

**Minutes
Flatonia City Council
Special Meeting
March 4, 2015**

Present:

Mayor	Bryan Milson
Councilpersons	Mark Eversole Ed Hulsey Dennis Geesaman Ginny Sears Catherine Steinhauser
City Staff	Scott Dixon - City Manager Melissa Brunner – City Secretary Mike Noak – Police Chief Gregory Robinson – Code Compliance Officer Jack Pavlas – Utility Director

Opening Agenda

Mayor Milson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
City Manager Scott Dixon led the invocation
Mayor Milson led the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Pledge to the Texas Flag.

Reports

February 2015 Police Activity Report and February 2015 Code Compliance Activity Report were presented to Council in their agenda packets by Chief Noak. City Manager Dixon reported to Council that this was Law Enforcement Week. Dixon further commended Lieutenant Troy Rudloff on his assistance in the Cal Maine electrocution accident.

City Secretary Brunner reported to Council that the last day to file for a place on the Flatonia Municipal Election ballot was February 27, 2015. She reported that the incumbents were the only people to file for a place on the ballot, as such, there is an action item further on the agenda to cancel the May 9, 2015 Flatonia Municipal Election.

City Manager Dixon reported that the Utility Deposit Refunds were being processed and the first checks should be going out shortly. He further reported on the LCRA Steps Forward Day, City Update newsletter to go in utility bills, Budgeted Revenues, Building Inspection Fees, HB 1418, Tech Sector Jobs, Water Line Projects, I-10 Annual Meeting,

Rotary Golf Tournament, City Hall Remodel, SB 324 & HB 645 street projects and a Regional Utility Collaboration. City Manager Dixon also invited Greg Hallmark and Lisa Pomeroy from Bureau Veritas to speak concerning the services that Bureau Veritas provides.

Public Hearing – opened at 6:17 pm

PH3-2015.1 Public hearing on the request from GROH Enterprises LLC for a variance to reduce the front yard setback from twenty-five (25) feet to zero (0) feet, the street side yard setback from twenty-five (25) feet to six (6) feet, and an exemption from the Vision Clearance requirement for the following property: PID 27669, 317 S Penn St. This request has been submitted in order to rebuild front and rear porches.

Closed at 6:18 pm

Consent Agenda

Ed Hulseley motioned to approve the minutes of the February 10, 2015 Regular Meeting. Catherine Steinhauser seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Deliberation Agenda

- 3-2015.1. Mark Eversole motioned to adopt the ordinance canceling the May 9, 2015 Flatonia General Election due to lack of a contested race. Ed Hulseley seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2015.2. Catherine Steinhauser motioned to adopt the ordinance closing the undeveloped alleyway running east and west between N. Hudson St. and N. Faires St. as requested by Alfred Dierschke. Ginny Sears seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2015.3. Catherine Steinhauser motioned to adopt the ordinance reducing the N. Faires St. and N. Hudson St. rights-of-way from 80 feet to 60 feet in the block that lies between W 7th St. and W 9th St. as requested by Alfred Dierschke. Ed Hulseley seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2015.4. Dennis Geesaman motioned to adopt the ordinance modifying the building permit and related fees with the exception of a \$25 fee category for single family residential projects from \$0.00 to \$2,500.00. Catherine Steinhauser seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2015.5. Dennis Geesaman motioned to adopt the resolution in support of House Bill 1418 regarding voluntary annexation in General Law cities. Catherine Steinhauser seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2015.6. Catherine Steinhauser motioned to appropriate fund balance for the purpose of street improvements in an amount not to exceed \$175,000. Ed Hulseley seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2015.7. Ed Hulseley motioned to appropriate fund balance for the purpose of water line improvements not to exceed \$38,000. Catherine Steinhauser seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried. This is to replace the old asbestos pipes

that are currently under SH95 between SH 90 and the southern city limits. TXDOT is planning on resurfacing that area and there is concern that the old lines might be damaged or fail.

- 3-2015.8. Ed Hulsey motioned to adopt the ordinance prohibiting the use of hydraulic brakes by tractor trailers within the city limits. Catherine Steinhauser seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Executive Session – opened at 7:41 pm

- ES3-2015.1 As authorized by Texas Government Code Sec. 551.087 deliberation regarding economic development negotiations:

To discuss extending certain economic incentives for the purposes of facilitating development within the City Limits of Flatonia, Texas

- ES3-2015.2 As authorized by Texas Government Code Sec. 551.086 deliberation regarding competitive electric matters:

Discuss market performance of generation assets and anticipated rate changes due to market fluctuations in fuel costs

Closed at 8:03 pm

Deliberation Agenda

- 3-2015.9. Catherine Steinhauser motioned to authorize staff to waive the fees as discussed in executive session. Dennis Geesaman seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2015.10. No action was taken on the anticipated rate changes due to market fluctuations in fuel costs.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:05 p.m.

Approved this 14th day of April, 2015



Signed
Bryan Milson
Bryan Milson
Mayor

Attest
Melissa Brunner
Melissa Brunner, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary