

CITY OF GLADEWATER  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION  
MINUTES  
OCTOBER 20, 2011  
6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Walter Derrick, Mayor Pro-tem Scott Owens, Leon Watson, Jimmy Williams, Delbert Burlison, Harold Wells, John Shipp

STAFF PRESENT: Sean Pate, Melba Haralson, Dennis Jones, Wayne A. Smith, Farrell Alexander

GUESTS PRESENT: Judy Burlison, Tony Cain, Joyce Hugman, Joyce Hubbard, Paul Hall, Danny Sorrells, Mary Williams, Beth McKamy, Lola May, Jim Lindsey, Mark May, Pat Watson, Robert Johnson

I. CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Derrick called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

- a) Invocation – Councilmember Williams
- b) Pledge of Allegiance – Councilmember Burlison

II. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Joyce Hugman, 1901 E. Lake Drive spoke on behalf of the Friends of Lee Public Library regarding Joe Landsdale, renowned author who graduated from Gladewater High School in 1970. He has written 45 books, his latest book “The Bottoms” takes place on the Sabine River in Gladewater and it is being made into a movie. Mrs. Hugman suggested the City pursue having the movie filmed here in Gladewater.

Tony Cain, represented IESI which owns the landfill in Henderson. He requested that IESI be allowed to participate in the bid process for solid waste services.

III. CONSIDERATION of Consent Agenda

- a) Minutes – September 15, 2011
- b) Investment Report for quarter ending September 30, 2011 and fiscal year ending September 30, 2011
- c) Blanket Permit for Gladewater Lions Club Turkey Shoot November 12, 2011
- d) Blanket Permit for Gladewater Chamber of Commerce annual Christmas Parade December 6, 2011
- e) Ordinance enacting and adopting a supplement to the Code of Ordinances

Councilmember Williams moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Watson. Carried 7-0.

IV. CONSIDERATION of bids for Emergency Services Center Generator Contract #DRS010055

City Manager Pate stated a total of six bids were received and tabulated by KSA Engineers. They recommend awarding the contract to the lowest bidder; Electro-Mec, Inc. for a total amount of \$43,118.00.

Councilmember Wells moved to award per KSA Engineers recommendation, seconded by Councilmember Burlison. Carried 7-0.

V. CONSIDERATION of Contract for Management Services with Gary R. Traylor & Associates

City Manager Pate stated this is for the Dallas Force Main project and recommended approval.

Councilmember Watson so moved, seconded by Councilmember Shipp. Carried 7-0.

VI. CONSIDERATION of Gladewater Economic Development Corporation Budget for fiscal year 2012

Robert Johnson, GEDCO Director said this will require a special meeting, which is set for October 27th at 4:00 p.m. He asked the Council to table.

Mayor Pro-tem Owens requested that the special meeting be set for 6:00 p.m. so people won't have to take off work.

Councilmember Burlison moved to table until October 27<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Watson. Carried 7-0.

VII. CONSIDERATION of Resolution regarding a finance contract for the purpose of procuring CopSync Equipment

Police Chief Farrell Alexander explained the request in detail, including financing with Government Capital Corporation. City Manager Pate spoke in support. He said payments will be deferred for one year so there is no financial impact on this year's budget.

Mayor Pro-tem Owens stated we should give local banks the chance to finance and moved to approve contingent upon the City Manager obtaining bids from local financing institutions. His motion authorized City Manager Sean Pate to compare local financing bids and use a local bank if Government Capital Financing terms can be met or exceeded. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Watson. Carried 7-0.

VIII. CONSIDERATION of Resolution regarding a finance contract for the purpose of procuring vehicles

City Manager Pate said this is already in the budget and said it is a good practice to check with local banks on financing. Mayor Pro-tem Owens explained these vehicles come equipped with light bars, computer equipment, etc. which prevents us from buying the vehicles locally.

Mayor Pro-tem Owens moved to approve contingent once again upon City Manager Pate exploring local financing options to determine if Government Capital Financing terms can be met or exceeded. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Watson. Carried 7-0.

IX. CITY MANAGER REPORT

- a) Grants
- b) Special Projects
- c) Announcements

City Manager Pate gave the following report;

1. We met with Texas Department of Agriculture and Gary Traylor's staff regarding the Dallas Force Main and the continuation of the line by the ball fields. We asked if the location could be moved to south of Glade Creek close to Hwy 80 where the line continues to fail. They will check on relocation possibility.
2. Dennis Jones and his crew did a fantastic job repairing the WPA ditch. He said they may look at a future rededication of a former park in that area.
3. The timber cutting is still underway. We are clear cutting 100' behind the dam and thinning out timber beyond that.
4. The sludge hauling is underway and will be completed in 30-60 days.
5. The Fall Festival will be held at Perryman Fields October 29<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.
6. We have received a \$7,400 grant from the Texas Forest Service. Thanks to hard working staff that obtain grants and save taxpayers money.
7. Robert Johnson, new GEDCO Director was introduced. Mr. Johnson handed out copies of the proposed budget for fiscal year 2012 for the Council to review prior to the special meeting on October 27<sup>th</sup> at 6 p.m.
8. TCEQ has been trying to fine us for something that is not our fault. We now have it cleared up and will receive documentation shortly.

X. ADJOURN

Councilmember Jimmy Williams said he wished a lot more people had been at the GEDCO meeting to see the professional presentation of the budget and he thanked Robert Johnson for a job well done.

Councilmember Shipp moved to adjourn at 6:50 p.m., seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Owens. Adjourned by consensus.

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WALTER DERRICK, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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MELBA HARALSON, CITY SECRETARY