

City of Eden
Regular Session

The city council of the City of Eden met in regular session on Tuesday, October 14, 2014 in the council chambers of City Hall.

Mayor & City Council Members

Mayor Eddy Markham

Mayor Pro-Tem Shelley Hyles

Councilmember Jenifer Gierisch

Councilmember Eugene Spann

Councilmember Wade Ellison

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 - **Absent**

Parks & Recreation Manager Mike Turner

Public Works Supervisor Rodney Castleberry

PRESENTATION BY CITIZENS

None

WORKSHOP

Laura Bowden provided a written report to Council.

Rodney Castleberry, Public Works Supervisor reported that he and Cody Scott had spent last week in training for Water/Sewer Continuing Education in San Angelo and the week prior to that he was on vacation. This month they have worked on tree trimming and shredding and have only had two small water leaks.

Mike Turner provided a written report to Council. Mike informed Council that all was going well on the golf course but he voiced concerns regarding the Roy Burnes Civic Center. Mike is concerned about the general maintenance and upkeep on the building and the facilities and to who the responsibility would fall. Some discussion was had and it was determined to offer the cleaning job (over and above what should be covered in the rental agreement) to an existing employee first for extra pay as it is above and beyond their current scope of work. This maintenance should be budgeted for and paid from the revenues generated from the building rental. The first year's rental fees were used to install the heating units and to purchase the propane to run them. Mike also reported that he didn't know how to operate the vents and the heaters in the building.

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

REPORTS OF OTHER AGENCIES, COMMISSIONS & STAFF

- A. Volunteer Fire Department- Scott Sorrell— absent

CONSENT ITEMS

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

- A. Approval of September 9, 2014 Regular Meeting Minutes

- B. Approval of September 11 & 15 Public Hearing Minutes
- C. Approval of August 28 and September 25 Special Meeting Minutes (Tax Rate)
- D. Approval of Financial Statement Month Ending September 2014
- E. Approval of City of Eden Investment Report Month Ending September 2014

BUSINESS

Mr. Jeff Betty introduced himself to Council and described his history of work which included many Code Enforcement cases with the City of San Angelo. He told Council that as the Municipal Prosecutor he would take direction from Council regarding the way cases would be handled if he was hired.

Councilperson Spann made a motion to accept the resignation of E. Dwain Psencik as Municipal Prosecutor, seconded by Councilperson Hyles. Councilperson Ellison made a motion to approve Business Item A. Appointment of Jeffrey Brian Betty as Municipal Prosecutor, seconded by Councilperson Gierisch, motion carried. Councilperson Ellison made the motion to allow the City Administrator and Code Enforcement to determine which pay structure for the Municipal Prosecutor would work best for the city budget based on case load seconded by Councilperson Hyles, Councilperson Spann voted against, motion carried.

Richard Doane, Code Enforcement, asked City Council to consider rewriting the existing Dangerous Building and Structure Ordinance to remove all of the unnecessary restrictions and deadlines etc. Celina will speak with Mr. Betty to see if that is something he could do for the City with reasonable cost.

Councilperson Hyles made the motion to approve Business Item C. Interlocal Cooperation Contract for the Failure to Appear Program- Omnibase, seconds by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve Business Item. D. Adding City water wells to TML Property/Liability Insurance Policy seconded by Councilperson Gierisch, motion carried.

Councilperson Spann made a motion to accept Business Item E. Livestock permit- Michael Lawler, 310 May for 18 chickens, seconded by Councilperson Hyles, motion carried.

Councilperson Spann made a motion to approve Business Item F. Installation of additional street light at Lee Pfluger Park entrance by new gate building seconded by Councilperson Hall, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve Business Item G. September 2014 Bills, seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor, Eddy Markham

Celina Hemmeter, City Administrator