

Minutes of the Regular
Scheduled Meeting
Troup City Council
September 8, 2015

A Scheduled Meeting of the Troup City Council was held Tuesday September 8, 2015 at 6:30 pm at the Cameron J-Jarvis Troup Municipal Library located at 102 S. Georgia, Troup, Texas. Councilpersons present were: Mayor Joe Carlyle, Nelson Darden, Jr., Gary Salyer, and Chip Richardson. Also present were City Manager Gene Cottle and City Secretary Buffie Deason.

Mayor Joe Carlyle called the meeting to order at 6:31 p.m. noting all Council Persons were present with the exception of Jeff Hale and Carole Wilson. Guest present were Shawn Murry, Kyle Stowers, Suzanne Loudamy and others not signed in.

Nelson Darden, Jr. led the invocation.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 4 Consider approval of the minutes from the Regular Scheduled Meeting of August 11, 2015. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve the minutes as written. Councilperson Gary Salyer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 5 Citizen Comments- Brief Comments concerning non-Agenda items. No comments.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 6 Review and consider the city financial report for August 2015. City Manager Gene Cottle presented Council with the monthly financial reports. Councilperson Gary Salyer made the motion to approve the financial reports for August 2015. Councilperson Chip Richardson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 7 Comments, questions or input from City Manager's monthly report. City Manager Gene Cottle present Council with his and the police departments monthly report. Mr. Cottle explained the City was at 91.66% of the budget year. He also reported that the sales tax was \$33,884.50. Mr. Cottle also reported that both the payment for the tower demolition and repainting of the ground storage tank had been made. He also reported that 2 of the 3 TCEQ requirements and had been met and the third was in the process. Mr. Cottle advised that City Hall would be closed on 9/29/2015 in order to conduct Jury trials.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 8 Discuss and consider approving the Cherokee County Appraisal District 2016 Budget. Mr. Cottle explained that he had reviewed the Budget and advised to approve. Councilperson Gary Salyer made the motion to approve the Cherokee County Appraisal District 2016 Budget. Councilperson Nelson Darden, Jr. seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 9 Discuss and consider approving Resolution No. 2015-09-08R "OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUP, TEXAS, ACCEPTING THE REPAINTING OF GROUND STORAGE TANK AT WELL #2 IMPROVEMENTS UNDER THE CITY'S LOCALLY FUNDED PROJECT, AND AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENT TO PITTSBURG TANK AND TOWER MAINTENANCE CO., INC." Mr. Cottle advised Council that the job was finished and final payment should be made. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to approve Resolution No. 2015-09-08R "OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUP, TEXAS, ACCEPTING THE REPAINTING OF GROUND STORAGE TANK AT WELL #2 IMPROVEMENTS UNDER THE CITY'S LOCALLY FUNDED PROJECT, AND AUTHORIZING FINAL PAYMENT TO PITTSBURG TANK AND TOWER MAINTENANCE CO., INC." Councilperson Gary Salyer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 10 Discuss and consider setting the rate for the city's contribution to the Texas Municipal League Retirement System (TMRS) effective January 1, 2016. Councilperson Nelson Darden, Jr. made the motion to set the city's contribution at 5.89 % to the Texas Municipal League Retirement System effective January 1, 2016. Councilperson Gary Salyer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Convene to Public Hearing to discuss proposed tax rate at 6:46p.m.
No Public Comments made.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Closed Public Hearing at 6:57 p.m.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Convened to Public Hearing to discuss 2015/2016 Fiscal Year Budget at 6:57 p.m.
No Public Comments made.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Closed Public Hearing at 6:57 and reconvened to Open Meeting.

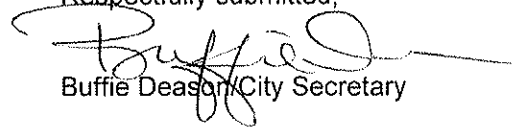
Mayor Joe Carlyle - Item 17 Discuss but not adopt the 2015-2016 Fiscal Year Budget. City Manager Gene Cottle presented Council with several different examples of the Budget and explained how each would affect the City. No Action was taken.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 18 Discuss On Texas Community Development Block Grant, Downtown Revitalization Grant. Mr. Cottle explained that the City has a possibility of getting a grant that would fund downtown sidewalks. He explained that the City would have to match the grant with \$45,000.00. Mayor Carlyle explained this project would help with ADA requirements and repairing sidewalks. He also told Council that this was still contingent with TXDOT approval. Mr. Cottle said that this grant would almost cover the price to repair both sides of the downtown area.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 18 Comments and input from Council, Mayor, Or City Manager concerning items of interest for a future agenda. Mr. Cottle said that the Police Department would be having a class over ambush situations against officers. Mr. Cottle also said that the Police Department had also got a new reserve officer. Councilperson Gary Salyer ask Mr. Cottle if the city could require the burned trailer located on E. Bryant Street be removed. Mr. Cottle said the he would talk to the code enforcement officer.

Mayor Joe Carlyle – Item 19 Adjourn. Councilperson Chip Richardson made the motion to adjourn. Councilperson Gary Salyer seconded the motion and the meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Buffie Deason/City Secretary