

MINUTES OF THE CROCKETT CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 20th DAY OF AUGUST 2007 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, JAMES HALL, DARIUS KITCHEN, NATHAN GARDNER, JACKIE JONES & BILL HOLCOMB. CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: CITY ADMINISTRATOR RONALD DUNCAN, CITY SECRETARY MITZI THOMPSON AND FIRE CHIEF DARRELL DECKARD.

1. OPEN MEETING WITH INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

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

2. RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mayor Mask recognized all visitors present.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: REGULAR MEETING – AUGUST 6, 2007

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve the minutes of the August 6, 2007 Regular Meeting. Council member Jones seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

4. REPORTS: MAYOR – none

CITY ADMINISTRATOR – New street equipment shown at street department for an ‘Asphalt Zipper’, used for milling streets, information is included in packets.

5. PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED BUDGET OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT FOR THE 2007-2008 FISCAL YEAR

Mayor Mask opened the public hearing. No public comments. Close public hearing.

6. CONSIDER AND APPROVE ORDINANCE ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT FOR THE 2007-2008 FISCAL YEAR

AN ORDINANCE MAKING APPROPRIATION FOR THE SUPPORT OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR BEGINNING OCTOBER 1, 2007 AND ENDING SEPTEMBER 30, 2008; APPROPRIATING MONEY TO

SINKING FUND TO PAY INTEREST AND PRINCIPAL DUE ON THE CITY'S INDEBTEDNESS; AND ADOPTING THE ANNUAL BUDGET OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT FOR FISCAL YEAR 2008

Council member Gardner asked Mr. Duncan about police cars and Council member Kitchen asked about repairs to Pease and Stokes Streets. Mr. Duncan told council one police car would be purchased this budget year with three being lease purchased the following budget year. Pease and Stokes Street would be repaired this year as well all street projects scheduled. Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve the Ordinance adopting the annual budget of the City of Crockett for the 2007-2008 Fiscal Year. Council member Hall seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

7. PUBLIC HEARING ON 2007 TAX RATE

Mayor Mask opened the public hearing. Mr. Duncan stated the 2007 tax rate is about an 8% decrease over the previous year. It will be .43425 per \$100 valuation. No public comments. Close public hearing.

8. COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE OR COUNCIL

Council member Gardner – asked about lowering speed limit on Old San Antonio Road – Mr. Duncan explained the speed limit has been lowered; working with school district to develop a Safe Route to School Plan to submit to State

Council member Jones – thanked City crews for work done in his precinct

Council member Kitchen – thanked people in his precinct for keeping vacant lots mowed

9. ADJOURNMENT

With no more business to consider, meeting was adjourned at 6:26 P.M.

Wayne Mask, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mitzi Thompson, City Secretary