

MINUTES

TOWN OF PARKER COMMON COUNCIL
REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING
TOWN COUNCIL CHAMBERS 1314 11th STREET
TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 20, 2012
6:00 P.M.

MAYOR'S ANNOUNCEMENT:

Mayor requested everyone to please turn off all electronic devices during the Council Meetings

CALL THE REGULAR MEETING TO ORDER

Mayor Beaver called the regular meeting to order at 6:00P.M.

ROLL CALL OF COUNCIL:

Present: Mayor Beaver, Vice-Mayor Boatwright, Council Members Duran, Hooper, Savino Shontz, and Yackley

Staff Present: Town Manager Wedemeyer, Town Clerk Cockrell, Chief of Police Mendoza, Public Works Dir. Edwards, and Library Manager Davis

Others Present: Jim Jackson, John Gutekunst, Dave Boatwright, Mary Hamilton, DL Wilson, David Bull, John Croteau, James Walz, and Julie LaBenz

INVOCATION:

Pastor Grissum from the Lilly in the Valley Church Jimmie L. Jackson Sr. gave the invocation being Pastor Grissum was out of town on business

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Given by all present

PRESENTATIONS:

Mary Hamilton - Parker Area Chamber of Commerce and Tourism Board
DL Wilson - LaPaz Economic Development Corporation and Focus Future Strategic Plan

Mary Hamilton the past Tourism Director and new Executive Director for the Parker Area Chamber of Commerce updated Council on their current activities while she introduced David Bull to Council as the new Tourism Director. She told Council where the Chamber would be focusing their efforts in the future. Get ready, the upcoming 425 Downtown Experience would be a huge blowout! Ms Hamilton provided both reports for the previous quarter for council; Tourism would be focusing in promoting the Tube Float in June; while the Chamber will focus on a shop local campaign trying to prove Parker is a year around town to come a visit from all areas not just from the west coast.

The statistics have been on the back burner - that would be changing same as the Chamber's Chamberettes. They too, are being revitalized as the chambers service volunteers. Council Member Duran stated she was very glad to hear this as was the information that the business and home decorating contest are being brought back. Mayor also voiced his and the councils thanks for all both departments are doing to bring events and helping get our local business back on track.

DL Wilson gave updates on the activities that both LPEDC and Focus Future II Program are doing for the town and the county. Through a Power Point presentation it was explained the plans are to provide a focus for economic development for both areas. Being the newly elected District One Board of Supervisors for La Paz County, Council inquired who his selection would be for his replacement, this is still to be decided he replied. Council thanked Mr. Wilson for his dedication to our communities' economic development.

CONSENT AGENDA:

- a. Approve the November 6, 2012 Council Meeting Minutes (-JH)
- b. Approve the Parade Request from Soroptimist International of Parker to host their 6th annual Parker Community Christmas Parade of Lights on Saturday, December 1st beginning assembly at 5:30pm along Joshua Avenue between 16th and 18th Streets; the parade will move along Joshua turning left at 12th Street continuing through to the 1115 12th Street Senior Center to disband at approximately 6:45pm.

MOTION: *The consent agenda is accepted and approved as presented*

BY: **CM Savino**

SECOND: **VM Boatwright**

VOTE: **CM Hooper abstained from item a not being present; the remaining approved both items and passed the motion**

REGULAR AGENDA:

Discussion and possible action on the following item(s)

1. Approve/Deny Ordinance 02-2012, the issuance of a Conditional Use Permit (CUP) for the purpose to construct an AT&T Cell Tower for that certain property, as set forth in file number CUP 08-2012(first reading of title only).

Public Works Director Edwards provided information about the requirements needed to construct a cell tower in the town limits. Present was Jim Walz from AT&T if council had any technical questions. All the legal requirements have completed; council member Savino inquired if there was a problem with any height requirements, this reply was none returned. Staff did report one conflict letter about the tower's location within in town lot. Staff did then move the tower to the opposite side of the lot to comply. Council member Hooper inquired if the tower required being lighted, that reply also was no.

MOTION: **The first reading of Ordinance 02-2012 was approved as presented**

BY: **CM Hooper**

SECOND: **CM Savino**

VOTE: **All in favor, the motion passed**

2. Approve/Deny the renewal and reestablishment of the LaPaz Economic Development Corporations agreement with the Town of Parker for 2012-2013 terms.

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained this agreement comes before council for their renewal and reestablishment for the next term as a housekeeping item

MOTION: The renewal and reestablishment of the LaPaz Economic Development Corporations agreement with the Town of Parker for 2012-2013 terms is approved as presented
BY: CM Shontz
SECOND: VM Boatwright
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

3. Approve/Deny the Town of Parker negotiate the Purchase and Sale Agreement of real property within the town limits.

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained this has been a long process, council has met in an executive session and tonight has the opportunity to decide to take control of their destiny to provide an economic development benefit by development of a parcel of wasted ground into a new bright gem for the town. Various council members spoke of their visions for the property to bring jobs and sales tax revenues to the community. Kudus were voiced to all for being such a pro active council in taking this historical step.

MOTION: The purchase and sale agreement for said real property is approved as presented
BY: CM Hooper
SECOND: VM Boatwright
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed collectively

4. Approve/Deny Resolution 16-2012, (English and Spanish) adoption of the extension of the Alternative Expenditure Limitation – Home Rule.

Town Manager Wedemeyer explained the town had posted and held two required public hearings to provide the town registered voter's the information and knowledge needed to place the Alternative Expenditure Limitation-Home Rule on the 2013 March ballot. Without the resolutions adoption the towns spending limits set by the state would dictate the town could not really make plans for the future. Council agreed, they need to be active in all their decisions

MOTION: Resolution 16-2012, the English and Spanish versions adopting the extension of the Alternative Expenditure Limitations also known as Home Rule is approved
BY: CM Savino
SECOND: CM Duran
VOTE: All in favor, the motion passed

COUNCIL MEMBER/LIAISONS REPORTS WITH POSSIBLE TOPICS FOR DISCUSSION:

Chamber of Commerce - Mayor Beaver * Tourism - CM Shontz *
Enterprise Zone - CM Duran * Joint Venture - CM Savino & CM Yackley*
Tribal Committee - CM Savino & Vice-Mayor Boatwright *
Parks & Recreation - CM Yackley * Senior Center - CM Savino *
Streets & Traffic - Mayor Beaver & CM Savino *
Library Board - CM Duran * La Paz County Fair Board - Mayor Beaver
* WACOG/WAEDD - Vice-Mayor Boatwright *
PAACE-Vice Mayor Boatwright

Mayor Beaver reported both his and Marion' reports were just given by Ms Mary CM Yackley reported on the Parks and Recreation Committee; the committee would be requesting their membership be increased by two new members from five to seven. Additionally, Joint Venture would be meeting on the 27th at 10am at the Casino.

1st Quarter Financial Update for Fiscal 2012- 2013

Lori Wedemeyer, Town Manager

Finance Director Wedemeyer reported the first quarter numbers do not provide good results back everything is financially down; however this is always how the first quarter proves to be. The state figures are two months behind; and the full results of our annual audit are not back yet. But what looks bad on paper is not really the fact she explained. The library is still doing great with both books received and monetary donations; this is directly due to the article that was in the Parade magazine. Hopefully council's next scheduled report will prove to be improved.

CALL TO THE PUBLIC: **There was none**

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

Thursday and Friday November 22nd and 23rd all Town of Parker offices will be closed in observance of the Thanksgiving holiday

Wed.	Nov. 28 th	Board of Adjustments @ Council Chambers	4:30pm
Dark		Streets and Traffic Committee	
Tue.	Dec. 4 th	Regular Council Meeting	6:00pm

Unless so noted, all meetings are held in the Council Chambers located at 1314 11th Street.

ADJOURNMENT:

MOTION: **The regular meeting be adjourned**
BY: **VM Boatwright**
SECOND: **CM Hooper**
VOTE: **All in favor, Mayor Beaver adjourned the regular meeting at 7:30pm**

Approve

Dan Beaver, Mayor

CERTIFICATION:

I certify that the following is a true and correct copy of the minutes of the Regular Council Meeting of the Town of Parker Common Council, which was held on November 20, 2012. I further certify the meeting was duly called, held, and that a quorum was present.

Candy Cockrell, CMC Town Clerk

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