

MINUTES OF THE CROCKETT CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 4th DAY OF FEBRUARY 2008 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, POLICE CHIEF JIMMY FISHER AND FIRE CHIEF DARRELL DECKARD.

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 – JANUARY 7, 2008

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve the minutes of the January 7, 2008 Regular Meeting. Council member Hall seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

4. REPORTS: MAYOR – Local Crime Stoppers will host fundraiser on February 26, 2008 at Crockett Civic Center, meet with Texas Department of Transportation regarding patch work on state highway, Election for Precinct 3, 4 & 5 Council positions - first day to file is February 11th, last day to file is March 4th

CITY ADMINISTRATOR – Two monthly reports to Texas Commission on Environmental Quality, started purchasing under Hurricane Rita grant, Home Program paperwork waiting for reply from Austin

5. POLICE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Chief Fisher reported for the time period of January 7th thru February 3, 2008; 13 total manpower, 2 reserve manpower, 1,330 total manpower hours, 40 total reserve manpower hours, 371 total calls, 8 total accidents. A breakdown of the criminal reports is included in the packets.

A) NOMINATION /ELECTION OF NEW POLICE OFFICERS

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve Isias Rodriquez, Jr. as a full time officer. Motion seconded by Council member Kitchen. Motion passes 5-0.

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve Danny McElhany as a part time officer. Motion seconded by Council member Jones. Motion passes 5-0.
Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve Kimberlee Bruner as a full time officer. Motion seconded by Council member Kitchen. Motion passes 5-0.

6. FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Fire Chief Deckard reported for the month of January the following: 22 total calls. A breakdown is included in the packets.

7. CONSIDER AND APPROVE REQUEST FROM TETCO STORES, 1272 EAST LOOP 304, APPROVAL FOR A VARIANCE FROM THE 300 FOOT RULE ASSOCIATED WITH ISSUE OF A TABC PERMIT TO SELL BEER AND WINE FOR OFF PREMISES CONSUMPTION, FROM THE EXISTING STORE LOCATION

Mr. Duncan stated that a letter had been sent to Kid's Kingdom Day-care Center and to the adjoining property owner Mike Marsh. He explained the door-to-door distance is approximately 284 feet and property line to property line is approximately 250 feet. Council member Gardner made a motion to approve request from TETCO stores, 1272 East Loop 304, for a variance from the 300 foot rule associated with issue of a TABC permit to sell beer and wine for off premises consumption, from the existing store location. Council member Hall seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

8. PUBLIC HEARING ON REQUEST FROM RHONDA LONG FOR AN AR TO C2 ZONE CHANGE TO BE LOCATED ON HIGHWAY 19 NORTH, LEGAL DESCRIPTION BEING; TRACT TWO, 43,575.0 SQUARE FEET OF LAND OUT OF THE A.E. GOSSETT SURVEY, A-423, AND BEING A PORTION OF BLOCK 36 OF SMITH BROTHERS ESTATE SUBDIVISION NO. 1, LOCATED ABOUT 1-3/4 MILES NORTH OF CROCKETT, HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS, ON STATE HIGHWAY 19

Mayor Mask opened the public hearing. Mr. Duncan explained the request for zone change is based on Ms. Long buying the property and building a dance studio. He stated that Planning & Zoning Commission approved this request if Ms. Long purchases the property and starts construction – if she does not, zone will revert. No public comments. Mayor Mask closed the hearing.

9. CONSIDER REQUEST FROM RHONDA LONG FOR AN AR TO C2 ZONE CHANGE TO BE LOCATED ON HIGHWAY 19 NORTH, LEGAL DESCRIPTION BEING; TRACT TWO, 43,575.0 SQUARE FEET OF LAND OUT OF THE A.E. GOSSETT SURVEY, A-423, AND BEING A PORTION OF BLOCK 36 OF SMITH BROTHERS ESTATE SUBDIVISION NO. 1, LOCATED ABOUT 1-3/4 MILES NORTH OF CROCKETT, HOUSTON COUNTY, TEXAS, ON STATE HIGHWAY 19

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve the request from Rhonda Long for an AR to C2 zone change to be located on highway 19 north, about 1-3/4 miles north of Crockett. Council member Kitchen seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

10. CONSIDER AND APPROVE ORDER CALLING THE MAY 10, 2008 GENERAL ELECTION

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve order calling the May 10, 2008 General Election. Council member Kitchen seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

11. CONSIDER AND APPROVE AN ORDINANCE CHANGING THE LOCATION OF THE POLLING PLACE FOR PRECINCT FIVE (5); AND ESTABLISHING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve the Ordinance changing the location of the polling place for Precinct five (5); and establishing an effective date. Council member Hall seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

12. AWARD BID: TANDEM AXEL CONVENTIONAL HIGHWAY TRACTOR AND AUTHORIZE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN LEASE/PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Mr. Duncan presented council with the bids that were opened January 30, 2008. The following bids were received:

Vendor	Location	Truck	Price
Rusk Truck Center	Lufkin, TX	2008 Peterbilt	\$96,242.00
Performance Trucks	Lufkin, TX	2009 Kenworth	\$90,466.00
Performance Trucks	Lufkin, TX	2009 Mack	\$88,185.24
Performance Trucks	Lufkin, TX	2009 Mack	\$90,771.38
Duncan Freightliner	Waco, TX	2009 Freightliner/add \$3,500 Pump	\$88,722.00

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to award bid to Performance Trucks of Lufkin, TX of \$90,466.00 for 2009 Kenworth tandem axel conventional highway tractor truck. Council member Kitchen seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

13. AWARD BID: SINGLE AXEL CHASSIS AND PACKER BODY AND AUTHORIZE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN LEASE/PURCHASE AGREEMENT

Mr. Duncan presented council with the bids that were opened January 30, 2008. The following bids were received:

Vendor	Location	Truck	Price
Rusk Truck Center	Lufkin, TX	2009 Peterbilt/McNeilus Body	\$131,377.00
Rusk Truck Center	Lufkin, TX	2009 Peterbilt/Heil Body	\$126,594.00
Performance Trucks	Lufkin, TX	2009 Kenworth/NuWay Cobra Body	\$100,939.35
Performance Trucks	Lufkin, TX	2009 Kenworth/PacMor Body	\$107,193.07
Performance Trucks	Lufkin, TX	2009 Kenworth/McNeilus Body	\$115,191.95
Price International	Tyler, TX	2009 International/Heil Body	\$105,299.21
Duncan Freightliner	Waco, TX	2009 Sterling/Heil Body	\$110,783.00

Vendor	Location	Truck	Price
Duncan Freightliner	Waco, TX	2006 Sterling/Heil Body	\$118,769.00
Southwest International	Dallas, TX	2009 International/PacMor Body	\$103,434.68

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to award bid to Performance Trucks of Lufkin, TX of \$100,939.35 for 2009 Kenworth/NuWay Cobra Body single axel chassis and packer truck. Council member Kitchen seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

14. **AWARD BID: THREE (3) POLICE CARS AND AUTHORIZE CITY ADMINISTRATOR TO SIGN LEASE/PURCHASE AGREEMENT**

Mr. Duncan presented council with the bids that were opened January 30, 2008. The following bids were received: (Trade-in not included)

Vendor	Location	Car	Price
Spring Dodge	Spring, TX	2007 Dodge Charger	\$89,475.00
<i>5 yr, 50K Warranty</i>	<i>White, No two-Tone/Finish or graphics</i>		
McKinney Dodge	McKinney, TX	2008 Dodge Charger	\$85,590.00
<i>3-yr, 36K Warranty</i>	<i>Two-Tone w/Graphics</i>		

Mr. Duncan recommended purchasing an extended warranty package - 5yr, 75K with \$0 deductible and additional graphics for \$12,045.00, total price \$97,635.00. Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to award bid to McKinney Dodge of McKinney, TX of \$97,635.00 for (3) 2008 Dodge Charger police cars. Council member Hall seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

15. **CONSIDER AND APPROVE CHANGING SPEED LIMIT TO THIRTY (30) MPH WHEN LIGHTS ARE FLASHING AND REMAIN FIFTY-FIVE (55) MPH ALL OTHER TIMES IN EITHER DIRECTION, FROM MILE POINT 1.703, A POINT APPROXIMATELY 0.703 MILES WEST OF STATE HWY 19 SOUTH TO MILE POINT 2.225, A POINT APPROXIMATELY 0.256 MILES SOUTH OF STATE HWY 7/21**

Mayor Pro Tem Holcomb made a motion to approve changing the speed limit to thirty (30) mph when lights are flashing and remain fifty-five (55) mph all other times in either direction, from mile point 1.703, a point approximately 0.703 miles west of state hwy 19 south to mile point 2.225, a point approximately 0.256 miles south of state hwy 7/21. Council member Jones seconded the motion. Motion passes 5-0.

16. **COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE OR COUNCIL**

Billy Groves – Black History Month, commended Chief Fisher for bringing in Officer Rodriquez and Officer Bruner, commended Chief Deckard
 Council member Hall – updates on DETCOG meeting
 Council member Kitchen – great to be back, thanked everyone for prayers and support

17. **ADJOURNMENT**

With no more business to consider, meeting was adjourned at 6:55 P.M.

 Wayne Mask, Mayor

ATTEST:

 Mitzi Thompson, City Secretary

