



CITY OF FULSHEAR

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FULSHEAR CITY COUNCIL MINUTES September 9, 2010

ITEM 1. CALL TO ORDER

A special meeting of the Fulshear City Council was called to order by Mayor, Thomas C. Kuykendall, Jr. at 6:05 p.m. Thursday, September 9, 2010 in the Fulshear City Hall, 30603 FM 1093, Fulshear, Texas and all citizens were welcomed. A quorum was present.

MEMBERS PRESENT

Thomas C. Kuykendall, Jr. ,Mayor
Stephen Gill
Larry Beustring
J. B. Collins
Laverne Patterson
Jeff Roberts

STAFF PRESENT

J. Grady Randle, City Attorney
Kristina Brashear, City Treasurer
D. Gordon Offord, City Secretary
C. J. Snipes, City Administrator

Cheryl Stalinsky, Economic Development Director

MEMBERS ABSENT

None

OTHERS PRESENT

Shannon Purcell

2. Consider and take action on 2009/2010 Budget Adjustments

A motion was made by Alderman Gill to approve the 2009/2010 budget adjustments as presented. It was seconded by Alderman Beustring. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Beustring, Collins, Gill, Roberts, and Alderwoman Patterson

Nays: None

3. Discussion: Master Fee Schedule (includes fees for building permit, planning, contractors, etc.)



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There will be an ordinance on the next agenda to include increasing the fees on building within the City. The building permit will be based on valuation of the cost (construction of project). The plan review fee will be ½ cost of the building permit for all building applications received effectively immediately. The cost on inspection fees will be one fee- the amount \$60.00 (regardless whether it is for initial inspection or re-inspection).

No action was required.

4. Discussion: Increasing water rates

Mayor Kuykendall stated that the average user of water in old town is estimated at about 6,000 gallons per month and Cross Creek resident uses about 10,000 gallons per month. Water comparison has been viewed by Council from other surrounding cities as well as MUDs. The water and sewer rates will be separated. For both water and sewer for the first 5,000 gallons the base rate will be \$13.00 each. Under the new proposed rates if City of Fulshear increases water rates to 5,000 gallons average usage per month with a rate of \$26.00 per month, that user will benefit with an extra 1,000 gallons per month and only an added cost of \$2.25 per month. The current cost for basic water and sewer is \$23.75 per month (current gallons 4,000). Water use up to 10,000 gallons will be charged an additional \$2.00 per thousand gallons and up from there. The greater users of water will pay more.

No action was required.

5. Discussion: 2010/2011 City of Fulshear Budget

The 2010/2011 budget was discussed in much detail. Mayor Kuykendall discussed the possibilities of FM 1093 being realigned. There have been no major decisions where the lanes will be located. This might impact the City's budget depending on whether the city will have to make a commitment to have FM 1093 redesign if the city decides they would like the lanes located on the south side instead having them all on the north side as the county has designed. Three new schools have been planned for the area. Mayor Kuykendall stated he just wanted to bring this to the Council attention as it could have an impact on the budget. A special workshop will need to be held on FM 1093 road alignment.

Also, there was some discussion for hiring a building inspector for the new budget year. The job has been posted on the city's website, TML (Texas Municipal League) website, and the local newspaper. We have received four applications already.



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For the new budget, Mayor Kuykendall recommends we put in the budget for street repairs on Red Bird, Syms, Harris, and half mile on Bois D' Arc streets. We anticipate the cost to be about \$135,000.00.

It might be considered to initiate a retirement plan for the employees of the City. The contribution would be the 5% match. The City Administrator, C.J. Snipes, will poll staff at the next staff meeting. No raises for city staff. Alderman Gill stated it is important to implement a retirement plan.

Mayor Kuykendall also stated he thought attorney fees would be reduced since the City Administrator has a lot of expertise and can reduced the amount of items that need to be reviewed by the City Attorney.

Ms. Brashear, Finance Director, stated the city will be experiencing a shortfall of approximately \$100,000.00.

Mayor Kuykendall asked if anyone had any other thoughts with regards to the budget. This proposed budget will be put on the next agenda.

No action was required.

6. Discussion and action to propose the 2011 tax rate and announce the meeting to adopt the rate

A motion was made by Alderman Gill to propose the 2011 tax rate remain the same (.205921) and adopt the tax rate on September 21, 2010. It was seconded by Alderman Roberts. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Beustring, Collins, Gill, Roberts, and Alderwoman Patterson
Nays: None

7. Executive Session

551.071 For the purpose of a private consultation with the City's attorney on any or all subjects matters authorized by law.

- 1. Update on litigation, claims against the City.**



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551.074 For the purpose of considering the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment duties, discipline, or dismissal of a public officer or employee.

- 1. Consider hiring and accepting resignations of professional and non-professional personnel.**

******Discussion: Police Personnel and Positions**

Mayor Kuykendall announced that Council would recess into Executive Session at 7:55 p.m. quorum was present.

8. Reconvene into Regular Session and Consider Action, If Any, On Items Discussed During Executive Session

Mayor Kuykendall announced that Council is entered back into regular session at 8:28 p.m. and quorum was present.

A motion was made by Alderman Gill to eliminate the half time position in the Police Department and make it a fulltime position at entry level salary and benefits. It was seconded by Alderman Beustring. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Beustring, Collins, Gill, Roberts, and Alderwoman Patterson

Nays: None

ITEM 10. ADJOURN

A motion was made by Alderman Collins. It was seconded by Alderwoman Patterson. The motion was carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Aldermen Beustring, Collins, Gill, Roberts, and Alderwoman Patterson

Nays: None

Approved: _____

Mayor, Thomas C. Kuykendall, Jr.

Attest: _____

City Secretary, D. Gordon Offord