

MINUTES OF THE CROCKETT CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 5th DAY OF NOVEMBER 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, NATHAN GARDNER, JACKIE JONES & BILL HOLCOMB. CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: CITY ADMINISTRATOR RONALD DUNCAN, CITY SECRETARY MITZI THOMPSON, POLICE CHIEF JIMMY FISHER AND FIRE CHIEF DARRELL DECKARD. COUNCIL MEMBER KITCHEN NOT PRESENT.

1. OPEN MEETING WITH INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

Mayor Mask called the formal session open. Mayor Mask 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 – OCTOBER 1, 2007

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve the minutes of the October 1, 2007 Regular Meeting. Council member Jones seconded the motion. Motion passes 4-0.

4. REPORTS: MAYOR – Appreciates everyone who helped in the Halloween Festival, upcoming events for November will be a parade on the 15th and Christmas in Crockett on the 17th.

CITY ADMINISTRATOR – Streets are being worked on while weather is good, revenue is starting to come in, work in the park is progressing.

5. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Fisher reported for the time period of October 8th thru November 4, 2007; 14 total manpower, 2 reserve manpower, 1,863 total manpower hours, 43 total reserve manpower hours, 459 total calls, 13 total accidents. A breakdown of the criminal reports is included in the packets. Chief Fisher stated that both suspects had been apprehended in the Citizens National Bank robbery.

6. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Deckard reported for the month of October the following: 30 total calls. A breakdown is included in the packets.

7. CONSIDER AND APPROVE RESOLUTION AND AGREEMENT WITH THE LOCAL GOVERNMENT PURCHASING COOPERATIVE TO PURCHASE EQUIPMENT, GOODS, & SERVICES FOR THE CITY THROUGH THE BUYBOARD

Mr. Duncan stated that City attorney Bill Pemberton's opinion is that by joining a purchasing cooperative, it will not violate the competitive bidding clause in the City charter. Council member Hall made a motion to approve the resolution and agreement with the Local Government Purchasing Cooperative to purchase equipment, goods, & services for the City through the Buyboard if there were certain terms in the agreement, including associated fees and administration, more clearly defined before council approval. Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb amended Council member Hall's motion to allow preliminary approval at the next meeting based on the changes suggested by Council member Hall. Motion passes 4-0.

8. AWARD BID: CONSTRUCTION OF FIVE HOMES FOR THE 2006 TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF HOUSING AND COMMUNITY AFFAIRS HOME PROGRAM

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to award the bid of construction of five homes for the 2006 Texas Department of Housing and Community Affairs Home program to Jerry Broxson Construction in the amount of \$241,006.00. Council member Jones seconded the motion. Motion passes 4-0.

9. CONSIDER AND APPROVE RESOLUTION OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT AUTHORIZING THE FILING OF A GRANT APPLICATION, IN CONJUNCTION WITH HOUSTON COUNTY, WITH THE DEEP EAST TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS (DETCOG) FOR A REGIONAL SOLID WASTE GRANTS PROGRAM GRANT; AUTHORIZING WAYNE MASK, MAYOR, AND RONALD M. DUNCAN, CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO ACT ON BEHALF OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT IN ALL MATTERS RELATED TO THE APPLICATION; AND PLEDGING THAT IF A GRANT IS RECEIVED THE CITY OF CROCKETT, AS WELL AS HOUSTON COUNTY, WILL COMPLY WITH THE GRANT REQUIREMENTS OF THE DEEP EAST TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS, THE TEXAS COMMISSION ON ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY AND THE STATE OF TEXAS

Mr. Duncan explained to council that this resolution has been approved by the county and is the grant filed in conjunction with the county each year for the position. Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve the resolution authorizing the filing of a grant application, in conjunction with Houston County,

with the Deep East Texas Council of Governments (DETCOG) for a Regional Solid Waste Grants program grant; authorizing Wayne Mask, Mayor, and Ronald M. Duncan, City Administrator to act on behalf of the City in all matters related to the application. Council member Jones seconded the motion.
Motion passes 4-0.

10. **CONSIDER AND APPROVE RESOLUTION TO CAST VOTES FOR THE BOARD OF DIRECTORS FOR HOUSTON COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT**

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve a Resolution to cast votes for the Board of Directors for Houston County Appraisal District as follows: Mike Maiden – 256 Votes. Council member Gardner seconded the motion.
Motion passes 4-0.

11. **CONSIDER AND APPROVE APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BOARD OF ADJUSTMENT COMMITTEE**

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve the following members to the Board of Adjustment Committee: Reappointments – Pat Dickey, Michael Brenner, Patsy Barney, Gordon McClain, Appointments – Jimmy Keene, Robert Thompson and Joni Clounts. Council member Jones seconded the motion.
Motion passes 4-0.

12. **CONSIDER AND APPROVE APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION**

Council member Hall made a motion to approve the following members to the Planning and Zoning Commission: Reappointments – Jack Shiveley, Jim Dowell, Tim Culp, Della Newman, Appointments – Frank Minton. Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb seconded the motion. Motion passes 4-0.

13. **CONSIDER AND APPROVE APPOINTMENT OF NEW MEMBER TO LIBRARY ADVISORY BOARD**

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve the Appointment of Kaye Hamilton to the Library Advisory Board. Council member Jones seconded the motion. Motion passes 4-0.

14. **CONSIDER AND APPROVE APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO BUILDING & STANDARDS COMMITTEE**

Council member Jones made a motion to approve the following members to the Building & Standards Committee: Reappointments – Robert “Dudley” Stepleton, Ianthia Fisher, Nancy Venable, Ann McNabb, Appointments – Diane Rhone, Joni Clounts and W.L. Tillis. Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb seconded the motion.
Motion passes 4-0.

15. CONSIDER AND APPROVE APPOINTMENT/REAPPOINTMENT OF MEMBERS TO THE PARKS AND RECREATION BOARD

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve the following members to the Parks and Recreation Board: Reappointments – David Gay, Tim Culp, John Walker, Appointments – Sammy Wagner and James Berry. Council member Jones seconded the motion. Motion passes 4-0.

16. COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE OR COUNCIL

Billy Groves – complaints received concerning railroad citations given, people's rights have been violated

17. ADJOURNMENT

With no more business to consider, meeting was adjourned at 7:05 P.M.

Wayne Mask, Mayor

ATTEST:

Mitzi Thompson, City Secretary