

**Minutes
Flatonia City Council
Special Meeting
March 18, 2014**

Present:

Mayor Pro Tem Bryan Milson

Councilpersons

Matt Freytag
Catherine Steinhauser
Dennis Geesaman

City Staff

Scott Dixon - City Manager
Melissa Brunner – City Secretary
Angela Beck – City Attorney
Mike Noak – Police Chief
Gregory Robinson – Code Compliance Officer

Opening Agenda

Mayor Pro tem Milson called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Code Compliance Officer Gregg Robinson led the invocation
Mayor Pro Tem Milson led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Public Hearing – opened at 6:05 pm – closed at 6:25 pm

PH3-2014.1 Public hearing on the request from Dipak Patel, Flatonia Hospitality LLC for a variance to reduce the parking setbacks from ten (10) feet to zero (0) feet for the following property: PID 27864, 310A & 310B, E IH-10 Frontage Rd. This is the site for the motel being built by Flatonia Hospitality LLC. This request has been submitted in order to construct the required number of parking spaces.

There was no public participation on this item

PH3-2014.2 Public hearing on the request from Robert & Donna Bizzell for a variance to reduce the 3rd Street side yard setback from twenty-five (25) feet to eight (8) feet for the following property: PID 58720, 604 S Hudson St., southwest corner Hudson St. & 3rd St. This request has been submitted in order to construct a carport over the existing driveway on the north side of the garage.

Bob Bizzell asked Council to deny the request

Reports

Chief Noak asked for questions or comments on the February Activity Report as presented to Council in their packets.

City Secretary Brunner notified Council that there were no contested races for the City of Flatonia Special or Regular Elections that would have been held on May 10, 2014. The candidates who will be sworn in at the May Council Meeting are: Mayor, Bryan Milson; Councilperson, Mark Eversole; Councilperson Ed Hulsey and for a one year term, Councilperson Ginny Sears.

City Manager Dixon spoke on the status of the downtown trails, the construction of the joint Police Department and Fire Department building and the visit from the Union Pacific representatives.

Opening of Bids

City Manager Dixon and Mayor Pro Tem Milson opened the bids for the sale of the structure located at 1021 E US Hwy 90, Flatonia, TX 78941.

Consent Agenda

Dennis Geesaman motioned to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2014 Special Meeting as presented. Bryan Milson seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Deliberation Agenda

- 3-2014.1. Dennis Geesaman motioned to approve the resolution establishing a Municipal Maintenance Agreement between the City of Flatonia and the Texas Department of Transportation and authorizing City Manager Scott Dixon to sign said agreements. Bryan Milson seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2014.2. Cathy Steinhauser motioned to approve the request from Dipak Patel, Flatonia Hospitality LLC for a variance to reduce the parking setbacks from ten (10) feet to zero (0) feet for the following property; PID 27864, 310 A and 310B E IH-10 Frontage Rd. Matt Freytag seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2014.3. Bryan Milson motioned to not approve the request from Robert and Donna Bizzell for a variance to reduce the 3rd Street side yard setback from twenty-five (25) feet to eight (8) feet for the following property; 604 S Hudson St. Matt Freytag seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- Council asked City Manager Dixon and City Attorney to review the setback ordinances.
- 3-2014.4. Dennis Geesaman motioned to accept the bid from Chris Kubesch in the amount of \$552 for the structure (railroad house) located at 1021 E US Hwy 90 in

Flatonia, Texas. Catherine Steinhauser seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

- 3-2014.5. Matt Freytag motioned to accept the certification of unopposed candidates and adopt the ordinance cancelling both the General Election and Special Election for the City of Flatonia that would have been held on May 10, 2014 and declaring Bryan Milson elected as mayor, Mark Eversole and Ed Hulsey elected as councilmembers to serve two year terms and Ginny Sears elected as councilperson to serve a one year term. Catherine Steinhauser seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Executive Session – opened at 7:05 pm

- ES3-2014.1 As authorized by Texas Government Code Sec. 551.071 consultation with attorney:

To seek advice regarding leases of City property for oil and gas production, including amendments to prior leases

- ES3-2014.2 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

- ES3-2014.3 As Authorized by Texas Government Code Sec. 551.074 (Personnel Matters) deliberations about an employee of the governmental body:

Evaluation of City Manager

Executive Session closed at 7:28 pm

Deliberation Agenda – reopened at 7:29 pm

- 3-2014.6. Dennis Geesaman motioned to authorize City Attorney Beck to negotiate the amendment to the lease with Sabine Energy originally dated June 21, 2012, with additional cash considerations as discussed in executive session. Bryan Milson seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2014.7. Dennis Geesaman motioned to authorize the city manager to draw up a contract with the terms discussed in executive session in regards to economic development incentives for the purposed of facilitating development within the city limits of Flatonia, Texas. Bryan Milson seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2014.8. No action was taken on the evaluation of the City Manager.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:34 p.m.

Approved this 20th day of May, 2014

Signed



Bryan Milson
Mayor Pro Tem

Attest



Melissa Brunner, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

