

CITY OF GLADEWATER
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION
AGENDA
APRIL 16, 2015
6:00 P.M.

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

MEMBERS ABSENT: Elijah Anderson

STAFF PRESENT: Sean Pate, Melba Haralson, Madison Hood, Casey Chambers, Paul Jaap, Donna Blalock, Robert Vine

GUESTS PRESENT: Delaney Newman, Janice Green, Daniel Green, David Newman, Charynn McCurdy, Lisa Martin, Summer Martin, Marissa Vasquez, Hunter Ballard, Angelica Owens, Sam Chenoweth, Randy Koss, Jim Bardwell

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

- a) Invocation – Councilmember Owens
- b) Pledge of Allegiance – Mayor Wells

II. CITIZENS COMMENTS

Delaney Newman, 131 Pinto Rd, Gilmer, voiced a complaint against a police officer who she observed run a stop sign that she was recently ticketed for running. She also voiced a complaint against the municipal judge who, in her opinion, abused her authority by the way she spoke to a defendant. Ms. Newman said our police officers believe they are above the law or they are exempt from it and you don't have a fair chance to fight it in court.

III. CONSIDERATION of Consent Agenda

- a) Minutes – March 26, 2015
- b) Investment Report for quarter ending March 31, 2015

Councilmember Watson moved to approve, seconded by Councilmember Owens. Carried 6-0.

IV. UPDATE on Lake Gladewater Boating Access Improvement project

Lake Board Chairman Sam Chenoweth said the plans are finalized and are waiting for the permit to be approved. Once approval is received it will go out for bid. There will be no construction in progress at the time of the July 4th fireworks display so that is no longer a concern. Paul Jaap said there could be changes to the lighting and final plans will be brought to the Council before proceeding.

V. CONSIDERATION of awarding a construction contract for the Group Seal Coat Program project

Jeremy Buechter, SPI Engineers, stated four bids were received. He recommended awarding the contract to the lowest bidder of Reynolds & Kay for \$376,885.96. City Manager Pate added the project will start in June after school is out for the summer. Public Works Director Paul Jaap said there is considerable savings by going with the joint project as this bid came in at \$2.30 per square foot and previous projects were \$3.97 and \$5.00 per square foot.

Councilmember Owens moved to award the bid to Reynolds & Kay for \$376,885.96. Motion seconded by Councilmember Watson. Carried 6-0.

VI. CONSIDERATION of Roden Lane water line upgrade

City Manager Pate stated this is about 800 linear feet of pipe and a portion of it will go from 2" to 6", which will increase the flow and pressure for the new school. Utilities Director Casey Chambers said this benefits the school and city by looping it together. City Manager Pate said we will use bond proceeds to pay for the project.

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VII. EXECUTIVE SESSION pursuant to Government Code 551.074 for annual performance evaluation of City Manager, City Secretary, Municipal Judge, and City Prosecutor

VIII. RECONVENE into open session and take any action necessary regarding performance evaluations of City Manager, City Secretary, Municipal Judge, and City Prosecutor

Councilmember Niemann moved to give City Prosecutor Madison Hood a \$200 per month car allowance, to increase Judge Donna Blalock's car allowance \$100 per month, to give City Secretary Melba Haralson an exceeds expectations performance rating, which moves her to step 13, and to give City Manager Sean Pate a 2.5% increase. All increases to be effective October 1, 2015. Motion seconded by Councilmember Owens. Carried 6-0.

IX. CITY MANAGER'S REPORT

- a) Update on ball park complex and April 25th groundbreaking ceremony at 2 p.m.
- b) Update on relocation of public works facility – Robert Johnson is working with the GEDCO attorney on land acquisition. Clearing will begin after it dries up.
- c) Update on 12" water line project – Still in USDA review. We are wanting project to start close to June 1st so there will be a minimal traffic disruption.

X. ADJOURN

Mayor Pro-tem Shipp moved to adjourn at 9:27 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Owens. Adjourned by consensus.

HAROLD R. WELLS, MAYOR

ATTEST:

MELBA HARALSON, CITY SECRETARY