

MINUTES OF THE CROCKETT CITY COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 7th DAY OF MARCH 2022 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: IANTHIA FISHER, GENE CALDWELL, ERNEST JACKSON & MIKE MARSH. CITY OFFICIALS PRESENT: CITY ADMINISTRATOR JOHN ANGERSTEIN, CITY SECRETARY MITZI STEFKA, POLICE CHIEF CLAYTON SMITH AND FIRE CHIEF JASON FRIZZELL. DARRELL JONES & MARQUITA BEASLEY NOT PRESENT.

OPEN MEETING WITH INVOCATION AND PLEDGE

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

RECOGNITION OF VISITORS

Mayor Fisher recognized all visitors present.

COMMENTS FROM AUDIENCE OR COUNCIL *(At this time, anyone will be allowed to speak on City related matters only; no personnel matters or matters under litigation will be allowed. The length of time may not exceed three minutes. NO Council discussion or action may take place on a matter until such matter has been placed on an agenda and posted in accordance with law.)*

1. APPROVAL OF MINUTES: REGULAR SESSION – FEBRUARY 7, 2022

Mayor Pro Tem Marsh made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 7, 2022 Regular Meeting. Council member Jackson seconded the motion.
Motion passes 3-0.

2. POLICE DEPARTMENT MANPOWER & CRIMINAL INCIDENT REPORT FOR JANUARY 2022 AND PRESENTATION OF ANNUAL RACIAL PROFILING REPORT

Chief Smith reported for the month of January 2022; 12 total manpower, 2238 total manpower hours, 452 total calls and 11 total accidents. A breakdown of the criminal reports is included in the packets.

Chief Smith presented council with the Annual Racial Profiling Report. This data is required by law to be presented to council annually. The report shows what data has to be presented and is mandated by law. There were 2190 traffic stops with 1956 stops resulting in citations for the Crockett Police Department for the year. The report shows no racial profiling in the City of Crockett.

3. FIRE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY ACTIVITY & STATUS REPORT FOR JANUARY 2022

Fire Chief Frizzell reported for the month of January 2022 the following: 47 total calls. A breakdown is included in the packets.

4. REPORT FROM PLANNING AND ZONING COMMISSION ON PROPOSED TEXT AMENDMENTS TO C-3 CITY CENTER SHOPPING DISTRICT CONTAINING ITS CONCLUSIONS AND RECOMMENDATIONS

Mr. Wade Thomas, Planning & Zoning board member along with Mr. Mark Preistner, Planning Concepts, presented council with the proposed recommendations and amendments to the C-3 Shopping District plan. It was explained the goal of the amendments is to identify additional parking, utilize occupied and unoccupied buildings and make the downtown area more walkable. The first recommendation is to address the C-3 district; the primary change is with land uses allowed by right and by specific use. Doing so will allow uses in C-1 and C-2 that more closely follows the uses allowed in C-1 Neighborhood Commercial District but also promotes downtown living in an urban style setting. The presence of residential units will encourage after five business in the downtown area. These changes would require a specific use permit and allow the council to have the ability to determine if a use is compatible with the downtown core. There will be public meetings and public postings to discuss the changes.

5. CONSIDER AND APPROVE AMENDMENT TO ARTICLE 7.04 OF THE BYLAWS OF CROCKETT ECONOMIC AND INDUSTRIAL DEVELOPMENT CORPORATION

Mr. Gentry stated this amendment has been approved by his board and states that all checks, drafts or orders for the payment of money, notes or indebtedness issued in the name of the Corporation shall bear two signatures. Each member of the Board and the Executive Director are authorized to sign checks. After discussion, Council member Jackson made a motion to approve the amendment to Article 7.04 of the bylaws of Crockett Economic and Industrial Development Corporation. Mayor Pro Tem Marsh seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

6. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A RESOLUTION AND AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR THE TEMPORARY CLOSURE OF STATE RIGHT OF WAY FOR DAVY CROCKETT CLASSIC BIKE RACE IN CROCKETT

Mayor Pro Tem Marsh made a motion to approve a Resolution and Agreement with the Texas Department of Transportation for the temporary closure of State Right of Way for Davy Crockett Classic Bike Race in Crockett. Council member Jackson seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

7. CONSIDER AND APPROVE LEASE AGREEMENT WITH PINEYWOODS SANITATION FOR LEASE OF BUILDING AT 400 N. DURRETT DRIVE

Council member Caldwell made a motion to approve the lease agreement with PineyWoods Sanitation for lease of building at 400 N. Durrett Drive. Council member Jackson seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

8. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A RESOLUTION FOR CITY OF CROCKETT'S PARTICIPATION IN THE TEXAS COMPTROLLER OF PUBLIC ACCOUNTS COOPERATIVE PROGRAM

Council member Jackson made a motion to approve a Resolution for City of Crockett's participation in the Texas Comptroller of Public Accounts Cooperative Program. Council member Caldwell seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

9. CONSIDER AND APPROVE REPAIRS TO CITY HALL AND POLICE DEPARTMENT PARKING LOT

Mr. Angerstein stated he received three quotes for repairs to the parking lot which will include: overlay existing asphalt paving, clean existing asphalt paving, apply tack coat, install 1" of compacted hot mix asphalt, stripe for parking and handicap. The quotes were: NAMCO \$29,500, Larry Young Paving \$41,600, Lonestar Paving \$52,000 Mayor Pro Tem Marsh made a motion to approve NAMCO for \$29,500 to be taken out of contingency funds. Council member Caldwell seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

10. CONSIDER AND APPROVE CITY SECRETARY CERTIFICATION OF UNOPPOSED CANDIDATE IN PRECINCT 3 AND PRECINCT 4

Mayor Pro Tem Marsh made a motion to approve City Secretary Certification of Unopposed Candidate in Precinct 3 and Precinct 4. Council member Caldwell seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

11. CONSIDER AND APPROVE A RESOLUTION CANCELLING THE ELECTION OF CITY COUNCIL MEMBERS IN PRECINCT #3 & PRECINCT #4 SCHEDULED FOR MAY 7, 2022

Mayor Pro Tem Marsh made a motion to approve a Resolution cancelling the election of City Council Members in Precinct #3 & Precinct #4 scheduled for May 7, 2022. Council member Caldwell seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

12. CONSIDER AND APPROVE AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF CROCKETT, TEXAS, AMENDING CHAPTER 7, FIRE PREVENTION AND PROTECTION, OF THE CROCKETT CODE; REPEALING SECTION 7-32, INDEPENDENCE OF OFFICE; AMENDING SECTION 7-33, APPOINTMENT, TO PROVIDE FOR THE FIRE MARSHAL TO BE NOMINATED FOR OFFICE BY THE MAYOR AND CITY ADMINISTRATOR UPON RECOMMENDATION OF THE FIRE CHIEF AND APPOINTED BY THE CITY COUNCIL, REMOVED FROM OFFICE BY THE CITY COUNCIL UPON REQUEST OF THE FIRE CHIEF OR ON THE COUNCIL'S OWN

MOTION AND REQUIRING THE FIRE MARSHAL TO REPORT TO AND TAKE DIRECTIONS FROM THE FIRE CHIEF; REPEALING SECTION 7-35, REMOVAL; CONTAINING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; CONTAINING A REPEALING CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE

Mayor Pro Tem Marsh made a motion to approve an Ordinance of the City of Crockett, Texas, amending Chapter 7, Fire Prevention and Protection, of the Crockett Code; repealing Section 7-32, Independence of Office; amending Section 7-33, Appointment, to provide for the Fire Marshal to be nominated for office by the Mayor and City Administrator upon recommendation of the Fire Chief and appointed by the City Council, removed from office by the City Council upon request of the Fire Chief or on the Council's own motion and requiring the Fire Marshal to report to and take directions from the Fire Chief; repealing Section 7-35, removal; containing a severability clause; containing a repealing clause; and providing an effective date. Council member Jackson seconded the motion. Motion passes 3-0.

ADJOURNMENT

Without objection, Mayor Fisher adjourned the meeting at 7:06 P.M.


Dr. Ianthia Fisher, Mayor

ATTEST:


Mitzi Stefka, City Secretary