

City of Eden
Regular Session

The city council of the City of Eden met in regular session on Tuesday, March 11, 2014 in the council chambers of City Hall.

Mayor & City Council Members

Mayor Eddy Markham

Councilmember Eugene Spann

Councilmember Jenifer Gierisch

Councilmember Shelley Hyles- **Absent**

Councilmember Wendell Moody

Councilmember Grover Hall

City Staff/Appointed Officials

City Administrator Celina Hemmeter

Court Clerk Lisa Evans - Absent

Utilities Clerk Esther Gryniewicz

Economic Development Coordinator Laura Bowden

Parks & Recreation Manager Mike Turner

Public Works Supervisor Rodney Castleberry

WORKSHOP

Mike Turner provided a written report and stated that everything was going well. A new bathroom was added at the clubhouse to accommodate tournaments- it has two stalls and is a great improvement.

Rodney Castleberry reported that there had been several water leaks in the past month.

Laura Bowden reported that her first few weeks on the job have gone well. She will begin providing Council Reports next month. Laura went to a Basic Economic Development Training class by TEDC in Dallas for a week, it was interesting and she learned a lot. Other items she has been working on include the advertising for Spring Stampede, the Burrito Lady food truck business as well as a couple of other business prospects.

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

PRESENTATION BY CITIZENS

Cindy Gonzales the "Burrito Lady" gave Council a report on her food truck business. She has purchased a truck with the assistance of the Eden EDC. She is finalizing permits but should be ready for business this month; she is looking for a place to park it. Cindy asked if it may be possible to park on the square temporarily or she had talked with Celina who had suggested in front of the Green Apple. One of the needs is electricity and a restroom available. She will continue to look for a location other than City property and if need be she will get on the agenda for next month to discuss the City property.

REPORTS OF OTHER AGENCIES, COMMISSIONS & STAFF

Dan Choate from eHT gave a recap of the well project. The well has been completed with a successful cement job and they are in the process of drilling out the temporary plug. Josh Berry hill reported on the water treatment plant project and said that he had a very good meeting with the contractor ACP as well as WRT who will provide the treatment processing system.

There was not a representative from the Eden VFD.

CONSENT ITEMS

Councilperson Spann made a motion to approve the consent items A through C, Councilperson Hall seconded, motion carried.

- A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, February 11, 2014
- B. Approval of Financial Statement Month Ending February 2014
- C. Approval of City of Eden Investment Report Month Ending February 2014

BUSINESS

Anita Aguilar updated Council on Agenda item A- the upkeep of the Cemetery. She gave a recap of the past years from 2009- Fred Eureste took over as the job of manager of the "Mexicano Cemetery" as she called it. In June of 2010 a group of ten or more helped clean up the cemetery, 2013 was a rough year with individuals being sick, etc. They are trying to get the younger generations involved. Fermin Villarreal has agreed to be the contact person and they have set dates in April and October for clean up activities. Fermin can be reached at 456-2614.

Councilperson Gierisch made a motion to Approve Business Item B. Possible lease agreement for livestock on acreage at old dump site to Rodney Castleberry at \$6 per acre per year with the stipulation that the gun range is fenced off seconded by Councilperson Hall, motion carried.

Councilperson Spann made a motion to approve Business Item C. Proposal from Mr. Phillip Kothmann regarding the use of the radio tower owned by the City with the lease agreement to be \$120 /year for ten years and that he repair and maintain the building and pay the monthly electric bill seconded by Councilperson Hall, motion carried.

Councilperson Hall made a motion to approve Business item D. February 2014 bills, seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Eddy Markham

Celina Hemmeter, City Administrator