

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

MINUTES
City of Dickinson
CITY COUNCIL
SPECIAL WORKSHOP
MEETING

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

AUGUST 3, 2010

The Dickinson City Council met in a duly called and announced **SPECIAL WORKSHOP MEETING** on **TUESDAY, AUGUST 3, 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

Mayor Masters called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. City Secretary Carol McLemore called roll and certified a quorum. Council Members present were as follows: Mayor Julie Masters, Mayor Pro Tem Walter Wilson and Council Members Charles Suderman, Mary Dunbaugh, Kerry Neves, and Louis Decker. Also present were City Administrator Julie Johnston, Chief Ron Morales, Captain Melvin Mason, Fire Marshal Norman Hicks, Public Works Director Kellis George, Finance Director Mary Young, Building Official Kevin Byal, Assistant Fire Marshal Lee Darrow, Court Administrator Irma Rivera, Coordinator Angela Forbes and EMS Coordinator Daniel Swaney. Councilman William King arrived at 7:01 p.m.

ITEM 2.) BRIEFING, CONSIDERATION AND POSSIBLE ACTION CONCERNING: FY 2010-2011 Recommended Budget and Proposed Projects

City Administrator Julie Johnston passed out revisions to the recommended budget. She gave a power point presentation explaining the budget process, revenue projections and proposed projects. She reported that the certified tax rolls and effective and rollback tax rates had been received. She informed Council that the appraised values were up by \$12 million and the calculated effective tax rate was \$.4061 and the rollback rate was \$.4284. Ms. Johnston advised that, if the Council approved using last year's tax rate of \$.4086 for the recommended FY 2010-2011 budget, it would be over the effective tax rate and the City would be required to publish an ad in the newspaper and hold two public hearings in compliance with State law. She explained major changes in the drainage, seized funds and technology areas of the budget and requested additional direction with regard to 7 additional desktop 800 mHz radios that were needed by the Police Department. She explained that the funding discussed at the last meeting would not cover all the radios that would be needed and that an additional \$15,400.00 was needed to purchase the desktop 800 mHz radios.

Ms. Johnston then requested direction from the Council with regard to the re-chassis of Medic 2 and the implementation of Medic 2 on a full-time basis. Fire Marshal Norman Hicks explained the activity that Medic 2 has had in the current year and the projected revenues if it were manned full-time. The City Administrator explained that a recent quote to re-chassis Medic 2 was \$75,000.00 which was a reduction from the original quote of \$80,000.00. She said that, regardless of whether the City Council approved the implementation of Medic 2 on a full-time basis, the re-chassis of Medic 2 was necessary. Discussion followed.

Ms. Johnston distributed a Revised Unfunded Supplement Chart and a request from the Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department that had been received just prior to the start of the Council meeting for an increase of \$10,000.00 in allocation to cover additional costs for fuel and insurance.

Ms. Johnston discussed the funding from Dickinson Management District #1 and the Dickinson Economic Development Corporation that had been incorporated into the Revenue for the General Fund Budget. She noted that the DEDC had given direction for a reduction in funding of the City Administrator's salary from the requested 25% to 15%. Discussion followed concerning the City Administrator's work with regard to economic development projects. Ms. Johnston distributed a memo outlining her work on economic development. Mark Townsend, Chairman of Dickinson Economic Development Corporation, explained the DEDC's reasoning for the reduction. Discussion followed about the communication between DEDC and the City and the process for the approval of DEDC's budget. It was the consensus of Council to request that the percentage of the City Administrator's salary to be reimbursed by DEDC be 25%.

It was the consensus of Council to incorporate the expenditure of \$15,400.00 for 7 additional desktop 800 mHz radios and directed that the funds for this expenditure be taken out of the former drilling bond funds. With regard to the re-chassis of Medic 2, it was the consensus of Council to fund a portion of the re-chassis from the \$28,747 remaining in the Reserve for EMS and to request funding from DMD#1 for the remainder of the cost of the re-chassis. Council was also in consensus to implement Medic 2 on a full-time basis, to budget the Transfer from the General Fund to the EMS Enterprise Fund, and to request the balance of the funds needed for such Transfer from the DMD#1. Council also directed that the additional funds requested by the Dickinson Volunteer Fire Department be incorporated into the recommended budget.

ITEM 3.) ADJOURN

Mayor Pro Tem Wilson made a motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:55 p.m. Councilwoman Dunbaugh seconded the motion.

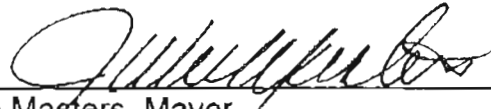
VOTE:

6 AYES (Suderman, Dunbaugh, Wilson, Neves Decker and King)

0 NAYS


MOTION PASSED.

PASSED, APPROVED AND ADOPTED this the 24th day of August, 2010.



Julie Masters, Mayor

ATTEST:



Carol L. McLemore, City Secretary

