

City of Eden
Regular Session

The city council of the City of Eden met in regular session on Tuesday, June 11, 2013 in the council chambers of City Hall.

Mayor & City Council Members

Mayor Eddy Markham
Councilmember Shelley Hyles
Councilmember Eugene Spann
Councilmember Wendell Moody
Councilmember Jenifer Gierisch--**ABSENT**
Councilmember Grover Hall

City Staff/Appointed Officials

City Administrator Celina Hemmeter
Court Clerk Lisa Evans
Utilities Clerk Esther Gryniwicz
Parks & Recreation Manager Mike Turner
Public Works Supervisor Rodney Castleberry--**ABSENT**
Economic Development Coordinator Kathy Keane

Presentation of Awards to Law Enforcement- Mayor Markham presented Sheriff Richard Doane and Chief Deputy Chad Miller with Awards for Appreciation, for their acts of courage and bravery in regards to the events that occurred on May 6, 2013.

WORKSHOP

Parks and Recreation Manager Mike Turner provided Council with a written report. Rain has been great, doing a lot of mowing. Armadillo water service has put in the new pump. The City Pool is open and doing great. There was a small break in at the pool, candy and Gatorades were taken.

Public Works Supervisor Rodney Castleberry-Absent

Economic Development Coordinator Kathy Keane provided Council with a written report. Kathy received an e-mail from Chris Huffman with Brady Communications that stated they have decided not to do any expansion right now so the downtown wi-fi project will not be proceeding. Oscar Renda has moved in to the incubator and is happy with the arrangement. The floors need to be buffed over at the incubator. TxDot will cover any damage to right of way that might occur while Brownfield Site Assessment is working.

Councilperson Moody had questions and suggestions regarding the depth that we are drilling for the new water well and stated that we should consider casing to a deeper depth if budget allows.

Mayor Markham called the Council Meeting to order, and gave the Invocation.

PRESENTATION BY CITIZENS

There were no citizen comments

REPORTS OF OTHER AGENCIES, COMMISSIONS & STAFF

Sheriff Doane-At the beginning of the meeting.

Sage Diller--Absent

Tommy Wright/EMS--Absent

CONSENT ITEMS

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve the consent items A through E, Councilperson Moody seconded, motion carried.

- A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes May 14, 2013.
- B. Approval of Financial Statement Month ending May 2013.
- C. Approval of City of Eden Investment Report Month Ending May 2013.
- D. Budget Adjustments
- E. Temporarily closing Rochefort St. from S. Main to Steefox St. during June 21 concert event at Green Apple.

BUSINESS

Councilmember Moody made a motion to approve appointment of Councilperson Shelley Hyles as Mayor Pro Tem, seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Councilperson Spann made a motion to approve Business Item B. waiving the fees for the kitchen area of the Fire Station for the Bands to use during the July 4th Hero's Music Fest, seconded by Councilperson Hall, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve Business Item B. use of the fenced area adjacent to the Fire Hall for fireworks and the program, seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Blake Leggett gave an update on Leggett Tactical Solutions/White Wing. Basically it comes down to not enough qualified workforce. They want to stay in Eden, the problem is finding people to sew and do it well.

A Public Hearing was held regarding the recommendation by the Eden Economic Development Corporation (EEDC) to renew the 2-Year Grant/Loan to the Eden Community Child Care Center funding incentive in the amount of \$24,000 for job creation. Kathy Keane reported that the program is working well for the daycare, there was no public comment. Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve business item C. Renew the 2-Year Grant/Loan to the Eden Community Child Care Center funding incentive in the amount of \$24,000 for job creation seconded by Councilperson Hall, motion carried.

A Public Hearing was held regarding a recommendation from the EEDC to allocate an additional \$5,000 to the Façade Improvement Program under the current program's terms and policy guidelines. Kathy Keane provided information on the program and the success since its inception. Councilperson Moody made a motion to approve Business Item D. To allocate an additional \$5,000 to the Façade Improvement Program under the current program's terms and policy guidelines seconded by Councilperson Hyles, motion carried.

A Public Hearing was held to consider a recommendation by the EEDC to Grant up to \$8,100 to Jeff and Rebecca Bunger DBA Goose Feathers for building improvements and equipment related to a new business in the Central Business District. Kathy Keane provided information regarding the new business the Bungers will be opening- a high end gift shop with some food items. Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve business item F. Authorize the EEDC to Grant up to \$8,100 to Jeff and Rebecca Bunger DBA Goose Feathers for building improvements and equipment related to a new business in the Central Business District seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Councilperson Moody made a motion to approve Business item G. EEDC's 2013-2014 Budget seconded by Councilperson Hyles, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve Business Item H. Quote/proposal from Southwell Company for a dedication plaque for the Burnes Civic Center seconded by Councilperson Hall, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve Business Item I. Citizen Participation Plan seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve Business Item J. Citizen Complaint Procedures seconded by Councilperson Hall, motion carried.

Councilperson Spann made a motion to approve Business Item K. Cash and Labor Match for the Downtown Revitalization Project, seconded by Councilperson Hall, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve Business Item L. Resolution for the Designation of Blighted Area, seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve Business Item M. Resolution approving an application for Funding for a Downtown Revitalization Project, seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Discussion was had on Business Item N. Future Action regarding building located at 316 N. Main, and will be brought up in a future meeting.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to defer action until October for Business Item O. Ordinance 2013-01 Amending the City's Zoning Ordinance and providing for regulation of travel trailers stored in single family residential district, seconded by Councilperson Moody, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve Business Item P. TxDOT Right of way at Earl Rudder Park, seconded by Councilperson Moody, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve Business Item Q. Approval of TxDOT Municipal Maintenance Agreement, seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Councilperson Spann made a motion to approve Business Item R. Approval of Friday July 5 as an additional Holiday for City Employees, seconded by Councilperson Moody, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve to Business Item S. May 2013 Bills, seconded by Councilperson Hall, motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Eddy Markham

Celina Hemmeter, City Administrator