

Julie Masters, Mayor
Charles Suderman
Mary Dunbaugh
Walter Wilson, Mayor Pro Tem

MINUTES
City of Dickinson
CITY COUNCIL
REGULAR MEETING

Kerry Neves
Louis Decker
William H. King III
Julie M. Johnston, City
Administrator

MAY 11, 2010

The Dickinson City Council met in a duly called and announced **REGULAR MEETING** on **TUESDAY, MAY 11, 2010**. The meeting was held in the City Council Chambers located at 4403 Highway 3, Dickinson, Galveston County, Texas, and was held for the purpose of considering the following items:

ITEM 1.) CALL TO ORDER AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance

Mayor Julie Masters called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Carol McLemore gave the Invocation and Louis Decker led the Pledge of Allegiance. City Secretary Carol McLemore called roll and certified a quorum. Council Members present were as follows: Mayor Julie Masters, Mayor Pro Tem William King and Council Members Mary Dunbaugh, Walter Wilson, Kerry Neves, and Louis Decker. Councilman Charles Suderman was absent. Also present were City Attorney, Loren Smith, City Administrator Julie Johnston, Police Chief Ron Morales, Director of Public Works Kellis George, Finance Director Mary Young and Fire Marshal Norman Hicks.

ITEM 2.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Resolution Number 1121-2010 - **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, CANVASSING THE RETURNS AND DECLARING THE RESULTS OF THE GENERAL ELECTION HELD ON MAY 8, 2010, FOR THE PURPOSE OF ELECTING THREE (3) COUNCIL MEMBERS.**

Mayor Masters read the resolution in full which canvassed the results of the City Council Election held May 8, 2010 as follows:

CANDIDATE

VOTES RECEIVED

COUNCIL MEMBER POSITION 2

Mary Dunbaugh	384
Dawn King	169

COUNCIL MEMBER POSITION 4

Kerry Neves

424

COUNCIL MEMBER POSITION 6

William H. King, III

369

Councilman Wilson made a motion to approve Resolution Number 1121-2010 declaring Mary Dunbaugh, Kerry Neves and William H. King, III elected. Councilman Decker seconded the motion.

VOTE:

5 AYES (Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

MOTION PASSED.

ITEM 3.) SWEARING-IN OF NEWLY ELECTED OFFICIALS

County Commissioner Stephen Holmes administered the Oath of Office to Councilman William King.

Judge Lonnie Cox administered the Oath of Office to Council Members Kerry Neves and Mary Dunbaugh.

Mayor Pro Tem King made a motion to recess the meeting at 7:05 p.m. for refreshments for the newly-elected Council Members. Councilman Wilson seconded the motion.

VOTE:

5 AYES (Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

MOTION PASSED.

Mayor Masters reconvened the meeting at 7:23 p.m.

ITEM 4.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Election of Mayor Pro Tem.

Mayor Masters opened the floor for nominations for Mayor Pro Tem. Councilman King nominated Kerry Neves. Councilwoman Dunbaugh nominated Councilman Walter Wilson. Councilman King made a motion that nominations cease. Councilman Neves declined the nomination.

Councilwoman Dunbaugh made a motion to name Councilman Walter Wilson as Mayor Pro Tem. Councilman King seconded the motion.

VOTE:

5 AYES (Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

MOTION PASSED.

ITEM 5.) PROCLAMATIONS AND COUNCIL COMMENTS:

City Council commented on the following topics:

- Welcome to everyone and thanks for coming.
- The election and thanks to all who voted
- Friends of the Library Bookmark Contest held at the Schools
- Congratulations to Newly Elected Council Members
- Disappointment over Jennifer Schuett Case
- Red White and Bayou Crawfish and Texas Music Festival to be held Saturday, May 15.
- Memorial Services scheduled this week for Police Officers who died in the line of duty.
- Kudos to City Administrator Julie Johnston for her work on the Red, White and Bayou Crawfish and Texas Music Festival

Mayor Julie Masters presented certificates of the appreciation to the Census Complete Count Committee who had assisted in getting people to register with the census.

ITEM 6.) PUBLIC COMMENTS

Bruce Henderson, 5429 Thornwood Circle, spoke to Council regarding drainage work in his neighborhood and the replacement of fences.

Ellie Childs of the Friends of the Library commented to Council on the use of the public computers at the Library.

ITEM 7.) CONSENT AGENDA: CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION:

The following items were considered routine by the City Council and were enacted by one motion. There was not a separate discussion on these items.

- A. Approval of Minutes of Special Council Workshop of April 27, 2010
- B. Approval of Minutes of Regular Council Meeting of April 27, 2010
- C. Approval of Minutes of Special Council Workshop of May 4, 2011

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda. Councilman King seconded the motion.

VOTE:

5 AYES (Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

MOTION PASSED.

OLD BUSINESS

ITEM 8.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: City Hall/Library Project including the following items:

- A. Update on HVAC Issues.
Fire Marshal Norman Hicks updated City Council on the HVAC issues.
- B. Update on Landscaping Through TxDOT Grant and Installation of Irrigation System and Drains.
The City Administrator updated Council on the landscaping and irrigation system and drains.
- C. Update on Status of Survey and Replat of Property.
The City Administrator updated the Council on the status of the survey. She noted that the final replat would be taken up by the Planning and Zoning Commission on May 18 and would be on the next Council Agenda for approval.
- D. Update on Installation of Manual Emergency Transfer Switch at Dickinson City Hall.
Fire Marshal Norman Hicks noted that the switch has been ordered and will be installed in a few weeks at a time when City Hall is not being used for the weekend.
- E. Update on Installation of Texas Accessibility Standard (TAS) Approved Door Operating System for the Main Entrance at Dickinson City Hall.
Fire Marshal Norman Hicks reported on the work that is planned to install the TAS approved door operating system.

ITEM 9.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Update on Public Works Projects including the following items:

- A. Winding Brook Drainage Project
Public Works Director Kellis George gave a power point presentation showing the drainage encroachment issues and explaining the work that needs to be done. After some discussion, the City Administrator advised the Council that staff would work with the City Attorney with regard to the encroachment issues.
- B. Lovers Lane Reconstruction Project
City Administrator Julie Johnston gave an update on the project.

- C. Avenue J Reconstruction Project
City Administrator Julie Johnston gave an update on the project.
- D. 44th Street Reconstruction Project
- E. Sunset Drive (Timber Drive to Highway 3) Reconstruction Project
- F. Oak Ridge Reconstruction Project
City Administrator Julie Johnston noted that survey work was being done on 44th Street, Sunset and the Oak Ridge Reconstruction projects in preparation for the engineering.

ITEM 10.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Update on Hurricane Ike CDBG Projects.

City Administrator Julie Johnston indicated that there was nothing new to report at this time.

ITEM 11.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Update on Red, White and Bayou Crawfish and Texas Music Festival.

City Administrator Julie Johnston updated City Council on the plans for the Red, White and Bayou Crawfish and Texas Music Festival.

ITEM 12.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Naming of Study Room in Dickinson Public Library in Honor of Preston Briggs.

The City Administrator advised that this item was being brought back to City Council for consideration after the approval of the naming rights policy at the last meeting. Councilwoman Dunbaugh made a motion to approve naming a study room at the Library in honor of Preston Briggs. Mayor Pro Tem Wilson seconded the motion.

VOTE:

5 AYES (Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

MOTION PASSED.

NEW BUSINESS

ITEM 13.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Resolution Number 1122-2010 - **A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DICKINSON, TEXAS, APPROVING THE SUBMISSION OF A GRANT APPLICATION FOR THE BULLETPROOF VEST PARTNERSHIP GRANT PROGRAM TO THE U. S. DEPARTMENT OF JUSTICE, OFFICE OF JUSTICE PROGRAMS; AND PROVIDING FOR INCORPORATION OF PREAMBLE AND AN EFFECTIVE DATE.**

Mayor Masters read the ordinance by caption only. Councilman Decker made a motion to approve Resolution Number 1122-2010. Councilman King seconded the motion.

VOTE:

5 AYES (Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

MOTION PASSED.

ITEM 14.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Authorizing City Staff to Submit an Application for the Assistance to Firefighters Grant (AFG) Fire Prevention and Safety for the Purchase of Additional Gear and Equipment.

Fire Marshal Norman Hicks requested Council's permission to apply for the grant for 2010. He explained the purpose in applying for the grant and the match that would be required. Councilman Neves made a motion to approve the application for the grant. Councilman King made the second.

VOTE:

5 AYES (Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

MOTION PASSED.

ITEM 15.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Use of Funds Designated in General Fund for City Fest for Red, White & Bayou Crawfish & Texas Music Festival to Cover Police and Public Safety Overtime Resulting from Festival.

The City Administrator requested Council's permission to use funds designated in the General Fund for City Fest for the Red, White and Bayou Crawfish & Texas Music Festival to cover any overtime for the Police and Public Safety employees resulting from the Festival. Councilwoman Dunbaugh made a motion to approve using the funds for the Red, White and Bayou Festival. Councilman King seconded the motion.

VOTE:

5 AYES (Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves, Decker and King)

0 NAYS

MOTION PASSED.

ITEM 16.) DISCUSSION AND DIRECTION CONCERNING: Proposed Preliminary Budget Calendar and Budget Process for Fiscal Year 2010-2011.

The City Administrator reviewed the proposed budget calendar and budget process with Council. Council took no action in this matter.

ITEM 17.) EXECUTIVE SESSION: The City Council will now hold a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provision of Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes annotated, in accordance with the authority contained in:

A. Section 551.071 – Consultation with Attorney regarding potential or contemplated litigation or a matter in which the duty of the City Attorney requires to be discussed in closed meeting.

1. Sharon Ramsey, Individually and as Next Friend of Rachel Ramsey, a Minor v. League City, The City of Dickinson and Galveston County; Cause No. 09-00247, United States District Court for the Southern District of Texas, Galveston Division.

The City Administrator noted that there was no reason to convene into Executive Session since there was nothing new to report on the case.

ITEM 18.) RECONVENE

ITEM 19.) CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: Matters Discussed in Executive Session.

ITEM 20.) ADJOURN

Councilwoman Dunbaugh made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:23 p.m. Councilman King seconded the motion.

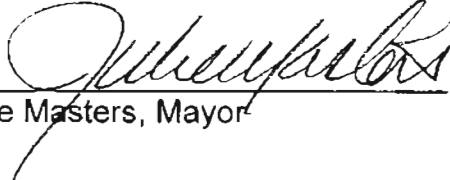
VOTE:

5 AYES (Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves, Decker and King)

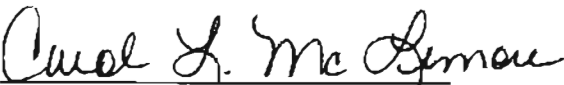
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MOTION PASSED.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this the 25th day of May, 2010.


Julie Masters, Mayor

ATTEST:


Carol L. McLemore
City Secretary

