

Minutes of the Regular
Scheduled Meeting
Troup City Council
July 29, 2014

A Scheduled Meeting of the Troup City Council was held Tuesday July 29, 2014 at 6:00 pm at the Cameron J-Jarvis Troup Municipal Library located at 102 S. Georgia, Troup, Texas. Councilpersons present were: Mayor Bill Lacy, Jeff Hale, Joe Carlyle, Gary Salyer, Chip Richardson, and Mayor Pro Tem Carole Wilson. Also present were City Administrator Gene Cottle and City Secretary Buffie Deason.

Guest present were John Phillips, Suzanne Loudamy, and others not signed in.

Mayor Bill Lacy called the meeting to order at 6:05 p.m. noting all Council Persons were present with the exception of Jeff Hale.

Councilperson Carole Wilson led the invocation.

Mayor Bill Lacy – Led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Bill Lacy – Item 4 Brief comments concerning non-agenda items. No comments made.

Mayor Bill Lacy – Item 5 Discussion and consider approving Ordinance No. 2014-0729-02 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ATTACHMENT “A” ORDINANCE NUMBER 2008-0916-07 “A ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUP, TEXAS, AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR OF THE CITY TO ENTER INTO A CONTRACTURAL AMENDMENT BETWEEN ALLIED WASTE, A TEXAS CORPORATION (CONTRACTOR) AND THE CITY OF TROUP, TEXAS, A MUNICIPAL CORPORATION OF SMITH COUNTY, TEXAS (CITY) FOR SOLID WASTE COLLECTION SERVICES.” City Manager Gene Cottle told Council that during contract negotiations that Allied had agreed to lower fees to customers of the City of Troup. Councilperson Joe Carlyle made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 201-0729-02 as written. Councilperson Chip Richardson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Bill Lacy- Item 6 Discuss and consider approving Ordinance No. 2014-0729-01 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING ORDINANCE NUMBER 20130917 “MAKING APPROPRIATIONS FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF TROUP FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2013 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2014, APPROPRIATING MONEY TO A SINKING FUND TO PAY INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL DUE ON THE CITY'S INDEBTEDNESS; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO THE GENERAL OPERATING FUND AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF TROUP FOR THE YEAR 2013-2014 FISCAL YEAR.” City Manager Gene Cottle told Council that this Ordinance for the emergency budget amendment that Council had approved in the previous meeting. Councilperson Joe Carlyle made the motion to approve Ordinance No. 2014-0729-01 as written. Councilperson Gary Salyer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Councilperson Jeff Hale joined the meeting at 6:10 p.m.

Mayor Bill Lacy – Item 7 Discuss and consider approving Resolution No. R2014-0729-01. A resolution authorizing the Mayor to execute the deed and any and all documents to convey Cause No. 22353-A Troup Independent School District, et al Vs. Pace Mortgage, Inc., et al. City Manager Gene Cottle advised Council that was land that was sold due to delinquent taxes. Councilperson Gary Salyer ask if this done by the school. Mr. Cottle said that taxes were owed to both and that the City and School would receive money from the sale of the property. Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to approve Resolution No. R2014-0729-01 as read. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Bill Lacy – Item 8 Discuss and consider the insurance claim # 1400213469 from TML Risk Pool for the Public Works 2002 Ford F-450 truck vin# 1FDXF46F22EA41568. City Manager Gene Cottle advised Council that this vehicle was

involved in accident with another truck and was totaled. Mr. Cottle told Council that TML has offered the City \$22433.33 with option to purchase back at \$3375.00. Mr. Cottle said that the City had the truck evaluated and the frame was bent, so he thought it was in the best interest not to buy back. Mr. Cottle said he would like for Council to grant him permission with a \$35000.00 to find a replacement vehicle. Councilperson Joe Carlyle made the motion to accept the offer from TML Risk Pool for the totaled vehicle, not purchase the salvage back, and authorize the City Manager to replace this vehicle no exceeding the amount of \$35,000.00. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Bill Lacy – Item 9 Discuss and consider the 2015 preliminary budget for Cherokee County Appraisal District. Mr. Cottle told Council that he had the copies if they wanted to be viewed. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the 2015 preliminary budget for Cherokee County Appraisal District. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Bill Lacy- Item 10 Discuss and consider the 2015 Preliminary Budget for Smith County Appraisal District. Councilperson Gary Salyer made the motion to approve the 2015 Preliminary Budget for Smith County Appraisal District. Councilperson Chip Richardson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Bill Lacy- Item 11 Discuss and consider the 2013 Financial Audit for Cherokee County Appraisal District. Councilperson Joe Carlyle made the motion to accept the 2013 financial audit for Cherokee County Appraisal District. Councilperson Chip Richardson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Bill Lacy – Item 12 Discuss and consider allowing the Mayor to enter into an Inter-local Agreement with the City of Arp for the use of a dump truck. Councilperson Joe Carlyle ask who would be using the dump truck and what for. Public Works Director John Phillips said that the City had been given several loads for clay and that it would be more efficient to borrow the City of Arp's dump truck and that Arp is not charging the City a fee. Councilperson Joe Carlyle made the motion to allow the Mayor to enter into an Inter-Local Agreement with the City of Arp for the use of their dump truck. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

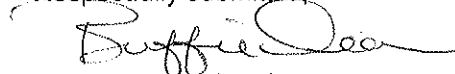
Mayor Bill Lacy – Item 13 Preliminary discussion on 2014-2015 Budget. City Manager Gene Cottle presented Council with a power point presentation and a detailed preliminary draft of the 2015 fiscal budget with corrections that would put the budget in balance. Councilperson Joe Carlyle ask when this budget would need to approved at the next meeting in order to meet deadlines. City Manager Gene Cottle if there is any changes that Council would like to see made on this preliminary budget. Mayor Bill Lacy thanked Mr. Cottle thank you for all his hard work on the budget.

Mayor Bill Lacy – Item 14 Discuss and consider an emergency budget amendment of the City of Troup's 2014 Fiscal Year Budget to purchase a new phone system for City Hall and Police Department. City Manager Gene Cottle explained to Council that the phone system had stopped working and that City Hall was only operating on 3 phone lines with portable phones. Mr. Cottle said that we are unable to buy parts for the old phone system. Councilperson Carole Wilson made the motion to create and ordinance to amend the City of Troup's 2014 Fiscal Year Budget due to an emergency in order to purchase a new phone system. Councilperson Gary Salyer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Bill Lacy – Item 15 Comments and input from Council, Mayor, Or City Manager concerning items of interest or items for a future agenda. Councilperson Gary Salyer ask what is the rules for code enforcement on overgrown grass. City Manager Gene Cottle told him that the grass had to be over 18 inches. Mayor Bill Lacy said he wanted to thank La hacienda for the donated chips and hot sauce. Mayor Lacy also told Council that he had rode with Code enforcement and that there is several houses that are in very bad shape.

Mayor Bill Lacy – Item 16 Adjourn. Councilperson Jeff Hale made to motion to adjoin the meeting at 7:18 p.m. Councilperson Gary Salyer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,



Buffie Deason/City Secretary