

City of Eden
Regular Session

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

Mayor & City Council Members

Mayor Eddy Markham

Councilmember Eugene Spann

Councilmember Jenifer Gierisch

Councilmember Shelley Hyles

Councilmember Wendell Moody

Councilmember Grover Hall

City Staff/Appointed Officials

City Administrator Celina Hemmeter

Court Clerk Lisa Evans

Utilities Clerk Esther Gryniewicz

Economic Development Coordinator Laura Bowden

Parks & Recreation Manager Mike Turner--ABSENT

Public Works Supervisor Rodney Castleberry—ABSENT

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing was held on Tuesday night as originally scheduled for the Downtown Revitalization Project (Kay Howard)

No public comment was heard at either meeting.

PUBLIC COMMENT

Carolyn Moody made an announcement that ASU is collecting information and stories on Vietnam Vets more information is posted at City Hall.

Canvass of Election & Oaths of Office

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to accept the Canvass of May 10, 2014 Election, seconded by Councilperson Gierisch, motion carried.

Mayor Markham swore in new Councilperson Wade Ellison.

WORKSHOP

Mike Turner provided a written report--**ABSENT**.

Rodney Castleberry--**ABSENT**

Laura Bowden reported sales tax increasing and we should see an impact in May's report. Staff is exploring additional options to secure WiFi for the downtown business district. We have been working with Dr. Kothmann who is an amateur ham operator on a lease agreement for the use of a tower located at the industrial park. Mrs. Bowden has been approached by a local entrepreneur about potential manufacturing business. May 8, LAWMAKERS LUNCHEON was hosted by Texas Midwest Community Network at

the Bill Franklin Center in Coleman. Staff will be touring the Capital with Judge Amos in the next couple of weeks. Staff is worked with the Saddle Club to advertise the *Spring Stampede* on Saturday, April 5, 2014. Staff is currently working on Heroes Music Fest for this July 4th. Headliner this year will be Jason Boland proceeds again benefiting the Wounded Warriors Project. This year the Hero's Fest will be held out at the Roy Burnes Civic Center. Staff and City Admin are currently working on a grant for Pfluger Park. The estimated cost will be around \$100,000.00. We have already received \$25,000.00 from the Spirit of Eden Fund.

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

REPORTS OF OTHER AGENCIES, COMMISSIONS & STAFF

Josh Berryhill reported that there was a construction status meeting on the water treatment plant most of the sub grade work is complete. WRT System is scheduled for the middle of June, if all goes as planned the project should be completed late July.

Scott Sorrell with Eden Volunteer Fire Department reported 1 Fatality car wreck and 1 fire by lighting.

CONSENT ITEMS

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

- A. Approval of Regular Meeting Minutes, April, 2014
- B. Approval of Financial Statement Month Ending April 2014
- C. Approval of City of Eden Investment Report Month Ending April 2014
- D. Authorizing Laura Bowden and/or Celina Hemmeter submit for grants at the San Angelo Area Foundation, King Foundation and MS Doss Foundation for Pfluger Park Playground
- E. Budget Adjustments
- F. Acceptance of the Certified Estimated 2014 pre-certification values as provided by Concho County Appraisal District.
- G. BUYBOARD Interlocal participation agreement

BUSINESS

Councilperson Spann made a motion to accept Business Item A. Change order #1 for Water Well Project, seconded by Councilperson Hall, motion carried.

Business Item B. Discussion with Scott Sorrell and Kay Edwards regarding Muncipal Judge Postion. Scott Sorrell stated that he has been involved in law enforcement for years. He held the position of Justice of the Peace for four years. He has been with the Eden Volunteer Fire Department for 21 years. He lives and works here in Eden and would be available anytime. He also discussed the type of software they used at County Court and how they went about collecting on warrants.

Kay Edwards grew up in Big Spring, graduated from Texas Tech. She has lived in San Angelo since 1984. She has a Bachelors degree in Arts and English. She taught English two years in Big Spring. She went back to Texas Tech and received her law degree. She worked for a private firm in San Angelo, where she got to know Dwain Psencik, who worked for the same firm. Then she went to work for the City of San

Angelo, part as a Municipal Prosecutor and then as a first Assistant City Attorney. She retired from the City of San Angelo in 2006.

Council entered into Executive Session at 7:57 p.m.

Council returned to Regular Session at 8:19 p.m.

Mayor Markham Congratulated Kay Edwards to be appointed as New Municipal Judge.

Councilperson Spann made a motion to approve Business Item D. Determine newspaper of record, The Eden Echo, seconded by Councilperson Hyles, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to approve Business item E. Resolution: Establishing the designated downtown area of the City of Eden as blighted, seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Councilperson Hyles made a motion to accept Business Item. F Resolution: BUYBOARD participation, seconded by Councilperson Ellison, motion carried.

Councilperson Hylers made a motion to accept Business Item G. April 2014 bills, seconded by Councilperson Spann, motion carried.

Council took a trip to Well site #3 with the Engineers.

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned.

Mayor Eddy Markham
