



CITY COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

February 25, 2020 – 6:00 p.m.
The REC
301 Terry Street
Whitehouse, Texas 75791

Members of the public may address the Council regarding any posted agenda item by filling out a speakers' card prior to the item being called. These presentations shall be limited to three minutes. The Mayor, at his discretion, may reasonably extend the time limit.

A. CALL TO ORDER AND ROLL CALL

Mayor - Charles Parker: Present
Place 1 - James Wansley: Present
Place 2 - Ginger Cardwell: Present
Place 3 - Paul Hickey: Present
Place 4 - Millette Stroud: Present
Place 5 - Dick Jackson: Present
A quorum was present

B. PRAYER – Mayor Parker

06:00:45 PM (00:01:24)
Mayor Parker gave the invocation.

C. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE FLAG OF THE UNITED STATES AND TO THE TEXAS FLAG. *“Honor the Texas Flag; I pledge allegiance to thee, Texas, one state under God, one and indivisible”*

06:01:18 PM (00:01:57)

D. PRESENTATIONS

06:01:48 PM (00:02:26)
No presentations

E. COMMUNITY INTEREST

This section of the agenda shall allow any member of the City Council, the Mayor, or the City Manager the opportunity to discuss minor, non-action items such as recognitions, scheduling, and upcoming civic events that are not listed on this agenda and which require no action by the Council.

06:02:00 PM (00:02:38)
Keep Whitehouse Beautiful – annual clean up March 28

Community Easter Egg Hunt – April 11
Freedom in the Park – May 23
Chamber of Commerce Reverse Raffle – April 18

F. PUBLIC FORUM

Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.007, members of the public may speak on an agenda item during the Public Forum section of the meeting or at the time the agenda item is called for discussion by the Mayor. Speakers shall be given three (3) minutes to speak. A speaker needing a translator and/or interpreter may be given six (6) minutes to speak. Criticism of city employees or staff is prohibited. Those wishing to address the Council regarding an item not on the agenda must be a citizen, property owner or business owner of Whitehouse. Comments on such non-agenda items shall be limited to three minutes. The Council will not comment on items not on the agenda; however, the Council may refer the item to city staff for research, resolution or referral of the matter to the Council as a future agenda item.

06:02:56 PM (00:03:34)

Vicki Lancaster - 903 Christopher, addressed the Council regarding Certificates of Obligation and new tax rate.

G. CONSENT AGENDA

This section shall provide for items that require action by the Council, but where no discussion is anticipated. By a single motion, second and affirmative majority vote, items under this section are approved without further discussion or action.

1. Withdraw items from the Consent Agenda

Any Council member may request the removal of any item from the Consent Agenda, in which case the item shall be discussed and voted upon separately.

2. Approval of minutes of the City Council meeting on February 11, 2020.  Z

06:06:19 PM (00:06:58)

Place 3 - Paul Hickey: Motion to approve the consent agenda

Place 1 - James Wansley: 2nd the motion

Mayor - Charles Parker: N\A

Place 1 - James Wansley: Approve

Place 2 - Ginger Cardwell: Approve

Place 3 - Paul Hickey: Approve

Place 4 - Millette Stroud: Approve

Place 5 - Dick Jackson: Approve

Motion approved

H. OTHER ACTION ITEMS / ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Discussion and action on a request for water and sewer services for property outside the city limits for 1428 Hagan Road, the property of Bradley & Rachelle Gillispie

06:06:44 PM (00:07:22)

Leslie Black explained this item to Council.

Rachelle Gillispie addressed the Council about providing services to her property that is outside the city limits.

Council asked questions and discussed the item.

Place 3 - Paul Hickey: Motion to deny approval at this point without annexation

Place 1 - James Wansley: 2nd the motion

Mayor - Charles Parker: N/A

Place 1 - James Wansley: Approve

Place 2 - Ginger Cardwell: Approve

Place 3 - Paul Hickey: Approve

Place 4 - Millette Stroud: Approve

Place 5 - Dick Jackson: Approve

Motion approved

2. Discussion of the City's solid waste services

06:21:24 PM (00:22:03)

Mayor Parker explained the work that was done in the former Request For Proposal and the work and service that Republic Services has done for us.

Place 4 - Millette Stroud: Motion to not send this out for bid and to retain our relationship with Republic (Services) through contract or renewal

Place 5 - Dick Jackson: 2nd the motion

Mayor - Charles Parker: N/A

Place 1 - James Wansley: Approve

Place 2 - Ginger Cardwell: Abstain

Place 3 - Paul Hickey: Approve

Place 4 - Millette Stroud: Approve

Place 5 - Dick Jackson: Approve

Motion approved

3. Discuss, consider and act upon Ordinance 20-0128-01, an ordinance amending the types of authorized vehicles in City parks

06:29:14 PM (00:29:52)

Mrs. Black explained the ordinance; previous concerns have been addressed and the ordinance has been updated.

Place 1 - James Wansley: Motion to approve Ordinance 20-0128-01, an ordinance amending the types of authorized vehicles in City parks

Place 3 - Paul Hickey: 2nd the motion

Mayor - Charles Parker: N/A

Place 1 - James Wansley: Approve

Place 2 - Ginger Cardwell: Approve

Place 3 - Paul Hickey: Approve

Place 4 - Millette Stroud: Approve

Place 5 - Dick Jackson: Approve

Motion approved

4. Update and discussion of:
 - a. Parks and Recreation Committee
 - b. Annexation Committee

06:37:39 PM (00:38:18)

Mrs. Black updated the Council on the items that the Parks and Recreation Committee would like to see now and in the future: matching funds, hog trapping, notice to area residents be notified that pedestrians are using the trail, tree planting, signage, Halloween in the Park planning and budget for the movie in the park. Mrs. Black updated Council regarding the Annexation Committee

5. Consider Future Agenda Items

06:54:23 PM (00:55:02)

- a. Midyear Budget Review
Mid-year is at the end of March and will be on a future agenda.
- b. Vehicle Replacement
- c. Code Enforcement
Meetings are scheduled for items b & c; these will be updated afterward those meetings.

I. ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Receive reports from Staff

06:57:31 PM (00:58:09)

J. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Pursuant to Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, the City Council reserves the right to convene into Executive Session(s) from time to time as deemed necessary during this meeting. The City Council may convene into Executive Session to discuss any or all of the following topics: Pending or contemplated litigation or to seek the advice of the City Attorney pursuant to Section 551.071; Possible, purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real estate pursuant to Section 551.072; Personnel matters pursuant to Section 551.074; Economic development negotiations pursuant to Section 551.087

1. Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.071, the Council will convene into Executive Session to receive legal advice from the City Attorney concerning the following item: Legal ability to regulate water wells
2. Pursuant to Texas Government Code section 551.074, the Council will convene into Executive Session to discuss personnel matters regarding the recurring quarterly review of the City Manger

07:01:51 PM (01:02:30)

07:02:16 PM (01:02:45) Mayor Parker closed the regular meeting and moved into executive secession.

08:46:35 PM (01:03:20) Mayor Parker reconvened the regular meeting.

K. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION AND CONSIDER ACTION ITEMS / ORDINANCES / RESOLUTIONS / PUBLIC HEARINGS

1. Hamilton Park Water Well

08:46:43 PM (01:03:28)

Place 3 - Paul Hickey: Motion to have the City Attorney negotiate on the water well for Hamilton Park

Place 4 - Millette Stroud: 2nd the motion

Mayor - Charles Parker: N/A

Place 1 - James Wansley: Approve

Place 2 - Ginger Cardwell: Approve

Place 3 - Paul Hickey: Approve

Place 4 - Millette Stroud: Approve

Place 5 - Dick Jackson: Approve

Motion approved

2. Recurring quarterly review of the City Manager

08:47:23 PM (01:04:08)

Place 1 - James Wansley: Motion to extend the residency requirements for the City Manager an additional 90 days for extenuating circumstances

Place 5 - Dick Jackson: 2nd the motions

Mayor - Charles Parker: N/A

Place 1 - James Wansley: Approve

Place 2 - Ginger Cardwell: Approve

Place 3 - Paul Hickey: Approve

Place 4 - Millette Stroud: Approve

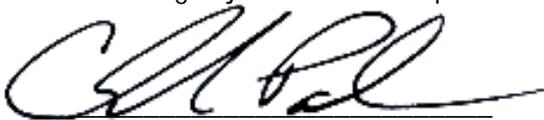
Place 5 - Dick Jackson: Approve

Motion approved

L. ADJOURN

08:48:02 PM (01:04:47)

Meeting adjourned at 8:48 p.m.



Charles Parker, Mayor

ATTEST:



Susan Hargis, City Secretary