

**Minutes
Flatonia City Council
Regular Meeting
December 14, 2010**

Present:

Mayor	Scott Mica
Mayor Pro Tem	Bryan Milson
Councilpersons	Jan Lahodny Kathy Collins Teri Wilks Tyler Mica
City Staff	Kenneth Knight – City Manager Melissa Brunner – City Secretary Jack Pavlas – Utility Director Mike Noak – Police Chief Angela Beck – City Attorney Gregory Robinson – Code Compliance Officer

Opening Agenda

Call to Order	Mayor Mica called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Invocation and Pledge	Code Compliance Officer Robinson led the invocation and Mayor Mica led the pledge.
Citizen's Participation	Alan Weiss questioned the policy by which The Outhouse Company is utilizing the City of Flatonia's wastewater treatment plant.

Reports

Council Members' Reports	Kathy Collins reported that Mark Eversole, President of the Flatonia Amtrak Task Force, and his team have been invited to Amtrak's Texas Eagle Lines meeting in San Antonio in February. Amtrak officials will be visiting Flatonia the day before the meeting. Collins reported that she'd spoken to Bill Glavin, the Rail Division Head of Texas Department of Transportation to let him know of the progress on this project. Mr. Glavin will be speaking at the Texas Rail Advocacy Group symposium that she will be attending. Collins further reported that the Capital Area Transportation System is seeking grant funding for the depot project on the City's behalf and they are expecting the estimates to
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come on the cost for the building shortly. There will be another meeting with CARTS in January.

Councilman Milson reported that there had been two work days at Central Park. The gazebo is almost complete and the block building had been emptied and painted.

Police Chief's Report

Chief Noak presented the November 2010 Police Report.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Knight reported that the City had received a notice to proceed on the arsenic project from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality. The parts have been ordered by Layne and construction should begin in January. This will hopefully be completed during the first quarter. Staff is hopeful that the testing will then be complete by the end of the second quarter of this year.

Knight also reported that the Notice to Proceed had been received on the Downtown Trails Grant.

Knight further reported that the fences now need to go up and the enclosures completed at the new warehouse buildings.

Knight lastly reported that Kent Milson will be working with him on the 2020 Comprehensive Plan and he is hopeful to have a draft to present to Council at the February 2011 meeting.

Consent Agenda

Kathy Collins motioned to accept the Consent Agenda, including the minutes of the November 9, 2010 regular meeting and the November 2010 financial. Bryan Milson seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Executive Session – began at 6:12 p.m.

ES11-2010.1 As authorized by Texas Government Code 551.071 – consultation with attorney

City Attorney Beck discussed a possible interlocal agreement with Fayette County, Schulenburg and La Grange to create a Narcotics Unit in Fayette County.

City Attorney Beck gave an update on the Wood appeal to the Wood v. City of Flatonia verdict

Ended at 6:30 p.m

Deliberation Agenda

- 12-2010.1 No action was taken on approving and Interlocal Cooperation Contract in relation to a Fayette County Narcotics Unit.
- 12-2010.2 No action was taken on the Wood appeal to the Wood v. City of Flatonia verdict.
- 12-2010.3 Bryan Milson motioned to ratify the election of David Vire as Chief of the Flatonia Volunteer Fire Department. Kathy Collins seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-2010.4 Bryan Milson motioned to appoint Jan Lahodny to a two year term on the Flatonia Volunteer Fire Department Pension Board. Tyler Mica seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-2010.5 Kathy Collins motioned to authorize the city manager to get quotes on the treatment and repair of the American Legion building, award the job to the lowest quote(s), and utilize funds from the oil/gas lease to pay for said treatment and repairs. Teri Wilks seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-2010.6 Kathy Collins motioned to accept the contracts with the Flatonia Chamber of Commerce, the EA Arnim Museum and Archives and Flatonia Special Projects, Inc. for use of the City's hotel occupancy tax revenues. Bryan Milson seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-2010.7 Bryan Milson motioned to adopt the ordinance amending the fee schedule in regards to copies made at City Hall. Kathy Collins seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-2010.8 Bryan Milson motioned to award the bid for the new police department vehicle to Caraway Ford in the amount of \$19,382.75. Teri Wilks seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-2010.9 Bryan Milson motioned to approve the contract with Langford Community Management Services for the administration of the Downtown Trails Grant. Teri Wilks seconded the motion. Tyler Mica opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 6:43 p.m.



Signed


Scott Mica
Mayor

Attest


Melissa Brunner, TRMC, CMC
City Secretary

Approved this 11th day of January 2011