

Minutes of the Regular
Scheduled Meeting
Troup City Council
June 11, 2013

A Regular Scheduled Meeting of the Troup City Council was held Tuesday June 11, 2013 at 6:30 p.m. in the T.I.S.D. Administration Building located at 201 N. Carolina, Troup, Texas. Councilpersons present were: Mayor John Whitsell, Joe Carlyle, Jeff Hale, Gary Salyer and Mayor Pro Tem Carole Wilson. Also present were City Administrator Gene Cottle and City Secretary Buffie Deason.

Guests attending were Suzanne Loudamy.

Mayor John Whitsell called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. noting all Council Persons were present with the exception of Councilperson Chip Richardson and Councilperson Joe Carlyle.

Mayor Whitsell – Led the Pledge of Allegiance.

Mayor Whitsell – Item 3 Consider approval of minutes from the Regular Scheduled Meeting of May 14, 2013. Councilperson Jeff Hale made the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular Scheduled Meeting of May 14, 2013. Councilperson Gary Salyer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Whitsell - Item 4 Citizen comments concerning non-agenda items. No comments made.

Mayor Whitsell – Item 5 Comments, questions or input from the City Administrator's written report. City Administrator Gene Cottle explained to Councilpersons that the City is at 67% of the budget year. Mr. Cottle also advised about comparison of water rates with other cities. Mr. Cottle reported that the telescoping valve job has begun at the wastewater treatment plant and that department heads have begun to prepare the upcoming budget. Mr. Cottle also told Council that the cities risk insurance should show a decrease due to classification of employees and the number of employees reported was incorrect. Mr. Cottle said that city hall will be starting Incode cash collections July 1, 2013. Mr. Cottle stated that our next council meeting will include presentations for engineering firms that would like to become the official engineering firm for the City of Troup.

Councilperson Joe Carlyle joined the meeting at 6:37 pm.

Mayor Whitsell – Item 6 Review and consider the city financial report for the month of May 2013. City Administrator Gene Cottle presented a balance sheet and income/expense report along with a cash comparison showing an increase of funds compared to previous years. Councilperson Gary Salyer ask about line item 01-1131 Allowance for doubtful accounts, Mr. Cottle explained this is for water bills that have been written off in the past. Mayor Whitsell asked why this is still on the report if they had been written off. Mr. Cottle explained that this will be fixed for future reports. Mr. Cottle reported that property tax income is still coming in very strong. Councilperson Gary Salyer asked about the item line of Grant Receiving, Mr. Cottle explained that those are amounts that were not budgeted for since it is money that comes in and has to be paid out within a few days. Mr. Cottle explained that the City had received funds for two different grants. Councilperson Carole Wilson made the motion to approve the City financial report for the month of May 2013. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Whitsell – Item 7 Discuss and consider adopting a Resolution Authorizing Participation in the TexPool Investment Pools and Designating Authorized Representatives. Mr. Cottle explained that this is to make the signature card correct. Council person Joe Carlyle made the motion to adopt the Resolution Authorizing Participation in the TexPool Investment Pools and Designating Authorized representatives as Gene Cottle, Buffie Deason, and John Whitsell. Councilperson Carole Wilson seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Whitsell – Item 8 Discuss and consider adopting Ordinance No. 2013-0611-01 AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF TROUP, TEXAS, DESIGNATING THE TRI COUNTY LEADER AS THE OFFICIAL NEWSPAPER FOR THE CITY; PROVIDING FOR THE REPEAL OF ORDINANCES, RESOLUTIONS, OR POLICIES INCONSISTENT HEREWITH; AND PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY. Councilperson Joe Carlyle made to motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2013-0611-01. Councilperson Gary Salyer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Whitsell – Item 9 Discuss and consider budget line adjustments for the Approved Budget for 2012-2013 for City of Troup. City Administrator Gene Cottle explained to the Council the budget has certain line items with funds that will not be used and that it would be good to move those funds to line items that are requiring extra expenditures to balance out

the budget. Mr. Cottle explained that since the City did not hold an election those budgeted funds could be moved to technology. Mr. Cottle also told Council that Police had over budgeted for Texas Workforce Commission fees, so those extra funds needed to be transferred to Police salaries. Mr. Cottle also stated the City Attorney/Legal Issues line item was over budgeted and that those funds needed to be moved to Audit/CPA line due to being under budgeted. Mr. Cottle stated that the Water department had over budgeted for salaries and he wanted those extra funds to be moved to Plant/upgrade line for the Telescoping Project at the sewer plant. Councilperson Joe Carlyle made the motion to approve budget line adjustments for the Approved Budget for 2012-2013 for the City of Troup as indicated on the attachment presented to Council being noted as Adjustment 1, 2, 3, and 4. Councilperson Gary Salyer seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

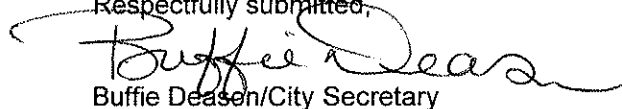
Mayor Whitsell – Item 10 Discuss and consider Library Board Recommendations for appointment for Board Member positions and terms of service for the Cameron-J. Jarvis Troup Municipal Library. Mr. Cottle explained that the Council needed to approve the Board Members submitted by the Library Board. Councilperson Joe Carlyle made the motion to accept the recommendation by the Library Board appointed board members as read: Cameron Family Representative – Hal Cameron; Jarvis Family Representative – Eleanor Cameron; City Council Representative – Carole Wilson; Even Year Appointees – Navoleine Roddy, Angela Foster, Sonja Rountree, and Joe McElroy; Odd Year Appointees – Deborah Burkett, Shannon Capps, David Wilson, Gene Whitsell, and Bill Lacy. Councilperson Jeff Hale seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Whitsell – Item 11 Discuss and consider adopting Ordinance No. 2013-0611-02 AN ORDINANCE AMENDING EXHIBIT "E" OF "ORDINANCE 2010-0921-02 RELATING TO PERMIT FEE SCHEDULE" BY ADDING A BUILDING PERMIT FEE OF \$5.00 FOR A FENCE PERMIT. Mr. Cottle advised this was to require citizens to come to City Hall so they could get a copy of the City's Fencing Ordinance. Councilperson Carole Wilson made the motion to adopt Ordinance No. 2013-0611-02 and relating exhibits. Councilperson Joe Carlyle seconded the motion and the motion carried unanimously.

Mayor Whitsell – Item 12 Comments and input from Council, Mayor, or City Administrator concerning items of interest of items for a future agenda. Council person Jeff Hale stated that he was disappointed that the trash ordinance had passed; he said he thought this was too invasive on the citizens of Troup. Mr. Cottle explained that the City of Troup is not the only city with this rule. Mr. Hale ask what would happen to handicap or disabled that are not able to move their cart. Mayor Whitsell told him that Allied will offer front door service for disabled citizens.

Mayor Whitsell – Item 13 meeting adjourned at 7:16 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

A handwritten signature in cursive script that reads "Buffie Deason". The signature is written in black ink and is positioned above the typed name.

Buffie Deason/City Secretary