

CITY OF OVILLA MINUTES
Monday 26 July 2010
Regular City Council Meeting
105 S. Cockrell Hill Road, Ovilla, TX 75154

Mayor Pro-Tem Leverentz (in the absence of Mayor Vansyckle) called the Regular Council Meeting of the Ovilla City Council to order at 7:07 P.M. The following City Council Members were present:

Michael Dickey	Council Member, Place 2
James Wade	Council Member, Place 3
Doug Hunt	Council Member, Place 4
Richard Dormier	Council Member, Place 5

Absent: Bill Vansyckle Mayor

Noted members were present, thus constituting a quorum.
City Administrator Randy Whiteman and various department-head staff members were also present.

Place 4, Hunt gave the Invocation.
Place 2, Dickey led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Comments, Presentations and Reports and Appointments

Mayor Pro-Tem Leverentz advised all in attendance that Mayor Vansyckle would be absent and that he would chair the meeting.

• **Citizen Comments**

1. Mr. Phil Lynch: Representative for the Ellis County Appraisal District shared the 2010 Protest Season Statistics.
2. Ms Dani Muckleroy advised she wanted to wait and speak during Item 3, Heritage Day.

DEPARTMENTAL REPORTS:

- ◆ Finance Department Accountant Sharon Jungman
 - Financials as of June 30, 2010
- Ad Valorem collections were at 99.5 percent. The Reserve Fund balance calculations were down due to mid-year budget revisions.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- ◆ Minutes of the May 24, 2010 Regular Council Meeting
- ◆ Minutes of the June 09, 2010 Special Council Meeting
- ◆ Minutes of the June 14, 2010 Regular Council Meeting
- ◆ Minutes of the June 23, 2010 Special Council Meeting
- ◆ Quarterly Investment Report

Place 4, Hunt made a motion to approve the consent items as presented. Place 2, Dickey seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION:

ITEM 1. Discussion/Action – Review and accept the rate analysis following a water and wastewater study, per the engineering service agreement by and between the City of Ovilla and Birkhoff, Hendricks & Carter, L.L.P.

John Birkhoff and Andrew Mata gave a presentation with charts, explaining the rate study.

Place 4 Hunt made a motion that Council approve and accept the rate analysis following the water and wastewater study, per the engineering service agreement by and between the City of Ovilla and Birkhoff, Hendricks & Carter, L. L. P. Place 2 Dickey seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 2. Discussion/Action – Consider a proposed written road agreement with Ellis County to repair Westmoreland and Red Oak Creek Roads.

Place 5 Dormier questioned the accuracy of the beginning and ending points for resurfacing on Red Oak Creek Road. Council agreed it was 2640 ft. on Red Oak Creek (starting at Mr. Johnston's residence of 1190 block of Red Oak Creek and ending 2640 ft. west) and 3770 ft. of Westmoreland.

Place 5 Dormier made a motion that Council approve the road agreement with Ellis County as written to repair 3770 ft. of Westmoreland Road and 2640 ft. of Red Oak Creek Road, with the exception to clarify the beginning point of Red Oak Creek, (Beginning at Mr. Johnston's residence of 1190 block of Red Oak Creek Road and continue west 2640 ft) for a contract amount of \$101,104.93, with a three-year warranty, to be made in three installments. Place 4 Hunt seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

ITEM 3. Discussion Only – Review and discuss upcoming Heritage Day and Council progress regarding their assignments to support in the success of Heritage Day.

Mayor Pro-Tem Leverentz allowed Ms Dani Muckleroy to speak to Council by voicing her concerns of spending city funds on the Heritage Day event, when so many budget revisions and cuts had been made.

Place 3 Wade advised that the benediction was assigned to a local pastor, a DJ was hired and that a sound system was provided.

Place 5 Dormier noted that the Methodist Church was providing some of the entertainment.

City Accountant Sharon Jungman advised the cost of the tent was \$1250.

Place 4 Hunt created a program for sponsor donations and had already secured five sponsors to date. He also suggested the purchase of banners to be placed around the city.

VOTE: No Action. This was a discussion item only.

ITEM 4. Discussion Only – Discuss and consider options for citywide mosquito control.

Place 2 Dickey voiced concerns and asked staff to research options to aid in this public nuisance. Randy Whiteman advised that staff could send out public notices, possibly in the next newsletter to teach public awareness and practices to help minimize the irritant. There are

federal laws governing pesticides and city spraying would require a licensed applicator. Ovilla did not budget for this and currently does not have the funds.

VOTE: No Action. This was a discussion item only.

ITEM 5. Discussion Only – Discuss and review of the proposed employee handbook.

The proposed book had already received some redlined corrections. It is still pending feedback from the department heads. Mayor Pro-Tem Leverentz suggested allowing the department heads their continued review through the end of the month. All recommendations needed to be submitted to proper staff personnel for possible revisions by then. The goal was to have the handbook prepared for action in the upcoming meetings.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

TABLED ITEM – May 24, 2010

Discussion/Action – Consider letter of proposal from Schrickel, Rollins & Associates to conduct a feasibility study for the proposed Public Works Facility.

THE TABLED ITEM WAS NOT ADDRESSED.

Council’s Request for Consideration of Future Agenda Items

Place 5, Dormier:	Impact Fees for Capital Improvement Projects
Place 4, Hunt:	None.
Place 3, Wade:	None.
Mayor:	Absent.
Place 2, Dickey:	None.
Mayor Pro-Tem Leverentz:	None.

Adjournment

Place 3, Wade made a motion to adjourn the meeting of July 26, 2010, at 8:36 PM. Place 2, Dickey seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.

Bill Vansyckle, Mayor

ATTEST:

Pamela Higgins, City Secretary

Approved: November 08, 2010