MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
FEBRUARY 8, 2016

The City Council of the City of Navasota, Grimes County, Texas met at the City Council Chambers, Room No. 161, located at 200 E. McAlpine Street at 6:00 p.m., Navasota, Texas on the above date with the following being present:

Bernie Gessner, Councilmember, Place # 1
Geoff Horn, Councilmember, Place # 2
Peter Canney, Mayor Pro-Tem, Place # 3
Bert Miller, Mayor, Place # 4
Grant E. Holt, Councilmember, Place # 5

Thus constituting a quorum.

STAFF PRESENT: Brad Stafford, City Manager; Susie M. Homeyer, City Secretary; Kathrine Thogersen, Administrative Assistant; Lance Hall, Finance Director; Shawn Myatt, Assistant City Manager/Director of Public Safety; Jason Katkoski, Fire Chief; Corey Johnson, Marketing and Communication Director; Sarah Korpita, Community Development Director; Guadalupe Diosdado, IT Specialist and John Flores, Facilities Manager.

VISITORS: Connie Clements, Raymond Wood, Travis Stackhouse, Elizabeth Stackhouse, Barrett Ingram, Johnny McNally, John Cooley, Harriett Bellmyer, Doris Sauls, Sandra Nobles, Barbara Walker, Christian Ashley, Tracy Ashley, Briana Ashley, Gabrielle Taylor, Barrett Ingram, Carol Herrington, Colson Hildreth, Amy Bay-Wetherwax, Aracely Padron, Karla Perez, Celia Rosa Perez, Ruben Perez, Matilda Vega, Lamarcus Darton, LaShandralyn Harrison, Shiloh George, Flor Rodriquez, Flor Amaya, Todd Nesloney, Karla Perez, Ruben Perez, Yahir Aldaba, Yeni Mencia, Eydi Mencia Tammylern Curry, DeAnna Ordomez, Doris Banks and Lori Dobijanski.

THE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA WERE TAKEN UP IN DUE ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

1. Mayor Bert Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

2. Invocation was given by Barrett Ingram. The City Council, staff members and visitors then recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag which was led by the Eagle Scouts from Boy Scout Troop 249.

3. Remarks of Visitors: None.

4. City Manager's Report:

(a) City Manager Brad Stafford presented an update on the Grace Park art contest winners.

(b) City Manager Brad Stafford presented an update on the Hillside Drive drainage project.

Citizen Connie Clements addressed the City Council and thanked the utility crew that worked in her yard repairing a sewer line. She said they were very polite, respectful and very professional and wanted to make sure they were acknowledged.

(c) There was not an update on Boards and Commissions.

(d) City Council members and staff informed the audience about upcoming community events.

City Manager Brad Stafford updated the City Council that the County Clerk's office is at a 90% completion rate on reports so we are now eligible to apply for grants. He thanked Carolyn Newman and Cori Mooney for their hard work and getting the reports completed.

5. Mayor Bert Miller recognized Christian Ashley, Shiloh George, Colson Hildreth and Raymond Wood, with Boy Scout Troop 249, on achieving their Eagle Scout Honors. Mayor Bert Miller presented each Boy Scout with a proclamation. Boy Scout Raymond Wood made a presentation before City Council on the completion of his project of the map located at the entrance of Oakland Cemetery.

6. Navasota/Grimes County Chamber of Commerce Executive Director, Johnny McNally, made a presentation before the City Council on the Chambers 2015 year-end review.

7. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to award the bid for the Horlock House parking lot to TexCon General Contractors in the amount of $207,523.50, seconded by Councilmember Grant Holt. The following votes were recorded:

AYES: Mayor Bert Miller, Councilmember Bernie Gessner, Councilmember Grant Holt and Councilmember Geoff Horn

NAYS: Mayor Pro-Tem Peter Canney

ABSTAIN: None

Mayor Bert Miller announced that the motion carried.

8. The City Council reviewed the quarterly investment report for the quarter ending December 31, 2015 as presented by Finance Director, Lance Hall.

9. Mayor Pro-Tem Peter Canney moved to reject all bids on the library roof and rebid for a metal roof and hiring an engineer or architect to develop specifications, seconded by Councilmember Geoff Horn and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

10. Mayor Pro-Tem Peter Canney moved to approve the order of election for the May 7, 2016 City election to elect three City Councilmembers to Positions 1, 2 and 3, seconded by Councilmember Bernie Gessner and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

11. Mayor Pro-Tem Peter Canney moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 780-16, amending Appendix A, Fee Schedule of the Code of Ordinances by repealing Article A3.000 Violation of Municipal Ordinances, seconded by Councilmember Geoff Horn and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

12. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve the consent agenda items which include the minutes and expenditures for the month of January 2016 and the second reading of Ordinance No. 779-16, authorizing participation with other Entergy Service Area cities, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Peter Canney and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

13. Mayor Bert Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:10 p.m.

BERT MILLER, MAYOR

ATTEST:

SUSIE M. HOMEYER, CITY SECRETARY

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