

REGULAR TOWN BOARD MEETING

March 17, 2009

Present: Mayor Guy Barriger

Comm. Jack Lerner, Comm. Ronnie Robinette, & Comm. Kenny Poole

Comm. George B. Holleman - Absent

The regular meeting was opened for business by Mayor Barriger at 5:30 p.m.

The invocation was given by Jerry Twiggs. The Pledge of Allegiance followed.

A motion was made by Comm. Poole and seconded by Comm. Robinette to approve the agenda with following addition. Add item 6a: call for Public Hearing for Local Government Commission installment loan application. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Comm. Lerner and seconded by Comm. Poole to approve the March 3, 2009 regular meeting minutes. Passed unanimously.

Open Forum:

No comments were heard.

Mayor Barriger opened the public hearing regarding consolidation of installment public fund debt. Town Manager, David Odom stated that the town has three installment loans in the General Fund totaling \$164,148.10. Quotes were received for re-financing the existing debt in order to receive a lower interest rate, thus saving money on the amount of interest paid through out the life of the loans. After discussion, the lowest rate was received from 1st Community Bank at 2.75% for 5 years. One loan is due in June and will be paid in full. The other two can be re-financed and see a savings in the amount of interest that will be paid over the life of the loan. Also, as part of the quote, 1st Community Bank offered to loan on new debt for 3 new police cars the 2.75% rate for 60 months. Commissioner Lerner stated that we will have to have the new police cars in next years budget, so we might as well pay for them now or pay later and possibly have to pay higher interest rates the longer we wait. No other comments were heard and the meeting was closed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Lerner, and seconded by Commissioner Poole to refinance the street sweeper loan and the existing loan for the 3 existing patrol cars into one loan at 2.75% for 5 years with 1st Community Bank. The balance is approximately \$137,551.10. The oldest police car loan will payoff in June and is to be paid off as due by the original terms of the loan. In addition, as part of the new loan to re-finance the existing debt, additional money sufficient to purchase 3 new police cars will be included. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner Lerner to set a public hearing on April 7th, 2009 at 5:30 p.m. to hear citizen comments regarding the Local Government Commission installment loan financing application for possible water and sewer projects targeted in association with the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act associated with the Federal Stimulus package. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Robinette, seconded by Commissioner Lerner to award the bid to Brent Scarborough & Company for the manhole rehabilitation project associated with the RECD project grant. This phase will be a test run and if successful further manhole rehabilitation may be possible under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act associated with the Federal Stimulus package. This will repair approximately 250 linear feet of manholes with a cement & epoxy mixture for \$40,000.00. This process has a fifty year warranty. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner Robinette to award the bid to JT Russell Paving Company for re-surfacing some town streets. The total to spend now is not to exceed \$80,000.00. This is for re-surfacing with 1 & ½ in. asphalt @ \$64.00 per ton. This is a very good price compared to what prices were per ton 1 year ago. This phase will be to repair much needed areas and further re-surfacing may be possible under the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act associated with the Federal Stimulus package. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Robinette, seconded by Commissioner Lerner to adopt a Resolution Regarding Sewer Projects Clean Water Infrastructure Act of 2005 through the American Recovery & Reinvestment Act. Passed unanimously. See attachment A, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner Robinette to adopt a Resolution regarding a Manhole Rehabilitation Project through the American Recovery and Reinvestment Act. Passed unanimously. See attachment B, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner Lerner to award the bid for to Smart Electric in the amount of \$56,025.00 for the wireless monitoring system associated with the NCRED grant project for the WWTP upgrade. Passed unanimously.

A motion was made by Commissioner Poole, seconded by Commissioner Lerner to adopt a Resolution of Intent Regarding Black Oak School at Matheson Park. See attachment C, which is hereby incorporated and made a part of these minutes.

Town Manager, David Odom is to seek possible use of the vacant field beside Town Park ball field and to contact the owners and explore available options.

Arbor week is March 15th through March 21st, 2009. A tree will be planted in the median near the Democrat headquarters on Friday March 20, 2009 at 9:30am.

By unanimous consent the next meeting was set for April 7, 2009 at 5:30 pm.

With no more business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 p.m.

Mayor

Commissioner

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Attest:

Yolanda Prince, Town Clerk