

**City of Timpson
Special Meeting
August 23rd 2010**

The Timpson City Council met for regular special meeting On August 23rd 2010 at 5:30 p.m. with Mayor Debra Smith presiding. Councilman Hailey, Councilman Wolfe, Councilman Grace, and Councilwoman Ramsey were all present. Others present were Pat Oats with Goodwin/Lasiter, Leslie Waxman with Waxman & Associates, Hilda Pena with Timpson/Tenaha News, & Scott Flowers with the Light and Champion, Larry Burns, Paula Mullins, and Police Officer Adam Renfro.

CALLED TO ORDER: Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

INVOCATION: Councilman Grace gave the invocation

PLEDGE: United States Pledge and Texas Pledge

CITIZENS' INPUT: none

CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE: All members of the advisory committee were present. Mr. Ashabranner inquired about the improvement of the Cities water stating that it had improved. Mayor Smith advised the citizens that the improvement to the water was due to a "burnout". The "burnout" period is done periodically and is a process where chlorine is temporarily substituted for las. Mrs. Pena inquired about substandard buildings being required to be in compliance with city ordinances. Mayor Smith stated that this is a tedious process and that the city is working on getting these ordinances enforced and substandard buildings in compliance

COUNCIL ITEMS: None

Minutes and Financial Reports:

Minutes: The Council reviewed the minutes from the July 20th 2010 regular meeting. Councilman Grace made the motion to approve the minutes as written. Councilman Hailey seconded the motion and the vote was all ayes.

Financial Statements: The financial statements for the month of July 2010 were presented. Councilman Hailey moved to approve the financial statements as printed. Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion and the vote was all ayes.

Payable: Accounts payable were presented for the month of August 2010 totaling \$161473.76. The accounts payable included Detec purchases of \$128843.24 and regular payables of \$ 32630.32. Councilman Wolfe made a motion to approve the account payables. Councilman Grace seconded the motion the vote was all ayes.

Old Business: None

- A. Speed humps on Church Street:** There was discussion on the cost of the speed humps estimated to cost \$2400.00-\$3200.00 each and it was recommended that our officers continue to control problem areas and that the public works make sure children at play signs are posted until the budget is reviewed to see if the City is able to expend funds to place speed humps in the problem areas of the City.

New Business:

- A. Proposals for the 2010 CDBG Water Improvements Project:** After reviewing proposals submitted for administration and management services of this grant by David J. Waxman & Associates, Councilman Wolfe offered a motion to approve the proposal submitted by Waxman. Councilman Hailey seconded the motion and all were in favor. The City Council reviewed proposals for Engineering Services by Goodwin-Lasiter, L&L Engineers and

Planners, Inc., d.p. Consulting Engineers, Inc. and Schaumburg & Polk. After comparing qualifications and past work history, Councilwoman Ramsey offered a motion to award the Engineering services to Goodwin-Lasiter. The motion was seconded by Councilman Wolfe and all were in agreement.

- B. Pat Oats regarding small purchase procurement price quotations on the TDRA IKE 1 Project:** The City Council had an in depth discussion with Pat Oats regarding the purchase and installation of a 30 kw Diesel Standby Generator for the Lift Station on N. Third Street. The purchase will be made with Grant funds allocated for construction in the amount of \$22880.00, Councilwoman Ramsey offered a motion to approve option number one (1): \$15,331.00 for the generator plus \$10,869.00 for installation of the slab, generator electrical, and fencing. The City will be responsible for all gravel materials and work. The total project cost will be \$26,200.00 therefore the City will be responsible for funding \$3,320.00. Councilman Grace seconded the motion and all were in agreement. The matching funds will be allocated in the 2010/2011 Budget.

- C. Pat Oats Regarding Construction of the Reverse Osmosis System for the Treatment System at the Main Water Plant:** After an in depth discussion with Leslie Waxman and Pat Oats regarding the options for improvement of our water system, Councilman Wolfe offered a motion to approve Resolution 8-23-2010-1 authorizing Waxman & Associates to apply for a grant in the amount of \$275,000.00 that will require approximately \$35,000.00 match from the City to install a Chlorine Dioxide System. Councilman Hailey seconded the motion and all were in favor.

- D. Resolution authorizing a grant application is submitted on the Cities Behalf for installation of an RO system:** This Resolution was amended and approved while considering item C.

- E. Troy Jordan & Electric deposit reduction:** Mr. Jordan addressed the Council requesting that the required deposit for electric service at 779 North First Street be reduced to \$500.00. He stated that there was an electrical problem at the location causing the previous rentals electric usage to be higher than normal and that the electrical problem had been corrected so his usage will be lower. He also stated he will not be using the facility as a restaurant which will impact his electric usage. The City Secretary stated that all classes of customers must be treated equally therefore there cannot be an exception made on an individual basis. The only way that the regulations can be made will be by amending the ordinance. The Mayor informed Mr. Jordan that after twelve months the electric bill will be re-evaluated and if the average is less, he will get a refund.

- F. Pete Andrews regarding the sale of the 1981 Dodge Truck:** After a brief discussion regarding the sale of this truck, Councilman Grace offered a motion to take bids on this truck and to have them turned in by the next Council meeting. Councilwoman Ramsey seconded the motion and the vote was all ayes.

- G. Resale of Trust Property:** The Council reviewed properties that were recently bid on at a public auction. The bid on the Roberts property of \$3500.00 was considered. Councilman Wolfe offered a motion to accept the bid. Councilman Hailey seconded the motion and all were in agreement. The bid on the Runnels property of \$15000.00 was reviewed. Councilman Hailey offered a motion to reject the property. Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion and all were in agreement. The bid on the Wilson property was reviewed. Councilman Grace offered a motion to approve the bid for \$75.00. Councilwoman Ramsey seconded the motion and all were in favor. The bid on the Curtis property was reviewed.

- Councilman Hailey offered a motion to approve the bid in the amount of \$6500.00. Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion and all were in favor. The bid on the Richards property was reviewed. Councilman Hailey offered a motion to accept the bid in the amount of \$3,100.00. Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion and all were in favor.

- H. TML IRP Board of Trustee Nominations:** After a brief discussion, Councilman Hailey offered a motion to table this item until the September meeting. Councilwoman Ramsey seconded the motion and all were in favor.

- I. Bids on mowing City Property:** After a brief discussion, Councilwoman Ramsey offered a motion to advertise for bids on mowing city right of ways, parks, square, etc. Councilman Hailey seconded the motion and all were in favor.

- J. City of Timpson Personnel Policy:** The City Council reviewed the new personnel policy for the City of Timpson employees. Councilman Wolfe offered a motion to adopt the handbook with the exception of the removal of the policy regarding insurance after retirement and the FMLA policy. Councilman Wolfe stated that providing insurance to City of Timpson employees who retire until they reach the age of 65 years old may place a financial burden on the City therefore it needs to be removed from the draft. Councilman Wolfe stated that the FMLA policy may also place a burden on the City. Councilman Hailey seconded the motion and all were in agreement.

- K. Ordinance 2010-08-23-1 Tobacco Use:** After a brief discussion, Councilman Wolfe offered a motion to adopt this ordinance prohibiting tobacco use in City owned buildings, on City property, and while operating City equipment. Smokeless tobacco may be used under

- certain circumstances, such as while operating City equipment/automobiles. Councilwoman Ramsey seconded the motion and all were in agreement.
- L. Certificate of Deposit in the amount of \$100,000.00:** After a brief discussion on Certificate of Deposit rates and terms, Councilman Wolfe offered a motion to secure the funds with Austin Bank. The funds are to be put into a CD for a two year term. Councilman Hailey seconded the motion and all were in agreement.
- M. Proposals for Depository Services:** The City Secretary explained that our contract with Austin bank will be expiring in Austin therefore the City needs to advertise for proposals for depository services. After a brief discussion, Councilman Wolfe offered a motion to advertise for proposals. Councilwoman Ramsey seconded the motion and all were in agreement.
- N. K-9's Police Department:** After a discussion by the Council and the liability concerns related to having personal K-9's on duty with Police officers, Councilman Hailey offered a motion to add both Kent Gramams K-9 and Hilton Poindexters K-9 to the law enforcement liability coverage for the City. Councilwoman Ramsey seconded the motion and all were in agreement.
- O. Medical, Dental, Life, AD&D coverage/stipend for City employees:** After discussion by the Council regarding rate increases on the current coverage for employees with TML, Councilman Wolfe offered a motion to move our group coverage to Blue/Cross Blue-Shield-medical, Delta Dental-dental, MWG Vision-vision, & Reliance Standard-life & ad&d coverage. The employees will have the option to "opt-out" of coverage and receive a \$500.00 stipend. This will allow employees the option to become a dependant on a spouse's plan/purchase individual coverage. The employee's who "opt-out" must show proof of medical insurance to qualify for the stipend. The coverage will be re-verified every six months. Councilwoman Ramsey seconded the motion and all were in favor.
- P. Executive Session, L.G.C. 551.074, personnel matters, regarding call-out pay/compensation for code enforcement for the Police Chief, Hilton Poindexter:** The Council retired into executive session at 7:27 p.m.
- Q. Reconvene to Open Session:** The Council reconvened to open session at 7:38 p.m.
- R. Discussion/Action regarding Call-Out Pay/Code Enforcement Compensation for the Police Chief:** No action was taken on this item
- S. Proposed Budget:** The City Secretary distributed a copy of the proposed budget advising the City Council that a public hearing on the budget and tax rate will be held on Friday September 10th and a special meeting to adopt the budget will be held on September 24th 2010.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS:

City Secretary: The City Secretary informed the Council that the City will be receiving a refund from TMLIRP in December in the amount of \$4159.00.

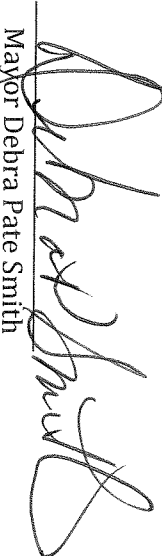
Police Department: Chief Poindexter was unable to attend the meeting. Officer Renfro gave the report for the police department responded to 69 calls in the month of July 2010. Four of the calls were thefts, four disturbances, two assaults, four 10/50's, one criminal mischief, two animal cruelties, one burglary, three disorderly conducts, fifty two miscellaneous, and two arrests were made.

Public Works Department: There was no report in public works. Mr. Burns asked if the public works would get compensated for overtime if they are called in off of vacation. The Mayor stated that they would.

Municipal Court: Paula Mullins reported that the municipal generated gross revenue of \$13,270.50 for the month of July 2010. A total of 44 citations were issued for the month.

Adjournment: Councilman Hailey offered a motion to adjourn at 8:43p.m. Councilwoman Grace seconded the motion and all were in agreement.

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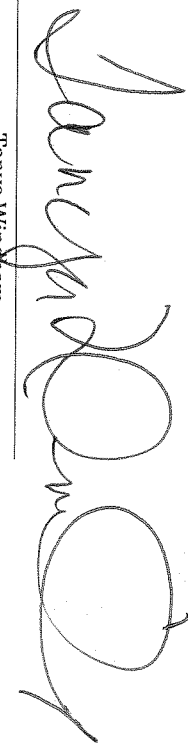
Mayor Debra Pate Smith

THE STATE OF TEXAS)
COUNTY OF SHELBY)

CERTIFICATION

I, Tanya Windham, City Secretary of the City of Timpson, Texas, do hereby certify that I am the custodian of the records of the City of Timpson, Texas, and that the following are true and correct copies of the Minutes of the City Council Meeting conducted on August 23rd 2010.

WITNESS MY HAND and official seal of the City of Timpson, Texas, on this 26th day of August 2010.



Tanya Windham
City Secretary, City of Timpson, TX