

**City of Timpson
Regular Meeting]
July 20th 2010**

The Timpson City Council met for their regular monthly meeting on Tuesday July 20th 2010 at 5:30 p.m. With Mayor Debra Smith presiding. Councilman Hailey, Councilman Grace, and Councilman Wolfe were present. Councilwoman Ramsey was absent. Others present included Tommy Sparks, Larry Burns, Paula Mullins, Hilton Poindexter, Kent Graham, Hilda Pena, Tiffany Curtis, Nolan Ashabranner, John Tutt.

CALLED TO ORDER: Mayor Smith called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

INVOCATION: Larry Burns gave the invocation

PLEDGE: United States Pledge and Texas Pledge

CITIZENS' INPUT: . none

CITIZEN'S ADVISORY COMMITTEE: Mayor Smith asked if there was anything to report by the committee related to city business. Tiffany Curtis stated that there was still an issue with the water quality, streets, and playground equipment in the City Park. Mayor Smith stated that the City had just been awarded a grant for the water department in the amount of \$250,000.00. Mayor Smith also stated that the street improvement would be a long process and would be addressed overtime. Mayor Pro-Tem Wolfe stated that there has not been grant funding available in the past for streets and because street paving is expensive, the process to repair streets has been slow. Mayor Pro-Tem Wolfe also stated that a separate fund should have been set up several years ago for a permanent street fund and he would like to see that this is taken care of. Mayor Smith also stated that City Secretary Tanya Windham has been in touch with the Texas Parks & Wildlife in reference to numerous grants including grants for playground equipment.

COUNCIL ITEMS: None

Minutes and Financial Reports:

Minutes: The Council reviewed the minutes from the June 15th 2010 regular meeting. Councilman Hailey made the motion to approve the minutes as written. Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion and the vote was all ayes.

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

Payable: Accounts payable were presented for the month of July 2010 totaling \$168325.96. The accounts payable included Detec purchases of \$105325.96 and regular payables of \$ 63220.12. Councilman Hailey made a motion to approve the account payables. Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion the vote was all ayes.

Old Business:

- A. **Speed Bumps on Church Street:** Mayor Smith clarified that the City is looking into the possibility of installing speed humps, less aggressive than speed bumps. Mayor Smith stated that pricing still needs to be researched and that this business will be taken up at the next regular meeting for discussion. No action on this item
- B. **Emergency warning siren:** Mayor Smith stated that Mr. Brown will need to pick up the siren and that there will not be a siren installed at this time. Union Pacific has been contacted and they may be able to assist with the purchase of a siren in the future. The old warning siren that the city has possession of that was received through a grant must stay in the cities possession until 2011. No action was taken on this item.
- C.

New Business:

- A. **2009 POLICE INTERCEPTOR:** After a discussion by the Council, Councilman Wolfe offered a motion to purchase the automobile with all necessary equipment including the camera and radar for a total of \$31136.04 and to finance the automobile less the down payment of \$1,136.04 with Texas State Bank. The amount to finance less the down payment will be \$30,000.00 and will be financed for a 48 month term at an interest rate of 4.65% unless a better rate is offered by Austin Bank. Councilman Hailey seconded the motion. Councilman Grace abstained from voting. The motion passed by majority vote. (present and voting)
- B. **2010 TXCDBG WATER IMPROVEMENT PROJECT:** Mayor Smith stated that the City was just funded for a Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$250,000.00 requiring zero match dollars. The grant will include the placement of approximately 1900 linear feet of 6 inch and 8 inch water main, related valves, road bores, fire hydrants, service transfers, and other associated appurtenances. The location of the activity will be North Second Street to Railroad Street and Ross Graves to Marcus Street. The activities will benefit 1,094 citizens. No action was taken on this item
- C. **American Legion Meetings:** After a discussion by the Council, Councilman Hailey offered a motion to allow the American Legion to conduct their monthly meetings the first Saturday of the month at the Community Building in So-So Park. The American Legion, upon donating the building to the City, had an agreement that when the building was remodeled and available for rental, they would like to have their meetings there at no cost. Councilman Wolfe seconded the motion and the vote was all ayes.
- D. **Planning and Capacity Grant:** The City Secretary informed the Council of the awarding of this Community Development Block Grant in the amount of \$39,150.00 requiring a match amount of \$1,958.00. This grant application was submitted in 2008. The grant provides several studies of the City and will assist the City in the future development of the City and will be a useful tool with future grant application submissions. No action was taken on this item
- E. **Budget Workshop:** The City Secretary provided the City Council with a schedule of activities related to the budget including workshops and public hearings. No action was taken on this item.

REPORTS FROM DEPARTMENTS:

City Secretary: N/A.

Police Department: Chief Poindexter stated that the department responded to and assessed the following in June 2010: 5 accidents, 41 miscellaneous calls, 6 thefts, 6 assaults, 4 criminal mischief's,

3 burglaries, 6 alarms, 3 trespassing calls, 1 terroristic threat, 1 harassment, 1 animal cruelty call, 3 disturbances, made 5 arrests and issued 10 warrants.

Public Works Department: N/A

Municipal Court: Paula Mullins reported that there were 68 citations/75 violations issued in June. Gross revenue for the municipal court was reported at \$29,002.56.

Adjournment: Councilman Wolfe offered a motion to adjourn at 6:20 p.m. Councilwoman Hailey seconded the motion and all were in agreement.

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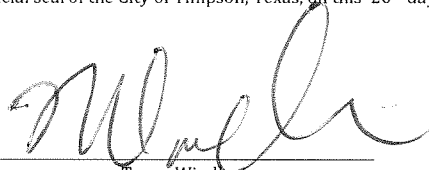
Mayor Debra Pate Smith

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 July 20th 2010.

WITNESS MY HAND and official seal of the City of Timpson, Texas, on this 20th day of July 2010.



Tanya Windham
City Secretary, City of Timpson, TX