

FARMERSVILLE CITY COUNCIL
MEETING MINUTES
October 22, 2013

The Farmersville City Council met in regular session on October 22, 2013 at 6:00pm in the Council Chambers at City Hall with the following members present: Mayor Helmberger, John Klostermann, Michael Hesse and Russell Chandler. Absent were Michael Carr and Jim Foy. Staff members present were City Manager Ben White, Police Chief Mike Sullivan, City Attorney Alan Lathrom, Finance Director Daphne Hamlin, Librarian Trisha Dowell and City Secretary Edie Sims.

Item I) CALL MEETING TO ORDER, ROLL CALL

Mayor Helmberger called the meeting to order. Edie Sims called the roll and announced a quorum was present. Mayor Helmberger welcomed all guests and visitors. Benny Mondy with Galloway Memorial Church of God in Christ offered the invocation with Mayor Helmberger leading the audience in the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag.

During the announcement section, Mayor Helmberger announced that October 22nd is Councilman Klostermann's 57th birthday. Michael Hesse's birthday was October 21st and Ben White's birthday is October 26th.

On a sad note, Fire Chief Morris' brother passed away and the Council offered their condolences.

Other items of interest include two events by the Chamber of Commerce on October 26th, the Trick It Up Bike Ride and the Scare on the Square. Audie Murphy will be honored posthumously with the Texas Legislative Medal of Honor presented by Governor Rick Perry downtown Farmersville on October 29th. This is a historical event that is very exciting for Farmersville. And lastly, Early Voting has already begun for the November 5th General Election and will continue to be held in the Council Chambers of City Hall through October 25th from 8am-5pm. Election Day will be held at the First Baptist Church Warehouse on Farmersville Parkway.

Item II – A) PUBLIC HEARING – CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON A REPLAT FOR A NONRESIDENTIAL SUBDIVISION TO BE LOCATED AT OR ABOUT 1732 W. AUDIE MURPHY PARKWAY, FARMERSVILLE

Mayor Helmberger requested this item be tabled as the engineers for the project are not ready to have this item discussed. Russell Chandler motioned to table this item until November 5th with John Klostermann seconding the motion. A poll of the Council was taken as follows: John Klostermann yes, Michael Hesse yes and Russell Chandler yes. Motion passed with full Council approval.

Item II – B) PUBLIC HEARING – CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON A REQUEST FOR REZONING FROM HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL (HC) DISTRICT USES TO HIGHWAY COMMERCIAL (HC) DISTRICT SUBJECT TO A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR A SKILLED NURSING FACILITY TO BE LOCATED AT OR ABOUT 1732 W. AUDIE MURPHY PARKWAY, FARMERSVILLE

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ITEM III – A) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON THE CITY FINANCIAL REPORTS

Finance Director Daphne Hamlin reported to the Council that the closing financials for Fiscal Year 2012-2013 are very good. The City closed the General Fund at 101% revenues with 96% expenditures. Sales tax revenues have increased. The Interest and Sinking Funds, also known as Debt Service, have closed the year well with 100% revenues and 101% expenditures. The Water Utility Fund closed better than expected at 103% revenues and 104% expenditures. The Wastewater Utility Fund ended with 105% revenues and 95% expenditures.

The Electric Fund has not received the quarterly payment but when received, the payment will be retroactive to this year's budget. The main concern during the past few months was the Water Utility Fund.

Russell Chandler motioned to approve the City Financial Reports as presented with Michael Hesse seconding the motion. A poll of the Council was taken as follows: John Klostermann yes, Michael Hesse yes and Russell Chandler yes. Motion passed with full Council approval.

ITEM III – B) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON A RESOLUTION TO TEMPORARILY CLOSE BUSINESS 78 (MCKINNEY STREET) DOWNTOWN ON OCTOBER 29TH TO ACCOMMODATE THE TEXAS LEGISLATIVE MEDAL OF HONOR CEREMONY

With the upcoming Medal of Honor Ceremony, the City will require the downtown square to be closed down. Since this area of our City belongs to TxDOT, we must process a request to close down the square. City Manager Ben White indicated TxDOT had previously allowed their agreement to stand as the resolution but has now required a separate resolution passed by the governing body. The resolution presented to the Council will be submitted with the TxDOT Agreement. Michael Hesse motioned to approve the resolution with John Klostermann seconding the motion. A poll of the Council was taken as follows: John Klostermann yes, Michael Hesse yes and Russell Chandler yes. Motion passed with full Council approval.

ITEM III – C) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON APPOINTING BOARD MEMBERS TO THE TIRZ BOARD

Mayor Helmberger announced that the TIRZ Board is a vital board; however there are presently no funds in the TIRZ account. Mayor Helmberger recommended the Council re-appoint the standing board members. Three of the five directors must be appointed by the City of Farmersville and two directors must be appointed by Collin County Commissioner's Court. With no discussion, John Klostermann motioned to appoint the standing board members with Michael Hesse seconding the motion. A poll of the Council was taken as follows: John Klostermann yes, Michael Hesse yes and Russell Chandler yes. Motion passed with full Council approval.

ITEM III – D) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN COLLIN COUNTY AND THE CHARLES J. RIKE MEMORIAL LIBRARY FOR FUNIDNG DURING FISCAL YEAR 2013-2014

Librarian Trisha Dowell came before the Council to announce the standard funding agreement has been placed before the Council in the amount of \$15,119 which is an increase of \$273 more than last year. Russell Chandler motioned to approve the agreement with John Klostermann seconding the motion. A poll of the Council was taken as follows: John

Klostermann yes, Michael Hesse yes and Russell Chandler yes. Motion passed with full Council approval.

ITEM III – E) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON AN INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN COLLIN COUNTY AND THE CITY OF FARMERSVILLE FOR ANIMAL SHELTERING SERVICES

City Manager Ben White informed the Council the presented ILA is an annual agreement with Collin County for animal sheltering services. The amount of \$10,188 in the agreement is the amount budgeted for Fiscal Year 2013-2014. Russell Chandler motioned to approve the ILA as presented with Michael Hesse seconding the motion. A poll of the Council was taken as follows: John Klostermann yes, Michael Hesse yes and Russell Chandler yes. Motion passed with full Council approval.

ITEM III – F) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON DUMPSTERS LOCATED IN RIGHT-OF-WAYS OF CITY STREETS

City Manager Ben White stated staff is still working on this issue and asked to have this topic returned on the November 5th Council Agenda for further discussion. Council concurred with no action taken.

ITEM III – G) CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND ACT UPON ADDRESSING THE UTILITY AND DRAINAGE ISSUES REGARDING THE COURTYARD BEHIND 104 MCKINNEY STREET

City Manager Ben White presented the Council with a drawing to assist with the discussion and clarified the drawing was not a legal document. Lot 9R, Block B is the lot being discussed where a courtyard exists. This area has been an issue for quite some time which includes no access to utilities and a drainage problem which needs correction. The area has been discussed with the owners and area building owners to resolve access to reconfigure the area. Mr. White has been in conference with Doris Williams, the newest owner of the property, and she is agreeable with an easement for the entire area. By having the easement, the City will be allowed access to demolish concrete and reconfigure the utilities which would in turn solve the drainage issues. Staff's opinion is a win-win situation and will solve an old problem. Mr. White stated he will return to the Council with an easement for approval. Mayor Helmberger requested to investigate if an aerial easement would be considered as well since we will be in charge of our power lines and have that issue cleaned up as well. Council concurred to proceed with an easement with no action taken.

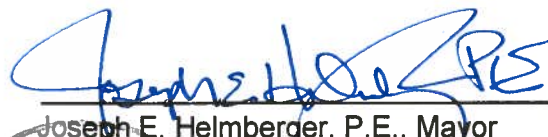
ITEM VI) REQUEST FOR CONSIDERATION OF PLACING ITEMS ON FUTURE AGENDAS

No one requested items for future agendas.

ITEM VII) ADJOURNMENT


Council adjourned at 6:18:54pm.

APPROVED



Joseph E. Helmberger, P.E., Mayor

ATTEST



Edie Sims, City Secretary

