

MINUTES OF THE CROCKETT CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 7th DAY OF JUNE 2004 IN THE CITY HALL COUNCIL CHAMBERS, LOCATED AT 200 NORTH FIFTH IN THE CITY OF CROCKETT, HOUSTON COUNTY TEXAS AT 6:00 P.M.

THE COUNCIL MET IN REGULAR SESSION WITH THE FOLLOWING MEMBERS PRESENT: WAYNE MASK, JACK SHIVELEY, DARRELL JONES, NATHAN GARDNER, JACKIE JONES & BILL HOLCOMB. CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: CITY ADMINISTRATOR RONALD DUNCAN, CITY SECRETARY MITZI THOMPSON, FIRE CHIEF DARRELL DECKARD & POLICE CHIEF JIMMY FISHER.

1. OPEN MEETING WITH INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Mayor Mask called the formal session open. Council member J. Jones gave the invocation and all joined in the pledge.

2. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mayor Mask recognized all visitors present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: – SPECIAL MEETING – MAY 24, 2004

Motion was made by Council member D. Jones to approve the minutes of the May 24, 2004 Special Meeting as written. Motion seconded by Council member Gardner. Motion passes 5-0.

4. REPORTS: MAYOR – Encouraged all to attend 4th of July Parade, Concerts in the Park on Tuesday's in June and the Fiddlers Festival.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR – Paving of square will start soon, encouraged all to attend the Juneteenth Parade, Budget Workshops will start soon, Bill Holcomb has resigned from the Crockett Economic Industrial Development Corp. Board, Consumer Confidence Reports will be out to water customers in June.

5. REPORTS: POLICE REPORT

Police Chief Fisher reported for the time period of May 24 – June 6, 2004; 15 total manpower, 2 reserve manpower, 1,033 total manpower hours, 0 total reserve manpower hours, 267 total calls, 9 total accidents. A breakdown of the criminal reports is included in the packets.

6. REPORTS: FIRE DEPARTMENT

Fire Chief Deckard reported for the month of May the following: 12 total calls. A breakdown is included in the packets.

A) NOMINATION/ELECTION OF NEW MEMBERS TO CROCKETT VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT

Motion was made by Council member Holcomb to approve Frederick Lewis and Stephen Bowens as new members to the fire department. Motion seconded by Council member J. Jones. Motion passes 5-0.

7. PRESENTATION/DISCUSSION/ACCEPTANCE OF FISCAL YEAR 2003 AUDIT

Mr. Jesse Stephens presented the audit for Fiscal Year 2003 and after a brief presentation; motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shiveley to approve the audit for FY 2003. Motion seconded by Council member Holcomb. Motion passes 5-0.

8. CROCKETT ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION QUARTERLY REPORT BY MR. TIM CULP

Mr. Tim Culp, Director of Crockett Economic Industrial Development Corporation presented council with a quarterly report of the finances and activities of the corporation. This report outlined the work of the organization and future plans for possible projects coming to the Crockett area.

9. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT GUARANTEEING THE PROMISSORY NOTES OF CROCKETT ECONOMIC & INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO CROCKETT BANK A DIVISION OF FIRST NATIONAL BANK HUNTSVILLE, CITIZENS NATIONAL BANK OF CROCKETT, FIRST NATIONAL BANK OF CROCKETT AND FIRST STATE BANK CROCKETT A DIVISION OF GRAPELAND STATE BANK GRAPELAND AND AUTHORIZING THE PRESIDENT OF THE CROCKETT ECONOMIC & INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION TO EXECUTE SAID NOTES

Mr. Culp explained that council had approved the measure when they approved the budget last year and that this resolution was the completion of the paperwork. Motion was made by Council member Holcomb to approve the resolution guaranteeing the promissory notes of Crockett Economic & Industrial Development Corporation. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Shiveley. Motion passes 5-0.

10. CONSIDER RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT ENGAGING THE FIRM OF GARY R. TRAYLOR & ASSOCIATES, INC TO PERFORM VARIOUS PROFESSIONAL SERVICES IN CONNECTION WITH THE PREPARATION OF ITS APPLICATIONS FOR FEDERAL AND STATE GRANT FUNDS, SUBJECT TO CERTAIN TERMS OF ENGAGEMENT

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Shiveley to approve the contract with Gary Traylor & Associates to perform various professional services for grant management. Motion seconded by Council member D. Jones. Motion passes 5-0.

11. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A PRELIMINARY/FINAL REPLAT APPROVAL OF WAL-MART LOCATED AT 1225 E. LOOP 304, LOT 2, 2.247 ACRES, ALL THAT CERTAIN TRACT OR PARCEL OF LAND LOCATED IN THE A.E. GOSSETT SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 423, HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS, FOR WAL-MART REAL ESTATE, BEING ALL OF CALLED 16.156 ACRE TRACT DESCRIBED IN A DEED FROM WAL-MART STORES EAST, INC., TO WAL-MART REAL ESTATE BUSINESS TRUST, DATED AUGUST 8, 1997, RECORDED IN DOCUMENT NO. 024511 IN THE HOUSTON COUNTY DEED

Mr. Duncan explained that this would allow the contractors to build the strip mall at the Wal-Mart center and that the drainage issues were reviewed and this site would actually make the drainage better for the area. Motion was made by Council member D. Jones to approve the preliminary/replat of Wal-Mart located at 1225 E. Loop 304. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Shiveley. Motion passes 5-0.

12. CONSIDER AND APPROVE APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMITTEE

Mayor Mask recommended approval and stated that these people have done an excellent job in helping Mr. Tedford in his refuse control efforts. Council member D. Jones stated that he was concerned about John Simpson serving as municipal judge and that also serving on this board would be a conflict of interest. Mr. Tedford told council that rulings by this committee were not heard in municipal court but district court. Council member Gardner asked if this would be a dual role and that this commission should not oversee the city council, Mayor Mask responded that the ordinance is not written that way and State law is not written that way. Motion was made by Council member Holcomb to approve the following members to the Building and Standards Committee: Reappointments - John Simpson – Chairman, Bubba Dickey – Vice Chairman, Dusky Waters – Secretary, Glayse Childs, Robert Stepleton, Charles Hyde, Nancy Venable, Ianthia Fisher, Appointments – Mo Amjad, Anthony Harris, Frank Foster, and Ann McNabb as Alternate Members. Motion seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Shively. Council members D. Jones, Gardner and J. Jones voted against the motion. Motion fails 2-3. Mayor Mask then asked Council member D. Jones if he had any contact with Council members Gardner or J. Jones prior to the meeting regarding this issue. Council member D. Jones made a motion to go into executive session, Mayor Mask rejected the motion and ask Council member Gardner the question and he stated that he was not answering the question; Mayor Mask asked Council member J. Jones if he had any contact with Council member

D. Jones. Council member J. Jones responded no, not about this matter. Mayor Mask reminded council that any communication among members is a violation of the Open Meetings Act.

13. COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE OR COUNCIL

Billy Groves – state of city affairs

Leon Gibson – complaints against police department

14. ADJOURNMENT

With no more business to consider, meeting was adjourned at 7:10 P.M.

Wayne Mask, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mitzi Thompson, City Secretary