNICIPAL COURT BUILDING SECURITY FEE THROUGH THE ADOPTION OF NEW SECTION 11-90 TO BE ADDED TO CHAPTER 11 OF THE MISCELLANEOUS PROVISIONS AND OFFENSES; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES OR PARTS OF ORDINANCES IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; AND FINDING AND DETERMINING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS ORDINANCE IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW.

MOTION:	Kevin Wilson, Council member
SECONDED:	Carl E. Swanson III, Council member
AYES:	Schroeder, Mayor Pro Tem and Collier, Council member
NAYES:	Youngblood, Council member

Discussion: Council member Collier wanted to know if we have not accessed the fee in the past, even though it has been authorized by the state, why do we need to place the additional fee on the citizens that use the court system.

City Manager Pena stated the fee would help with the cost of court, equipment, a bailiff and other security items. He stated all the court costs are currently paid from the general fund.

Council member Wilson wanted to know if it would cover metal detectors.

City Manager Pena concurred.

Council member Wilson wanted to know how the money for the security fund would be tracked.

Finance Director Dieterich stated the security fund would be tracked separately from the city's funds.

Motion: Four ayes and one nay.

VIII. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Executive Session: Time at 7:40 p.m.

- A. *The City Council shall convene into executive session pursuant to §551.072 of the Texas Government Code to discuss the value and possible sale of real estate.*

Re-Opened Regular Session at 8:20 p.m.

Return to open session.

IX. ADJOURNMENT

A. **Motion To:** Adjourn

COMMENTS – Current Meeting:

There being no further business before the Council, the meeting was adjourned at 8:35 p.m.

Ruth Haines-Fields, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cynthia Ward, City Clerk