

REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COMMISSION
OF THE CITY OF DUMAS, TEXAS
OCTOBER 1, 2018
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 Justin Willis
Commissioner Ben Maples
Commissioner Bob Brinkmann
City Manager A. F. Taylor
City Attorney Jerod Pingelton

Others Present: Kim Rehkopf, Jim Nelson, Reece Spencer, Ronald Pray, Carl Watson, Dustin Carlile, Shawn Dawson, Tabitha Spencer, Jeff Turner, John Key, Jay Patel, Cecilia Marquez, Ashley Almanza and Mike Running.

Mayor Sims called the meeting to order.

During attending citizens and their business, city employees introduced themselves to the Commission. Police Department: Dustin Carlile, 4½ years as animal control and health inspector; Tabitha Spencer, 11 months and this is her third time with the city; Shawn Dawson, 3 years. Mayor Sims told the public that the Commission had asked to be introduced to them so they could meet them and know what department they worked in.

A motion was made by Commissioner Maples, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bonner, and passed unanimously to approve the September 17, 2018 Regular City Commission meeting minutes, the September 24, 2018 Special City Commission meeting minutes and paying the bills.

Mayor Sims opened the Formal Session.

Dumas Economic Development Corporation Director Mike Running asked the Commission to consider a variance with regards to the allowable interpretations for the fire code violations regarding local daycare centers. Mr. Running said our daycare center operators could possibly close their operations or dramatically downsize if they have to comply with the violations due to the expensive costs for these low-margin, highly regulated businesses, and the timeline associated with the demands. Mr. Running said this would be a huge negative impact to Dumas. Mr. Running reviewed the 2012 International Fire Code that the city currently has adopted. Mr. Running said the violations pertained to fire alarm systems, emergency lighting, exit doors and other matters. Mr. Running reviewed each law in the code concerning the

violation given and told the Commission what the current compliance of each daycare center was. A motion was made by Commissioner Maples, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bonner, and passed unanimously to approve tabling this item until the November 5, 2018 meeting and have the fire department, Mike Running, Arbie Taylor, daycare owners, and possibly city attorney meet to discuss and work out the violations according to the fire code and time line given to comply.

Dumas Economic Development Corporation Director Mike Running presented a resolution for an incentive and Chapter 380 assistance for the Goodlife Assisted Living facility. Mr. Running said the intention of the facility is to create 20 jobs with an average wage of \$800,000 and increase the local property tax revenues by \$35,000. DEDC will fund up to \$70,000 for sewer and water lines, valves, manhole covers, fire hydrants, road base and overlay materials. Mr. Running asked for assistance from the city in the form of road extension work, in-kind labor, and equipment services. This project will involve a capital expenditure of \$2,000,000 in new construction. A motion was made by Commissioner Maples. Commissioner Maples amended his motion, seconded by Commissioner Brinkmann, and passed unanimously to approve Resolution No. 18-08 incentive and Chapter 380 assistance for Goodlife Assisted Living with the modification of stipulating initiation in 3 years, including curb and gutter with the city maintaining, and completion in 4 years.

A motion was made by Commissioner Brinkmann, seconded by Commissioner Willis, and passed unanimously to approve a proclamation declaring October 7-13, 2018 as Fire Prevention Week with the theme "Look. Listen. Learn. Be Aware - Fire Can Happen Anywhere".

City Manager Arbie Taylor presented a resolution to transfer real property from Texas Department of Transportation (TxDOT) to the city. Mr. Taylor said the chamber of commerce has been wanting to install an electric sign for a few years and the problem has been that TxDOT owns the frontage and right-of-way. TxDOT has now agreed to transfer property to the City of Dumas, including drainage easements, and with other stipulations concerning no person or entity may claim third party beneficiary status nor may any non-party sue for personal injuries or property damage. A motion was made by Commissioner Maples, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Bonner, and passed unanimously to approve Resolution No. 18-09 transferring real property from Texas Department of Transportation to the City of Dumas.

A motion was made by Mayor Sims, seconded by Commissioner Brinkmann, and passed unanimously to approve the purchase of pipes and check valves for the Prime lift station from Odessa Pumps for \$7,861 for the water/wastewater department.

A motion was made by Commissioner Brinkmann, seconded by Commissioner Willis, and passed unanimously to approve the Second and Final Reading of Ordinance No. 1157 closing Durrett Avenue.

Meeting adjourned.

Pat L. Sims, Mayor

ATTEST:

A. F. Taylor, City Manager