

SPECIAL MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF DUMAS, TEXAS
SEPTEMBER 2, 2014
6:30 P.M.

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT THERE CAME AND WAS HELD A SPECIAL 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 Attorney Tom Moore
City Manager Vince DiPiazza

Others Present: Kim Rehkopf, Jim Nelson, Arbie Taylor, Dottie Crockett, Brenda Koehn, Isidro Renteria, Christy Kimbley, Jeana Hardin, Paul J. Jenkins and Meredith Laurent.

Mayor Sims called the meeting to order.

During attending citizens and their business, Commissioner Funk said he spoke with the City of Borger mayor and they are interested in using our landfill. Commissioner Funk suggested the Commission meet with them in the future to discuss the use of our landfill.

A motion was made by Commissioner Bodnar, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, and passed by a majority vote to approve the August 18, 2014 Regular City Commission meeting minutes, August 25, 2014 Special City Commission meeting minutes and paying the bills.

Mayor Sims opened the Formal Session.

IMS representatives Christy Kimbley and Jeana Hardin presented the 2014-2015 insurance benefit plan. Ms. Kimbley is recommending stop loss carrier Optum including the transplant option, for \$719,706.42. Ms. Kimbley said costs are down six percent. Dental cost is \$53,970.33. A motion was made by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Mayor Sims, and passed unanimously to approve Insurance Management Services as the third party administrator for the medical benefit plan, stop loss carrier Optum with a \$65,000 specific deductible for a total cost of \$719,706.42, Hartford Life Insurance, \$2,941.20 and dental for \$53,970.33.

Mayor Sims closed the Formal session and opened the Public Hearing concerning the 2014-2015 annual budget on the proposed property tax rate increase to \$0.170412 on the \$100 valuation. There were no public comments. Mayor Sims closed the Public Hearing and reopened the Formal Session. Mayor Sims said the next Public Hearing concerning the property tax rate would be held September 8, 2014 at 6:30 P.M. at the Dumas Commission Chambers/Municipal Court Room located at 124 E. 7th Street.

Public Works Director Arbie Taylor presented the water conservation plan and said Mayor Pro Tem Bonner was correct, Dumas Independent School District was the highest water user. A motion was made by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bonner, and passed unanimously to approve the Second and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 1114 adopting a water conservation plan.

A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Bonner, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, and passed unanimously to approve the Second and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 1115 regulating the operation of golf carts on public streets.

Finance Director Dottie Crockett presented the 2013-2014 write off accounts. A motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Bonner, seconded by Mayor Sims, and passed unanimously to approve the 2013-2014 write off accounts totaling \$15,993.84.

Fire Chief Paul J. Jenkins asked the Commission to consider allowing him to purchase five sets of personal protective clothing. A motion was made by Commissioner Bodnar, seconded by Commissioner Funk, and passed unanimously to approve the purchase of five sets of personal protective clothing for the fire department for \$12,753.40 from Fuego.

Public Works Director Arbie Taylor presented quotes to purchase a dri-prime pump. Red River Pump for \$34,110 (new) and J & L Equipment for \$15,500 for a used 2007 John Deere pump. Mr. Taylor said this is not a budgeted item but there is money in the project funds. Mayor Sims asked if the used pump had been inspected and Mr. Taylor said yes. A motion was made by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bonner, and passed unanimously to purchase a used dri-prime pump for \$15,500 from J & L Equipment for the landfill department.

Mayor Sims opened the Work Session.

Public Works Director Arbie Taylor presented an update on the following projects: Fire hydrant valves have been mapped and work will begin again in the middle of September. Commissioner Funk asked if there was a policy or procedure for fire hydrant issues. Mr. Taylor said they document all issues and repairs. Mr. Taylor said since the aerial mapping is completed his goal is to have everything digitized in the future. The gravity main is installed and the last man hole will be set after gravity tests are complete on the lift station.

Meeting adjourned.

Pat L. Sims, Mayor

ATTEST:

Vince DiPiazza, City Manager