

CITY OF GLADEWATER  
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR SESSION  
MINUTES  
MARCH 17, 2005  
6:00 P.M.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor John Paul Tallent, Mayor Pro-tem Walter Derrick, Jimmy Williams, Joe Derouen, Jerry Williams, Rhonda Smith, Richard Parrish, Jr.

STAFF PRESENT: Jay Stokes, Melba Haralson, Jimmy Davis, Wayne Smith

GUESTS PRESENT: Gordon Tiner, Mary J. Williams, Cathy Smith, Scott E. Owens, Beverly Tallent, Alfredia Jackson, David Watson, J. Day, Dwayne Wilson, Steve Hoover

I. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Tallent called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. and gave the invocation. The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alfredia Jackson.

II. RECESS INTO EXECUTIVE SESSION PURSUANT TO:

- a) Government Code §551.071 to consult with attorney regarding lease of mineral rights
- b) Government Code §551.072 to discuss sale of real property

The Council recessed into executive session at 6:02 p.m.

III. RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION and take any action necessary regarding

- a) Lease of mineral rights
- b) Sale of real property

The Council reconvened into open session at 6:39 p.m. and took the following action;

- a) Councilmember Jimmy Williams moved to accept the bid from Bruce Olgivie regarding the lease of mineral rights and authorized City Manager Jay Stokes and City Attorney David Watson to negotiate the terms. Motion was seconded by Councilmember Jerry Williams. Carried 7-0.
- b) Councilmember Jerry Williams moved to accept bids for the sale of property at Miller Street, Stewart Street, Lee Street and 6.3 acres known as the old Jaycee Park, seconded by Councilmember Jimmy Williams. Carried 7-0.

IV. CONSIDERATION OF CONSENT AGENDA

- a) Minutes – February 17, 2005
- b) Renewal of agreement with Gladewater Antique Dealers Association (GADA) to adopt the Main Street Pavilion
- c) Annual review and ratification of Investment Policy
- d) Resolution opposing the proposed elimination of the 2006 Community Development Block Grant (CDBG) Program
- e) Consideration of refund of ad valorem taxes
- f) Resolution supporting study of East Texas Oil Field

Motion to approve by Councilmember Smith, seconded by Councilmember Parrish, carried 7-0.

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V. CONSIDERATION OF RESOLUTION regarding application for HOME grant funds

City Manager Stokes explained that this grant would require approximately \$37,000 in matching funds, some of which could be in-kind. He further explained that the funds would be used for new construction of approximately four homes for low income families. Mayor Pro-tem Derrick explained that homeowners are invited to apply for funding and are chosen based on a point system.

Councilmember Jimmy Williams moved to approve the resolution and authorize \$37,050 in matching funds, seconded by Mayor Pro-tem Derrick. Carried 7-0.

VI. CONSIDERATION OF RECOMMENDATION of Kollin Hurt of Texas Timber and Land Management

City Manager Jay Stokes explained that it is the recommendation of Kolin Hurt to accept bids for the sale of timber on properties at East Lake Drive and E. Pacific. He also advised to hold off on the timber at the old dump site as it is not mature enough to harvest at this time.

Councilmember Jimmy Williams moved to accept bids per the recommendation of Kollin Hurt, seconded by Councilmember Derouen. Carried 7-0.

VII. CONSIDERATION OF SETTLEMENT AGREEMENT and revised and extended franchise agreement with Cox Communications, Inc.

Gordon Tiner, representative of Cox Communications and Mayor of Mineola addressed the Council and stated that the franchise agreement is not quite ready to present, but may be ready for the March 29<sup>th</sup> agenda. Mr. Tiner did not anticipate any problem with Mr. Stokes' proposal.

Item tabled until March 29, 2005, at Mr. Tiner's request.

VIII. CONSIDERATION OF BIDS FOR THE FOLLOWING VEHICLES;

- a) 2005 single cab pick-up truck
- b) 2005 extended cab pick-up truck
- c) 2005 4-door mid-size sedan

Bid results were presented and the following action was taken;

- a) Councilmember Parrish moved to accept the low bid from J.O. Williams Ford for \$26,351.96 for the 2005 single cab pick-up truck, seconded by Councilmember Jimmy Williams. Carried 6-0-1, with Councilmember Jerry Williams abstaining.
- b) Councilmember Smith moved to accept the low bid from McKaig Chevrolet for \$23,512.00 for the 2005 extended cab pick-up truck, seconded by Councilmember Parrish. Carried 7-0.
- c) Councilmember Jimmy Williams moved to approve the low bid of \$14,543.65 from J.O. Williams Ford for the 2005 4-door mid-size sedan, seconded by Councilmember Derouen. Carried 6-0-1, with Councilmember Jerry Williams abstaining.

IX. CONSIDERATION OF PURCHASE OF TANKER/PUMPER combo fire truck for \$170,000 with 90/10 FEMA grant

City Manager Stokes commended the Fire Department and Senator John Cornyn's office for their efforts in securing these grant funds.

Councilmember Parrish moved to approve the purchase, seconded by Councilmember Derouen. Carried 7-0.

X. CONSIDERATION OF REQUEST FROM BOYS BASEBALL ASSOCIATION to rename Field #1 and Field #2 at Perryman Fields

Mayor Tallent clarified that the entire complex will still be named Perryman Fields, the request is to rename Field #1 to Carter Abernathy Field and to rename Field #2 to Wade Goetze Field.

Councilmember Derouen moved to rename Field #1 to Carter Abernathy Field, seconded by Councilmember Jerry Williams. Carried 7-0.

Councilmember Smith moved to rename Field #2 to Wade Goetze Field, seconded by Councilmember Parrish. Carried 7-0.

XI. CITIZENS COMMENTS

None.

XII. MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Tallent announced several local events including; the Giants of Law Enforcement Banquet honoring police officers in Gregg County, a Planning & Zoning joint training session with the City of White Oak, Spring Fling sponsored by Gladewater Antique District Association and a city wide clean-up day scheduled for April 16<sup>th</sup>.

He reported that work is continuing on the Hwy. 80 sewer project and that Gregg County Commissioner Bob Barbee assisted with cleaning the right-of-way along Shell Camp Road. The City and Chamber of Commerce received a grant of nearly \$6,000 from the Texas YES Program.

Mayor Tallent also announced the dates of upcoming City Council meetings and that the City election will be May 7, 2005.

XIII. ADOURN

Councilmember Parrish moved to adjourn at 7:15 p.m., seconded by Councilmember Smith. Adjourned by consensus.

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JOHN PAUL TALLENT, MAYOR

ATTEST:

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MELBA HARALSON, CITY SECRETARY