

CITY OF GLADEWATER
CITY COUNCIL SPECIAL SESSION
MINUTES
JANUARY 12, 2015
5:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Harold Wells, Mayor Pro-tem J.D. Shipp, Lana Niemann, Elijah Anderson, Scott Owens, Chris Bland

MEMBERS ABSENT: Leon Watson

STAFF PRESENT: Sean Pate, Melba Haralson, Paul Jaap, Al Harrison

GUESTS PRESENT: Jim Bardwell, Christian Allen, Nick Foster, Robert Johnson, Todd Clifton, John Mackey, Mike Spencer

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wells called the meeting to order at 5:03 p.m.

II. WORKSHOP regarding proposed ball park complex

City Manager Sean Pate and Mike Spencer of Heartland Park & Recreation presented an overview of the project at a cost of \$2.3 million.

Mr. Pate briefly discussed debt service payments. He said the City is very comfortable with about 75% of the payment and anticipates the remainder to come from the baseball and softball associations contributing approximately \$10,000 each. He said all the registration fees will be brought into the City and accounted for. GEDCO has also pledged participation and there is a possibility of a future venue tax. Mike Spencer pointed out that another source of revenue is church and co-ed leagues.

Mike Spencer answered questions and gave an estimated completion date of August 2015.

III. ADJOURN

Mayor Pro-tem Shipp moved to adjourn at 5:39 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Owens. Adjourned by consensus.

HAROLD R. WELLS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MELBA HARALSON, CITY SECRETARY