# Minutes Flatonia City Council Regular Meeting December 10, 2013

## **Present:**

Mayor

Scott Mica

Mayor Pro Tem

Bryan Milson

**Councilpersons** 

Matt Freytag Tyler Mica

Catherine Steinhauser Dennis Geesaman

**City Staff** 

Scott Dixon - City Manager

Melissa Brunner – City Secretary

Mike Noak – Police Chief Jack Pavlas – Utility Director Angela Beck – City Attorney

Gregory Robinson - Code Compliance Officer

# **Opening Agenda**

Mayor Mica called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. Code Compliance Officer Robinson gave the invocation. Mayor Mica led the Pledge of Allegiance.

There were no citizens who wished to speak to the Council at this time.

#### Reports

Police Chief Mike Noak presented the Activity Report for November of 2013.

AMTRAK Update – Kirk Pate reported that the CARTS organization will begin preliminary work on feasibility studies on developing a transportation facility in the downtown Flatonia area. Pate further reported that Flatonia Special Projects has formed a citizen's advisory council whose primary responsibility is to provide advice and insight from a citizen's perspective on the development of said transportation facility.

City Manager Scott Dixon presented the construction schedule for the new Police/Fire Station and discussed that the planned completion will probably be March – April of 2014. Dixon further reported that the foundation work at the Stein building is being held up by weather and the sidewalks are expected to be completed in that area soon. Dixon also reported that the fundraising for the Fire Department building is going very well.

The donations are up to \$26,000. The sale of the bricks is slower than expected but will be worked on harder after the holidays.

# Public Hearing – opened at 6:12 pm

PH12-2013.1 Public hearing on the request from the Flatonia Baptist Church on discussion and appropriate action for recommendations for utilization of the alley behind PID 27723, 225 E 6th St., City Blk. 49, Lot 26-34, located on the northwest corner of S Converse St. and E 6th St. Discussion may include, but not limited to, a use and maintenance agreement for the alley behind their structures from S Converse St. to S Market St. Such action is necessary in order for them to access a new covered entrance connecting the Church with the Fellowship Center.

closed at 6:15 pm

## **Consent Agenda**

Bryan Milson motioned to approve the consent agenda, including the minutes of the November 12, 2013 Regular Meeting and the November 2013 Financial Report. Dennis Geesaman seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

## **Deliberation Agenda**

- 12-2013.1. Dennis Geesaman motioned to allow Flatonia Baptist Church to improve the alley behind PID 27723 from Converse St. to Market St. at their expense to city standards. Tyler Mica seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-2013.2. Bryan Milson motioned to adopt the ordinance vacating certain portions of 2<sup>nd</sup> St, 3<sup>rd</sup> Street and Tom Green St. within and around the Florus Subdivision. Catherine Steinhauser seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-2013.3. Catherine Steinhauser motioned to accept the vacation of the Florus Subdivision Plat. Bryan Milson seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-2013.4. Bryan Milson motioned to appoint Julia Webster to serve on the Flatonia Housing Authority Slate of Commissioners with a term beginning December 10, 2013 and lasting until February 12, 2015. Catherine Steinhauser seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

### **Discussion Items**

- 1. Council discussed the possibility of actively seeking to lease the city streets to an oil company.
- 2. Scott Dixon reported that the Czech Heritage Group is not interested in the house located at the 7 acre park. He asked for suggestions as to any groups that might be interested. Dixon asked for direction as to how to go from here. He was instructed to put it in the paper.
- 3. Dixon reported on fiscal and budgetary policies as presented to Council. They will be brought back to Council for further discussion and possible adoption.

4. Dixon reported on the Capital Improvement Plan and the items on the plan for FY 2013-14. Drew Whitington with Government Capital Corporation presented some ideas for how to fund some of the items that are on the capital improvement plan for replacement or maintenance.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:30 p.m.

Approved this 14th day of January, 2014

Signed \_

Scott Mica Mayor Attest

Melissa Brunner, TRMC, CMC City Secretary

