

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF DUMAS, TEXAS
NOVEMBER 3, 2014
6:30 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THERE CAME AND WAS HELD A REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DUMAS, TEXAS IN THE DUMAS COMMISSION CHAMBERS/MUNICIPAL COURT ROOM, 124 EAST 7TH STREET OF SAID CITY:

Members Present:

Mayor Pat L. Sims
Mayor Pro Tem David M. Bonner
Commissioner Michael L. Funk
Commissioner Vernon McDowell
Commissioner Steve Bodnar
City Manager Vince DiPiazza
City Attorney Tom Moore

Others Present: Kim Rehkopf, Dottie Crockett, Jim Nelson, Arbie Taylor, Meredith Laurent, Isidro Renteria, Jimmy Payne, Dan Curl, Kim Taylor, Anita McDowell, Tom Ferguson, Gene Legg, Sandy Gore, Julie Evenson, Carol Ford, Berette Hart, James Hutcherson, Dianna Cartwright, Sam Cartwright, Lindsey Hammock, Jeff Turner, Ronda Crow, Martin Swanson, Patsy Brown, Eddy Brown, James Allen, Kathy Fuston, Paul J. Jenkins, Curtis Bishop, David Swinford, Harold Grall, Ray Oglesby, Elizabeth Gonzales, Ashley Smith, Grace Pierson, Danielle Turner, Carol Ledbetter, Cari Harp, Mike Running, Larry White, Cheryl Clark, Eddy Riggins, Jayme Riggins, Jayme Clark, Juan Longoria, Yessenia Longoria, Sean Leong, MD, and Billie Faye Schumacher.

Mayor Sims called the meeting to order.

A motion was made by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, and passed unanimously to approve the October 20, 2014 Regular City Commission meeting minutes and paying the bills.

Mayor Sims opened the Formal Session.

Mike Running, Director of the Dumas Economic Development Corporation (DEDC), presented their board reappointments. Mr. Running said that the terms of Harold Grall, David Swinford and Pat Sims would expire December 31, 2014. DEDC is recommending the Commission reappoint these three board members. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Bonner, seconded by Mayor Sims, to reappoint Harold Grall, David Swinford and Pat Sims. Mayor Sims and Commissioner Funk abstained. City Attorney Tom Moore said the motion is to approve all three nominees or other nominations could be made. Mayor Sims asked if anyone was opposed. Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Bodnar opposed. Motion did not pass. Mayor Sims asked if there were other nominations to the DEDC board and there were none. A motion was made by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bonner, and passed by a majority vote to approve the DEDC board reappointments of Harold Grall and Pat Sims. Mayor Sims abstained. Mr. Moore said the third appointment should be tabled. Commissioner Bodnar asked Mr. Running if there were other nominees to present. Mr. Running will present other nominees at a future meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Bonner said it was a huge mistake to not reappoint David Swinford. A motion was made by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Commissioner

Bodnar, and passed by a majority vote to table the third DEDC board reappointment. Mayor Sims and Mayor Pro Tem Bonner opposed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bonner, and passed by a majority vote to approve the Second and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 1117, abandoning a portion of E. 2nd Street between Bliss and Meredith Avenues at the request of Moore County Hospital District, \$23,000 fair market value. Commissioner McDowell and Commissioner Bodnar opposed.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bodnar, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, and passed unanimously to approve the Second and Final Reading of Ordinance 1128, abandoning a street in the city's ETJ for Kirk Weatherford, \$200 fair market value.

The new Solid Waste Supervisor, Eric Davidson, introduced himself to the Commission. Mr. Davidson said he had \$40,000 budgeted for new dumpsters and he would like to purchase forty residential dumpsters for \$19,400. A motion was made by Commissioner Bodnar, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, and passed unanimously to approve the purchase of 40 residential dumpsters for \$19,400 from Precision Flame for the solid waste department.

City Manager Vince DiPiazza presented agreements concerning natural gas transportation. Mr. DiPiazza said the city could possibly save a few cents in the future by signing the agreements. A motion was made by Commissioner Bodnar, seconded by Commissioner Funk, and passed unanimously to approve firm transportation service agreement for natural gas and associated letter agreement with El Paso Natural Gas Company.

Mayor Sims opened the Work Session.

Public Works Director Arbie Taylor gave an update on the following projects: The fire hydrant project still has not begun. The subcontractor is waiting on the agreement from West Texas Utilities. The wet wells are piped in and installed at the lift station and they should start up in three weeks. Xcel is having some trouble with the Morton lift station, but that should be fixed soon. 14th Street lift station is operating with second pump.

Meeting adjourned.

Pat L. Sims, Mayor

ATTEST:

Vince DiPiazza, City Manager