

710 EAST SAN AUGUSTINE STREET

DEER PARK, TEXAS 77536

Minutes of

THE 1731ST REGULAR MEETING OF THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS HELD IN CITY HALL, 710 EAST SAN AUGUSTINE STREET, DEER PARK, TEXAS ON APRIL 16, 2019, AT 7:30 P.M., WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT:

JERRY MOUTON, JR.
SHERRY GARRISON
THANE HARRISON
TOMMY GINN
BILL PATTERSON
RON MARTIN
RAE SINOR

MAYOR
COUNCILWOMAN
COUNCILMAN
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OTHER CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT:

JAY STOKES
GARY JACKSON
SHANNON BENNETT
JIM FOX

CITY MANAGER
ASSISTANT CITY MANAGER
CITY SECRETARY
CITY ATTORNEY

1. MEETING CALLED TO ORDER – Mayor Mouton called the meeting to order at 7:30 p.m.
2. INVOCATION – The invocation was given by Councilman Patterson.
3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Councilman Harrison led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag and led the Texas Flag Pledge.
4. PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL PUBLIC SAFETY TELECOMMUNICATOR WEEK 2019 – Mayor Mouton presented a proclamation to Telecommunications Supervisor, Kelly Bass, in recognition of National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week and declared April 14-20, 2019 as National Public Safety Telecommunicator Week 2019.
5. PROCLAMATION FOR NATIONAL SAFE DIGGING MONTH – Mayor Mouton presented a proclamation to Kevin Hare and Gary Mills of CenterPoint in recognition of National Safe Digging Month and declared April 2019 as National Safe Digging Month.
6. CONSENT CALENDAR – Motion was made by Councilman Harrison and seconded by Councilman Ginn to approve the consent calendar as follows:
 - a. Approval of minutes of regular meeting on April 2, 2019.

- b. Authorization to seek bids for a one (1) year supply of gasoline and diesel fuel to be used for all City of Deer Park vehicles and equipment.
- c. Authorization to advertise and receive bids for a one (1) year supply of Sodium Hexametaphosphate with the option to renew for one additional year for the Water Treatment Plant.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

7. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON A RESOLUTION SUSPENDING THE MAY 10, 2019 EFFECTIVE DATE OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED RATE CHANGE TO PERMIT THE CITY TIME TO STUDY THE REQUEST AND TO ESTABLISH REASONABLE RATES – Motion was made by Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilman Ginn to approve Resolution No. 2019-06 captioned as follows:

RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK SUSPENDING THE MAY 10, 2019 EFFECTIVE DATE OF CENTERPOINT ENERGY HOUSTON ELECTRIC, LLC'S REQUESTED RATE CHANGE TO PERMIT THE CITY TIME TO STUDY THE REQUEST AND TO ESTABLISH REASONABLE RATES; APPROVING CONTINUED COOPERATION WITH THE GULF COAST COALITION OF CITIES; HIRING LLOYD GOSSELINK ATTORNEYS AND CONSULTING SERVICES TO NEGOTIATE WITH THE COMPANY AND DIRECT ANY NECESSARY LITIGATION AND APPEALS; REQUIRING REIMBURSEMENT OF CITIES' RATE CASE EXPENSES; FINDING THAT THE MEETING AT WHICH THIS RESOLUTION IS PASSED IS OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AS REQUIRED BY LAW; REQUIRING NOTICE OF THIS RESOLUTION TO THE COMPANY AND LEGAL COUNSEL.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

8. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING A MEMBER TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION COMMISSION - After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilman Harrison and seconded by Councilwoman Sinor to adopt on first and final reading Ordinance No. 4068, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE APPOINTING ONE MEMBER OF THE PARKS & RECREATION COMMISSION OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY. (Clyde Coxie)

Motion carried 7 to 0.

9. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE CODE OF ORDINANCES SECTION 66-183, DESIGNATED TRUCK ROUTE – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilwoman Garrison and seconded by Councilman Ginn to adopt on first and final reading Ordinance No. 4069, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING SECTION 66-183 SCHEDULE L, OF THE CODE OF ORDINANCES OF THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS, PROVIDING FOR AMENDED TRAFFIC REGULATIONS; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING FOR SEVERABILITY; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

10. CONSIDERATION OF AND ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE RELATED TO THE PERMITTING OF FOOD TRUCKS – After a proposed ordinance was read by caption, motion was made by Councilwoman Sinor and seconded by Councilman Patterson to adopt on first and final reading Ordinance No. 4070, captioned as follows:

AN ORDINANCE ADDING SECTIONS 22-48 and 22-48 APPENDIX “B” TO THE DEER PARK CODE OF ORDINANCES REGULATING MOBILE FOOD SERVICE UNITS WITHIN THE CITY OF DEER PARK, TEXAS; AND DECLARING AN EMERGENCY.

Motion carried 7 to 0.

Councilman Thane Harrison commented, “This is my final full meeting, the next meeting on May 7th, will be a workshop, the Pledge of Allegiance, the invocation and then I will step down. In fourteen years, 5110 days, a lot has happened, buildings and renovations, ribbon cuttings and groundbreakings, this City has progressed very well. Fire Station #3 was not here when I got on Council. I have sat with 14 different Councilmembers, two Mayors, two City Managers, two City Secretaries and 27 Directors, that includes two Police Chiefs and three Fire Chiefs. The most Directors in any one spot was in Parks and Recreation, with Doug Burgess, Paul Wilson, Scott Swigert and Charlie Sandberg. The least amount of directors is the Director of our Library, Rebecca Pool. Fourteen years ago, Melissa and I had 4 grandsons. We now have 6 grandsons 4 granddaughters, one great grandson and one great granddaughter. The latest great granddaughter was just born March 25th. My son Brandon, and his beautiful wife, inside and out, Amanda, who were married one week after the election of 2005. Since then, they have come up with these four precious children and I am going to introduce them. Isley, 9, Easton, 8, Amelia, 5, and Everest, 2. We also have our son Randy and my wife Melissa. I would not have sat here for fourteen years if it hadn’t been for Melissa. There is always someone behind the scene, and that is her. Jim Fox, City Attorney, has also been here since I have been in office. Mr. Fox used to read every ordinance, every word, whether it was 10 pages long or 3 pages long. Mr. Fox would

drink a lot of water. The meetings we had went past 8:00 o'clock. The City is in a lot better shape today than it was 14 years ago and for that, it is a win for all of us sitting up here and all the previous people that have sat up here. We are Deer Park proud. With that, I will bid you all a fond farewell and God bless each and everyone of you."

Mayor Mouton commented, "Councilman Harrison has served the City well. I know you invested a lot more than just time. I cannot say anything less but that you have made a tremendous impact on my life. You spoke words of wisdom to me and I am sure everyone up here has the same sentiment."

11. ADJOURN – Mayor Mouton adjourned the meeting at 7:54 p.m.

ATTEST:

APPROVED:

Shannon Bennett, TRMC
City Secretary

Jerry Mouton, Jr.
Mayor