

**Minutes
Flatonia City Council
Regular Meeting
January 12, 2010**

Present:

Mayor	Jeff M. Hairgrove
Councilpersons	Len Waska Jan Lahodny Kathy Collins Teri Wilks Mark Eversole
City Staff	Kenneth Knight – City Manager Cheryl Sedlar – Administrative Assistant Greg Robinson – Code Compliance Officer Mike Noak – Police Chief

Opening Agenda

Call to Order	Mayor Hairgrove called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m.
Invocation and Pledge	Councilman Collins led the invocation and Mayor Hairgrove led the pledge of allegiance.

Reports

Council Members' Activity Reports

Councilperson Eversole reported that Alan Weiss had made a donation to the Rest Haven Cemetery.

Kathy Collins reported that the Parks Committee had five initiatives started this year. Not all will be finished by the end of the year, but they are off to a good start.

Len Waska reported that Flatonia was leading the county in reporting on households. Every house in town has been located so that everyone can be counted. There is a \$2500 loss for every person not counted. Waska asked if it would be possible to place an insert in the utility bills. Mayor Hairgrove said that City Manager Knight would get with the Utility Billing Secretary to get those in with the bills.

Mayor's Activity Report

Mayor Hairgrove announced the meetings for January
Parks Meeting – 13th @ 5:30 in Council Chambers

2020 Comprehensive Plan Steering Committee –
Jan 19th at 6:00 in Council Chambers
Economic Development – 27th @ 6:00 in Council
Chambers
Council Meeting – next one will be on February 9th

Hairgrove also reported that packets were available in City Hall and on the website for candidates interested in filing for a place on the ballot for the May 8, 2010 Flatonia Municipal Election. Filing can begin on Monday, February 8th. Two council seats and the mayor seat are up for election this year. The last day for filing is March 8th.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Kenneth Knight reported that on December 16th, Almega Cable utility services were disconnected. He does not recommend the service to be transferred to RBS (the “new” cable company) as the pole rental has not been paid for two years and therefore they owe approximately \$4200 and because RBS is not licensed in the state of Texas.

Knight also reported that the internal refurbishing was complete on the downtown water tower. He is accepting quotes for the re-stenciling. He also reported that TCEQ may require a new downspout to be put on it and if s, that will need to be budgeted in the next budget year.

Police Chief's Report

Chief Noak presented his December 2009 activity report. Noak also reported that Lt. Troy Rudloff had returned to work.

Economic Development Report

Bob Duncan, chair of the Economic Development Commission, reported that there had been a change in directors. Tammy Parish and Dennis Geesaman had resigned from the Commission. The welcome signs are up and look good. Duncan further reported that the Business Incentive Plan was in effect and available and that there had been a notice in the *Flatonia Argus* giving info on it. Duncan also reported that the 2010 goal for the Commission is to assemble business packages for a professional look to attract business to the area.

Fire Marshall Report

Gregory Robinson reported that the fourth quarter donations funds of \$2354.85 had been deposited, bringing the balance in the account to \$17,106.35.

Consent Agenda

Kathy Collins motioned to adopt the consent agenda, including the minutes of the December 8, 2009 Regular Meeting, the December 2009 Financial Report and Resolution 2010.1.1 authorizing signatories for the Community Development Block Grant. Teri Wilks seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Deliberation Agenda

- 1-2010.1 No action was taken on the FY 2008-9 Audit.
- 1-2010.2 No action was taken on the Business Retention and Expansion Plan Survey Summary as presented by the Flatonia Economic Development Commission.
- 1-2010.3 Kathy Collins motioned to appoint Don Mikulanka to a one year term on the Flatonia Economic Development Commission. Mark Eversole seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 1-2010.4 Kathy Collins motioned to authorize Police Chief Mike Noak to hire a part time officer for the period of nine months to assist in the transition of Lt. Rudloff from Worker's Compensation back to full time. Len Waska seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 1-2010.5 Len Waska motioned to ratify the election of David Vire as Fire Chief for the Flatonia Volunteer Fire Department. Mark Eversole seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:47 p.m.



Signed
Jeff M. Hairgrove
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Mayor

Attest
Melissa Brunner
Melissa Brunner, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

Approved this 9th day of February 2010

