

CITY OF OVILLA MINUTES

Monday, September 24, 2012

Regular City Council Meeting

105 S. Cockrell Hill Road, Ovilla, TX 75154

Mayor Leverentz called the Regular Council Meeting of the Ovilla City Council to order at 7:00 P.M. The following City Council Members were present:

Ralph Hall	Council Member Place 1
Larry Stevenson	Council Member Place 2
David Griffin	Council Member Place 3
Richard Dormier	Council Member Place 5/Mayor Pro-Tem

Absent: Doug Hunt Council Member Place 4

Mayor Leverentz noted present members thus constituting a quorum. City Administrator Randy Whiteman, various department-heads and staff were also present. Mayor Leverentz advised of the passing of PL4 Hunt's father and asked that everyone remember his family in their prayers.

PL2 Stevenson gave the Invocation

Mayor ProTem Dormier led the recitation of the Pledge of Allegiance

COMMENTS, PRESENTATIONS, REPORTS AND/OR APPOINTMENTS

◆ Citizens Comments / Citizens Forum:

1. Ms Rachel Huber, Ovilla Service League, offered a "thank you" to all volunteers and specifically PL4 Hunt for his dedication to another successful Heritage Day.
2. Mr. Phil Lynch offered his "thank you" to the Ovilla Service League for their tireless role working Heritage Day, as well as PL4 Hunt and all that participated. The parade was excellent. This Heritage Day event was one of Ovilla's best.
3. Mr. Phil Lynch commended the public work crews, stating they were courteous and professional workers during Heritage Day.

◆ Department Activity Reports / Discussion

- Finance Department Accountant S. Jungman
 - A brief review was given of the monthly financials.
- Public Works Department PW Director Brad Piland
 - Monthly Report – Director Piland reported updates of the Capital Improvement Projects Meeting, held just prior to the evening's Council Meeting.
- Administration City Administrator Randy Whiteman
 - CA Randy Whiteman reported that Ovilla would be hosting the upcoming NECCC meeting on October 18.
- Committees
 - It was echoed amongst Council and those present of the outstanding efforts made by PL4 Hunt in the planning and successful outcome of Heritage Day.

CONSENT ITEMS:

- Minutes of the August 13, 2012 Council Meeting

PL2 Stevenson made a motion to approve the consent item as presented.

PL3 Griffin seconded the motion.

Mayor Leverentz asked for a record vote by announcement of AYE or NAY.

Present Council announced AYE in favor. No oppositions, no abstentions.

PL4 Hunt was noted absent.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously: 4-0, 1 absent.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public Hearing and Discussion of an ordinance to adopt and approve the Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

Mayor Leverentz opened the Public Hearing at 7:15 p.m., and asked for those speaking in support the proposed FY2012-2013 Budget to come forward:

No one spoke in support.

Mayor Leverentz asked for those speaking in opposition of the proposed FY2012-2013 Budget to come forward:

No one spoke in opposition.

Mayor Leverentz closed the Public Hearing at 7:17 p.m.

REGULAR AGENDA

ITEM 1. Discussion/Action – Consider Adoption of Ordinance 2012-015 Adopting and Approving the City of Ovilla Proposed Budget for the Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

PL1 Hall remarked that the proposed budget looked good. All Council agreed.

PL3 Griffin made a motion that the Council approves and adopts Ordinance 2012-015, setting the budget and making appropriations for the support of the city government of the City of Ovilla for the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 as presented. PL2 Stevenson seconded the motion.

Mayor Leverentz asked for a record vote by announcement of AYE or NAY.

Mayor Pro Tem Dormier AYE PL3 Griffin AYE

Place 1 Hall AYE PL2 Stevenson AYE

Present Council announced AYE in favor. No oppositions, no abstentions.

PL4 Hunt was noted absent.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously: 4-0, 1 absent.

ITEM 2. Discussion/Action – Consider Adoption of Ordinance 2012-016 Approving the Tax Rate for the Fiscal Year 2012-2013.

During the August 22, 2012 Special Council Meeting and Budget workshop, Council took a record vote for the proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2012-2013. Council proposed a recommended I & S Rate and an Effective M & O Rate for a combined (.6675) tax rate.

The ordinance presented adopted the tax rate for FY2012-2013:

M&O	0.4975 cents per \$100.00 of valuation
Debt Service	0.1700 cents per \$100.00 of valuation
Total	0.6675 cents per \$100.00 of valuation

PL1 Hall made a motion that Council approves the property taxes for the FY2012-2013 by the adoption of a tax rate of 0.4975 cents per \$100 of valuation for maintenance and operations, and 0.1700 cents per \$100 of valuation for debt service, for a total tax rate of 0.6675 cents per valuation by the approval and adoption of Ordinance 2012-016. PL2 Stevenson seconded the motion.

Mayor Leverentz asked for a record vote by announcement of AYE or NAY.

Mayor Pro-Tem Dormier **AYE** **Place 2 Stevenson** **AYE**
Place 1 Hall **AYE** **Place 3 Griffin** **AYE**

All present Council announced AYE. No oppositions, no abstentions.

PL4 Hunt was noted absent.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously: 4-0, 1 absent.

ITEM 3. Discussion/Action – Consider Adoption of Ordinance 2012-017 Ratifying the Budget for the 2012-2013 Tax Year that will raise more revenue than in the previous year and setting the fee schedule.

PL3 Griffin made a motion that the Council approves and adopts Ordinance 2012-017 ratifying the budget and setting the fee schedule for the 2012-2013 tax year. PL1 Hall seconded the motion.

Mayor Leverentz asked for a record vote by announcement of AYE or NAY.

All present Council announced AYE. No oppositions, no abstentions.

PL4 Hunt was noted absent.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously: 4-0, 1 absent.

ITEM 4. Discussion/Action – Consider and Approve the FY2012-2013 City Calendar and scheduled meetings of the Ovilla City Council.

The display of Council meetings had only one meeting scheduled for October 2012, November 2012 and December 2012. Mayor ProTem Dormier voiced concern limiting one meeting three months consecutively and recommended Council meet twice in October. Staff acknowledged the change and would make the noted correction.

Mayor ProTem Dormier made a motion that Council approves the Fiscal Year 2012-2013 City Calendar and scheduled meetings date as discussed. PL2 Stevenson seconded the motion.

Mayor Leverentz asked for a record vote by announcement of AYE or NAY.

All present Council announced AYE. No oppositions, no abstentions.

PL4 Hunt was noted absent.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously: 4-0, 1 absent.

ITEM 5. Discussion/Action – Consider Adoption of Ordinance 2012-018 Approving the Official City Annexation Boundary Map of the City of Ovilla.

City Administrator Randy Whiteman explained the presented map did not include the ETJ (extra territorial-jurisdiction) and would come back with a map including the ETJ in Oak Leaf and Waxahachie.

Mayor ProTem Dormier made the motion that Council approves Ordinance 2012-018 adopting the City of Ovilla Official Boundary Annexation Map. PL2 Stevenson seconded the motion.

Mayor Leverentz asked for a record vote by announcement of AYE or NAY.

All present Council announced AYE. No oppositions, no abstentions.

PL4 Hunt was noted absent.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously: 4-0, 1 absent.

ITEM 6. Discussion/Action – Consider redesign and purchase of official “Welcome to Ovilla” signs to be placed at strategic entries to Ovilla.

Mayor Leverentz suggested placing at least 10 signs in strategic areas of Ovilla. PL1 Hall recommended waiting to research for an esthetically pleasing look; waiting for a new logo and possibly price stone/monuments for placement in areas like 664/Main Street and Cockrell Hill Road. City Administrator advised that regarding Cockrell Hill, any sign/monument would be placed on private property. Council recommended that City Administrator Randy Whiteman inquire with the Economic Development Corporation and Municipal Development District Boards for financial assistance, if allowed.

Council took no action on this item.

Mayor Leverentz and Council discussed future procedures of requested items for placement on the agenda. Any recommended agenda item needed to be sent to the city secretary by October 17 for consideration to be placed on the October 22 Council Meeting agenda. PL1 Hall requested that a caption, “Requests for Future Agenda Items” be placed back on the agenda.

Additionally, the city administrator and city secretary needed to work on their goals for the new fiscal year to review with Council at a later meeting. Council, too, would present goals for Randy and Pam.

Adjournment

PL2 Stevenson made a motion to adjourn the meeting of September 24, 2012 at 7:53 p.m.

Mayor ProTem Dormier seconded the motion.

VOTE: The motion carried unanimously.


Thomas Leverentz, Mayor

ATTEST:


Pamela Woodall, City Secretary

Approved October 22, 2012