

City of Eden
Regular Session

The city council of the City of Eden met in regular session on Tuesday August 9, 2016 in the council chambers of City Hall.

Mayor & City Council Members

Mayor Eddy Markham
Councilmember Vicki Ramirez
Councilmember Jenifer Gierisch

Mayor Pro Tem Eugene Spann
Councilmember Wade Ellison
Councilmember Grover Hall

City Staff/Appointed Officials

City Admin Celina Hemmeter
Utilities Clerk Esther Gryniewicz
Econ Dev Coord. Laura Bowden

Court Clerk Lisa Evans- ABSENT
Public Works Supervisor Rodney Castleberry
Parks & Recreation Mgr Mike Turner

WORKSHOP

Laura Bowden provided a written report to Council which included a proposed map of Interstate 14 depicting the areas that have already been approved and the alternate routes that are pending approval. There is a coalition getting together to support the portion from San Angelo through Eden which would likely end up with a bypass portion for our town and is not in our best interest to join. Staff is working on a lease agreement with the new owner of White Wing and the Gazebo is almost complete.

Mike Turner provided a written report to Council. The course is burning up and with over 4 million gallons of water being used it is hard to tell we have watered in some areas. There are several pumps and pieces of equipment broken and or in need of repair including the pump at the pool, one golf course pump and the fairway mower.

Rodney Castleberry reported that well #3 is back up and running and we are in the process of getting it sampled before it goes back online- we need 3 good samples. The entire panel for the well was replaced. Eaker Street is finished and Bar Spur did a great job. We received approval from TCEQ for the Ellis well and additional sampling will be required for Lead and Copper. The crew is in the process of repairing the portion of Smith Street by the Gym by installing a concrete drive over curb and then will fill in with asphalt.

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

PRESENTATION BY CITIZENS

Alberta Trejo would like to amend her livestock permit to include 30 chickens and 17 goats.

Johna Williams voiced concerns about dogs that are tied out in yards with no water or shelter.

REPORTS OF OTHER AGENCIES, COMMISSIONS & STAFF

- A. Sage Diller-eHT engineering reported that a preconstruction meeting was held today for the CDBG water line project. Darnell Construction is ready to get started as soon as contracts are signed. Darnell also provided a proposal for the replacement project for a waterline heading east on Highway 87.

CONSENT ITEMS

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

- A. Approval of July 12, 2016 Regular Meeting Minutes
- B. Approval of July 21 Special Meeting Minutes
- C. Approval of Financial Statement Month Ending July 2016
- D. Approval of City of Eden Investment Report Month Ending July 2016
- E. Approval of Budget Adjustments Month Ending July 2016

BUSINESS ITEMS

Council Heard from Jon Cox regarding the issues surrounding “Game Rooms”, he encouraged Council to pass this Ordinance to help regulate them if they ever do approach the City. Councilperson Ellison made a motion to pass Ordinance 2016-04 Regulating Game Rooms and Amusement Redemption Machines with the following changes “Hours of operation from 10 am to 8 pm” seconded by Councilperson Gierisch, motion carried 4-1 with Spann opposed.

Councilperson Spann made a motion to approve Business Item B. Approval of Texas Film Friendly Guidelines, seconded by Councilperson Ellison, motion carried 4-1 with Gierisch opposed.

Councilperson Gierisch made a motion to approve Business Item C. Approval of an application to TDHCA for 2016 HOME Single Family Non-Development Programs including the Contract and Reservation Program, seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Councilperson Spann made a motion to approve Business Item D. Approval of EDC and City Administrator to apply for various grants that could provide funding for street repairs (such as local foundation grants, Keep TX Beautiful, etc.), seconded by Councilperson Ramirez, motion carried.

Councilperson Ellison made a motion to approve Business Item E. Transfer of funds in the amount of \$220,000 from the General Fund to the Golf Fund seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Councilperson Hall made a motion to approve Business Item F. Transfer of funds in the amount of \$330,000 from the General Fund to the Water/Sewer Fund (refunding, in part, the PILOT and Street Rental Fees of previous year) seconded by Councilperson Ellison, motion carried.

Councilperson Ellison made a motion to approve Business Item G. July 2016 Bills seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor, Eddy Markham

Celina Hemmeter, City Administrator