

April 7, 2014

On this the 7th day of April 2014 6:30 P.M., the City Commission of the City of Hereford, Texas, convened in a regular session in the Commission Chamber, in the City Hall, the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting having been given as prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Government Code, with the following members being present and in attendance, to-wit:

Robert D. Josserand, Mayor
 Jose A. Garza, Commissioner Place One
 Angie Alonzo, Commissioner Place Two
 Charlie Kerr, Commissioner Place Three
 Linda Cumpston, Commissioner, Place Four
 Cathy Bunch, Commissioner Place Five
 Sam Metcalf, Commissioner Place Six
 Rick L. Hanna, City Manager
 Suzanne Finch, City Secretary

Absent: Slater C. Elza, City Attorney

Lynda Work was in attendance from the Hereford Brand to witness the proceedings. Also in attendance were Assistant City Manager Steve Bartels, Audie Sciumbato (Underwood Law Firm), HEDC Executive Director Michael Kitten, Zane Edwards (Parkhill, Smith, & Cooper), Vince Viaille (Specialized Public Finance, Inc.), Captain Kirsten Williams, Seletta Gholson, Leona Tohm, Shorty Swopes and three other motorcyclists.

Mayor Josserand voiced the invocation and then called upon Commissioner Bunch to lead the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag. He then called the meeting to order, welcomed those in attendance and introduced each item on the agenda.

REGULAR HEARINGS:

ITEM 1 - Consider approval of minutes for the March 17, 2014 Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Metcalf made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Commissioner Kerr seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

ITEM 2 - Consider proclamation promoting Motorcycle Safety and Awareness.

Mayor Josserand read the proclamation on Motorcycle Safety and Awareness.

*A PROCLAMATION OF
 THE CITY OF HEREFORD*

WHEREAS, motorcycle riding is a popular form of efficient transportation and recreation for many people in Hereford; and

WHEREAS, it is important that the drivers of all vehicles be aware of one another and learn to share the road and practice courtesy; and

WHEREAS, motorcycles provide transportation that use fewer resources, cause less wear and tear on public roadways, and increase available parking areas; and

WHEREAS, the safety hazards created by automobile operators who have not been educated to watch for motorcyclists on the streets and highways of Hereford are of prime concern to motorcyclists; and

WHEREAS, it is especially important that the citizens of Hereford be aware of motorcycles on the streets and highways and recognize the importance of motorcycle safety; and

WHEREAS, the local riders actively promote the safe operation of motorcycles and increased motorist awareness of motorcycles; and

WHEREAS, it is important to recognize the need for awareness on the part of all drivers, especially with regard to sharing the road with motorcycles, and to honor motorcyclists' many contributions to the communities in which they live and ride;

NOW, THEREFORE, I, Robert D. Josseland, by virtue of the authority vested in me as Mayor of the City of Hereford, Texas do hereby resolve that the month of May 2014, is hereby officially designated Motorcycle Awareness Month in the City of Hereford, urging all citizens to join me in making the roads a safer place for our motorcyclists.

IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I do hereby set my hand, and cause the Corporate Seal of the City to be affixed this the 7th day of April, in the year of 2014.

/s/ Robert D. Josseland
Robert D. Josseland, Mayor

ITEM 3 - Hear report from Hereford Economic Development Corporation.

HEDC Executive Director Kitten reported on the following:

- United Amigos (scheduled to open in August)
- Sports Complex (May 15th scheduled completion date)
- Wind Farm Projects
- New Business (Hereford 1 of possible 3 locations)
- Panhandle Implement bought Oglesby Equipment
- Class IV Winds / Expo (Lesser Prairie Chicken listed as "threatened")

Mayor Josseland moved back to Item #2 and presented a framed copy of the Motorcycle Proclamation to Shorty Swopes and three other motorcyclists.

ITEM 4 - Consider approval of Hereford Economic Development Corporation's authorization to grant permission to the Executive Director to enter into a Contract Revenue Bond issuance up to \$12 million with Tejas Industries, Inc.

Commissioner Metcalf made the motion to permit HEDC Executive Director Michael Kitten to go ahead and enter into a contract for contract revenue bonds in an amount up to \$12 million with Tejas and under the current conditions as discussed with the City Commission tonight [in the work session, it was discussed contract is to be written such that there is no liability to the Hereford Economic Development Corporation or the City of Hereford and for the project as originally presented to Commission with no changes in liability due to funding/financing]. Commissioner Cumpton seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

ITEM 5 - Consider Ordinance No. 04.07.14 annexing 9.8133 acres of land, more or less situated in the south one-half of Section No. 78, Block K-3, Abstract No. 1490, R. J. Kibbe, Original Grantee, Certificate No. 920 of the A. B. & M. Surveys, Deaf Smith County, Texas, being a part of the land conveyed by Warranty Deed from Donald C. & Nancy L. Roberson to Donald C. & Nancy L. Roberson, Co-Trustees, and their successors in trust of the Roberson Revocable Trust dated May 16, 1991 as recorded in Volume 380, Page 680 of Deaf Smith County Records (located on W. 15th Street, east of the hospital and west of Wal-Mart.)

Mayor Josseland called upon Attorney Sciumbato to read the pertinent parts of Ordinance No. 04.07.14.

ORDINANCE NO. 04.07.14

AN ORDINANCE ANNEXING THE HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED TERRITORY TO THE CITY OF HEREFORD, DEAF SMITH COUNTY, TEXAS, AND EXTENDING THE BOUNDARY LIMITS OF SAID CITY SO AS TO INCLUDE SAID HEREINAFTER DESCRIBED PROPERTY WITHIN THE CITY LIMITS, AND GRANTING TO ALL OF THE INHABITANTS OF SAID PROPERTY ALL OF THE RIGHTS AND PRIVILEGES

OF OTHER CITIZENS, AND BINDING SAID INHABITANTS BY ALL OF THE ACTS, ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, AND REGULATIONS OF SAID CITY, AND PROVIDING FOR THE ZONING OF SAID ANNEXED AREA.

Commissioner Kerr made the motion to accept proposed Ordinance No. 04.07.14. Commissioner Bunch seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

ITEM 6 - Consider Ordinance No. 04.07.14A Amending the Schedule at the John Pitman Municipal Golf Course for Green Fees, Annual Membership Fees, Cart Path Fund, and Twilight Fees by establishing a new Fee Schedule effective May 1, 2014.

Mayor Josserand called upon Attorney Sciumbato to read the pertinent parts of Ordinance No. 04.07.14A.

ORDINANCE NO. 04.07.14A

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF HEREFORD, TEXAS, AMENDING THE SCHEDULE AT THE JOHN PITMAN MUNICIPAL GOLF COURSE FOR GREEN FEES, ANNUAL MEMBERSHIP FEES, CART PATH FUND, AND TWILIGHT FEES BY ESTABLISHING A NEW FEE SCHEDULE EFFECTIVE MAY 1, 2014.

Commissioner Kerr made the motion to accept proposed Ordinance No. 04.07.14A. Commissioner Alonzo seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

ITEM 7 - Consider contribution to the AXM Steering Committee to cover City's share of the cost for their involvement in water/ wastewater utilities proceedings before the Public Utility Commission of Texas (PUCT).

Mayor Josserand called upon City Manager Hanna to comment on this item. City Manager Hanna stated a group of Panhandle cities has hired a legal firm to watch over the PUCT to give municipalities a voice in proposed rate structures.

Commissioner Metcalf made the motion to authorize our contribution of \$1,000.00. Commissioner Bunch seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

ITEM 8 - Consider approval of re-appointments to the City's Board of Electrical Examiners.

Commissioner Cumpston made the motion to re-appoint Eddie Ambold and Raul Pesina to serve another four-year term on the City's Board of Electrical Examiners. Commissioner Metcalf seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

ITEM 9 - Consider exercising option to extend depository agreement for twelve months.

Commissioner Alonzo made the motion to exercise the option to extend the depository agreement with First Financial Bank for another year. Commissioner Cumpston seconded the motion and it passed with the unanimous vote of the Commission.

Mayor Josserand went into Executive Session at 6:55 p.m. (pursuant to Government Code §551.072) noting all members were present.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ITEM 10 - Discuss acquisition of water rights. (Provided by Title 5, Chapter 551 Government Code §551.072 Deliberations Regarding Real Property)

Mayor Josserand ended the Executive Session at 8:00 p.m. noting no action was taken on this item.

REGULAR HEARINGS:

ITEM 11 - Announcements and comments from Mayor and City Commissioners.

Mayor Josserand asked the Commission to think seriously and pray about the issue discussed in executive session and asked that they be ready at the next meeting with a decision on what they want or do not want to do.

ITEM 12 - Announcements and comments from City Staff.

There were no comments from City Staff.

ITEM 13 - Public Comments.

There were no public comments.

There being no further business before the Commission, the meeting was adjourned at 8:01 p.m.

APPROVED:


ROBERT D. JOSSERAND, MAYOR
CITY OF HEREFORD, TEXAS

ATTEST:


SUZANNE FINCH, CITY SECRETARY