

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 1, 2003

7:30 P.M.

PRESENT: Mike Batchelder, Tony French, Jerry Bruns and Mari Ann Parker. Dan Tilton was absent.

ALSO PRESENT: Dick Powell, Katie Hargis, Dorothy Diveley, Chad Clary, Roger Hopkins, Russell Karn, Ted Collins and Bill Butrick.

PRESIDING: Mayor Janet Tyler.

The meeting was called to order at 7:30 p.m. with a quorum present.

Mari Ann Parker moved to approve the minutes of the last regular council meeting held September 3, 2003. Tony French 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Jerry Bruns moved to approve the bills for the month of September, 2003. Mike Batchelder 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

CITIZEN'S REQUEST: Dorothy Diveley of the PRIDE Committee thanked the City for their help with projects this year that helped them attain the "Community of Excellence" Award and also the 2003 "Star" Award. The Mayor and City Council congratulated the PRIDE Committee for the awards.

COMMITTEE REPORTS: Council member Tony French reported that around 12 people came to the public meeting to discuss establishing a Sports Recreation Commission. French stated that all in attendance thought establishing a commission would be very beneficial. French asked the Council for their input on how to proceed with the appointment of a commission. Mayor Tyler asked the Parks and Recreation Committee to meet and put together their ideas and recommendations and report back to the Council at a later date.

NEW BUSINESS: Tony French moved to approve Payment Request No. 16 of \$81,393.74 from Grant No. 01-PF-131. Jerry Bruns 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

CITY OFFICER'S REPORT: City Superintendent Roger Hopkins gave a brief report about the new well. Hopkins also informed the Council that he had fixed a water line and had to remove part of a retaining wall and shrubbery. He stated that the property owner felt the City should replace the shrubbery and asked the Council to look into the matter. Mayor Tyler stated she would review the water ordinance and speak with the property owner regarding her findings.

Hopkins told the Council it would cost roughly \$2000 per block to upgrade water lines on certain streets.

Police Chief Chad Clary reported that the Equipment Grant was not applied for because it only allowed for the purchase of computers and digital cameras.

Fire Chief Dick Powell asked the Council to consider paying ½ of the cost of books for firefighters to receive certified training. He stated that the City's share would be around \$300. Tony French moved to pay the requested amount of \$300 for the training books. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Council member Mike Batchelder stated that he had spoke to Larrison Tree Service about trimming the tree by the concession stand at the ball park. The Council asked Batchelder to contact Gamble Tree Service to get a bid from him as well.

Mr. Terry Moran spoke to City officials about reseeding Degginger Park, at no cost to the City, for his Master Gardener Project. Parks and Recreation Chairman Mike Batchelder was instructed to get with Mr. Moran on this project.

8:35 p.m. Mayor Tyler declared a 5 minute recess.

8:40 p.m. Mari Ann Parker moved to go into executive session for 30 minutes to discuss personnel. Tony French 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

9:10 p.m. Mike Batchelder moved to come out of executive session. Tony French 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

9:11 p.m. Mike Batchelder moved to go back into executive session for 10 minutes to discuss personnel. Tony French 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

9:21 p.m. Tony French moved to come out of executive session. Mari Ann Parker 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

9:22 p.m. Jerry Bruns moved to adjourn. Mike Batchelder 2nd, motion carried unanimously.

Mayor

City Clerk