

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF DUMAS, TEXAS
JUNE 17, 2013
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 Attorney Tom Moore
City Manager Vince DiPiazza

Others Present: Kim Rehkopf, Jim Nelson, Arbie Taylor, James Phillips, Bo Roscoe, Karla Smith, Dottie Crockett, Jose Escamilla, Anthony Anderson, Ron DeShazo, Emmitt Rice, Robb Shull, Buddy Trent, Robbie Robertson, Sam Cartwright, Dennis M. Plunk, Jr., Paul J. Jenkins, Manuel Pena, Jr., Reece Spencer, James Blankenburg, Edgar Hernandez, Israel Hernandez, Rolando J. Cardenas, Luis Valerio, Jim Doche, Kenny Friar, Steve Ramos, Greg Tanner, Don Parsons, Janet Walker, Oscar Herrera, Alan Herrera, and Allen Garland.

Mayor Sims called the meeting to order.

Commissioner Bodnar asked about a bill from Brandt Engineering, \$4,500. City Manager Vince DiPiazza said this cost is for the CDBG water system improvement project. A motion was made by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Commissioner McDowell, and passed unanimously to approve the June 3, 2013 Regular City Commission meeting minutes and paying the bills.

Mayor Sims opened the Formal Session.

Rob Shull representing the New Hope Worship Center asked the Commission to consider allowing N. 5th Street to be closed from N. Meredith to Oak for a community church event. A motion was made by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Commissioner Bodnar, and passed unanimously to approve closing N. 5th Street from N. Meredith Avenue to Oak Avenue for a community church event to be held on August 2, 2013 by New Hope Worship Center.

James Phillips was present to discuss the drainage on N.W. 8th Street. Mr. Phillips said when there is rain it puddles in front of his building. Mr. Phillips said there was a new building on the corner, which was four inches above ground level, but there

was not a culvert built. Mayor Pro Tem Bonner said more research must be done with the property owners and the public works director. The consensus of the Commission is for the public works director to have the grades shot and bring back a recommendation for the Commission to consider.

Rolando Cardenas asked the Commission to consider repairing the soccer fields at Utley Park. Mr. Cardenas said there are ruts in the grass and people have been injured. In the past the city park department has graded the fields. There were neighboring residents present to discuss the poor condition the soccer fields are left in. Residents stated that there was a large amount of trash, diapers, and glass left on the field after last weekend's game. The trash dumpsters and trash barrels that are furnished to people using Utley Park were empty. Edgar Hernandez stated that their team played in Amarillo this last weekend but there was a large group that did use the fields. Park Director Karla Smith recommended the fields be rented out, which requires a permit. McDade Park's rental permit fee is \$50. Emmitt Rice said anyone renting the Utley Park soccer fields should be charged a larger deposit. Commissioner Funk would like more signs placed in the park stating "no alcohol". Commissioner McDowell said park rules should be posted. Police Chief Jim Nelson said he would have his officers patrol the area more often. An off duty police officer can be hired to ensure there is no alcohol consumption. City Attorney Tom Moore will provide an ordinance by next week for the Commission and citizens to review. Mayor Pro Tem Bonner suggested a master plan be developed. Mayor Pro Tem Bonner would like citizens to present ideas for controlling Utley Park by the next meeting. There was no action taken.

Police Officer Allen Garland presented a power point presentation concerning the parking issues on S. Maddox Avenue. Mayor Pro Tem Bonner thanked Officer Garland for a visual presentation. A motion was made by Commissioner McDowell, seconded by Commissioner Funk, and passed unanimously to approve no parking on S. Maddox Avenue from the 100 block through the 1300 block.

Fire Chief Paul J. Jenkins told the Commission that Moore County has banned the sale and use of fireworks. Chief Jenkins recommends the city ban the fireworks display and the use of a safe area. A motion was made by Commissioner Funk, seconded by Commissioner Bodnar, and passed unanimously to not have a fireworks display nor provide a safe area.

Mayor Sims opened the Work Session.

Jim Doche with Parkhill, Smith and Cooper was present to answer any questions concerning the golf course roof replacement. Mr. Doche told the Commission there was a leak on the pro shop roof that should be repaired. Mr. Doche told the Commission they could install a TPO roof, vinyl sheeting, instead of the metal roof. The TPO roof cost is the same or less than the metal roof. The consensus of the Commission would like options included in Parsley's Sheet Metal & Roofing specifications.

Mayor Sims asked that a committee be appointed for the multi-purpose event center. Commissioner Bodnar said that money should go toward current projects instead of an event center. Mayor Pro Tem Bonner said there is no cost to form a committee. Mayor Pro Tem Bonner said the city has a vision and needs a place to have small conventions and meetings. Names recommended were Sam Cartwright, Mike Running, and David Swinford. The Commission will have more names to present at the next meeting.

Public Works Director Arbie Taylor presented an update on the following projects: The wastewater treatment plant is placing the clarifier equipment and will switch over July 15th. The Sims water well field tanks have been approved but additional testing is necessary. The landfill modification permit has been submitted. The city has received the draft plans. The S. Maddox Avenue resurfacing project will begin July 22nd. Equipment for the water replacement project has been delivered. Mr. Taylor commended Water Superintendent Reece Spencer and his department for an excellent job and stated that they received a superior rating from TCEQ. Mr. Taylor commended Gas Superintendent Jack Braswell and his department for an excellent job and receiving a 97 rating from TML. Mr. Taylor said the gas chiller is working and they have been selling drip.

Meeting adjourned.

Pat L. Sims, Mayor

ATTEST:

Vince DiPiazza, City Manager