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FULSHEAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES SEPTEMBER 9, 2014

I. CALL TO ORDER

A Special City Council Meeting was called to order by Thomas C. Kuykendall, Jr., Mayor of the City of Fulshear, Texas at 7:01 p.m. in the Irene Stern Community Center located at 6920 Katy Fulshear Road, Fulshear, Texas.

II. QUORUM

A quorum was present.

Council Members Present:

Thomas C. Kuykendall, Jr., Mayor

Stephen Gill, Mayor Pro Tem

J. B. Collins, Jr.

Jeff Roberts

Tajana Mesic

Tricia Krenek

City Staff Present:

D. (Diana) Gordon Offord, City Secretary

Tim Kirwin, Associate City Attorney

Mary Meier, Communication Specialist

Kenny Seymour, Chief of Police

Cheryl Stalinsky, Economic Development Director

Michelle Killebrew, Building Official

Valerie Bryant came in about 7:50 p.m.

Others Present:

Shannon Purcell plus 7 others who did not sign in

III. PUBLIC HEARING

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The City Council of the City of Fulshear will hold its First Public Hearing on a proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2015 in a meeting beginning at 6:30 p.m. on Tuesday, September 2, 2014 and a Second Public Hearing on September 9, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. at the Irene Stern Community Center, 6920 Katy Fulshear Road, Fulshear, Texas 77441. A copy of the proposed tax rate is on file with the City Secretary at City Hall and on the Fulshear website (www.fulsheartexas.gov).

Interested Parties may appear at the Public Hearing and be heard with respect to the proposed tax rate for Fiscal Year 2015.

Second Public Hearing was opened at 7:02 p.m. Mayor Kuykendall stated that the proposed rate would be \$0.178291 per \$100 value. Last years' rate was \$0.197125 per \$100 value. There were no comments from the audience. Second Public Hearing closed at 7:04 p.m.

Mayor Kuykendall stated we do have legal counsel here and in effort to minimize there time here, we will amend our agenda to move to the Executive Session.

A motion was made by Council Member Gill to amend the agenda and move into Executive Session. It was seconded by Council Member Krenek. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Council Members Collins, Gill, Krenek, Mesic, and Roberts

Nays: None

Executive Session

Council entered into Executive Session at 7:10 p.m. and a quorum was present. All city staff and audience were asked to move to the lobby.

Council entered back into Regular Session at 7:35 p.m. and a quorum was present. Mayor asked if there was any action that needed to be taken from Executive Session. Council Member Krenek stated that no action needed to be taken.

Mayor announced that we are moving back to the regular agenda.

IV. WORKSHOP

A. DISCUSSION of the FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 PROPOSED GENERAL FUND BUDGET

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C. J. Snipes, City Administrator, referred to the Council to the City of Fulshear Highlight which was included as part of their proposed budget packet. Mr. Snipes then guided the Council through the proposed budget for next fiscal year allowing opportunity for them to ask questions. This discussion was approximately one and half hour long.

Council Member Roberts stated that before any more positions are added to the city staff, he would like to see a Human Resource Person hired. Council Roberts states that this would be beneficial to the city as well as to the employees. He stated that that person can look after employee needs if they have questions insurance coverage and etc.

Mr. Snipes stated he had spoken to an employee but she opted to go with another department. Council Member Roberts stated he would like for that person to be an independent department head in order to function properly.

Council Mesic stated she noted that a \$100,00 under consulting for this services and thinks the money would be better spent to get a person who is trained with human resource skills already.

B. DISCUSSION of the FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 PROPOSED ENTERPRISE FUND BUDGETS

Mr. Snipes, City Administrator, stated that the Enterprise Fund should be able to support itself without assistance from other revenues. Mr. Snipes suggested that Council look for next year to start increasing the rates in small increments in order to offset higher rates after Cross Creek and Fulbrook on Fulshear Creek are fully built out.

Currently this fund is meeting it operational cost due to the large number of tap fees being requested due to the increase growth. Mr. Snipes states that approximately six years from now most development will be built out.

Mr. Snipes states for the Municipal Court in the future, the city will be going to more dockets per month but mandatory two per month. Also, looking at salaries for the judge and prosecutor as far as other cities. Mr. Snipes stated that we are competitive as far as salaries.

Council Member Krenek asked about having day dockets versus night dockets. Council Member Roberts asked about cases going to trial. Valerie Bryant, Municipal Court Clerk, stated that the trials are done separately.

C. DISCUSSION of THE FISCAL YEAR 2014-2015 PROPOSED CAPITAL PROJECTS BUDGET

Mr. Snipes gave an overview for the security system and information looking at street lighting.

Council Member Mesic reiterated that she would like to see an Human Resource position in place for the 2014-2015 budget.

Council Member Mesic stated if we are only spending 30 or 40 thousand this individual will not put together a policy for you. Council Members spent about thirty minutes discussing the hiring of a human resource person.

Final Comment from C.J. Snipes that he would research a salary for this position and include in the final budget projection for next fiscal year.

V. EXECUTIVE SESSION-CLOSED SESSION IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE GOVERNMENT CODE

SECTION 551.071, CONSULTATION with ATTORNEY; SPECIFICALLY SUB-SECTIONS:

- 1) WHEN the GOVERNMENTAL BODY SEEKS the ADVICE of its ATTORNEY ABOUT:**
 - (A) PENDING or CONTEMPLATED LITIGATION; or**
 - (B) A SETTLEMENT OFFER; or**
- 2) ON a MATTER in which the DUTY of the ATTORNEY to the GOVERNMENTAL BODY under the TEXAS DISCIPLINARY RULES of PROFESSIONAL CONDUCT of the STATE BAR of TEXAS CLEARLY CONFLICTS with this CHAPTER**

ONGOING LITIGATION

____ See Comments above regarding the Executive Session.

VI. RECONVENE AND TAKE ACTION ON ITEMS DISCUSSED IN EXECUTIVE SESSION IF DEEMED APPROPRIATE

No action was taken from Executive Sesssion.

VII. ADJOURNMENT

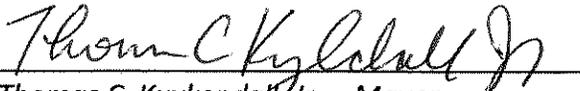
A motion was made by Council Member Mesic to adjourn. It was seconded by Council Member Collins. The motion was carried by the following vote:

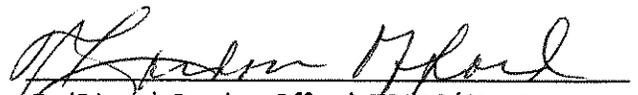
Ayes: Council Members Collins, Gill, Krenek, Mesic, and Roberts

Nays: None

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Mayor Kuykendall announced that we are adjourned.


Thomas C. Kuykendall, Jr. – Mayor


D. (Diana) Gordon Offord, TRMC/City Secretary