



Minutes
Flatonia City Council
Regular Meeting
December 12, 2023, at 6:00 p.m.

Present:

Mayor	Dennis Geesaman
Mayor Pro Tem	Joanye Eversole
Councilmembers	Ginny Sears
	Allen Kocian
	Donna Cockrell
City Manager	Sonya Bishop
City Secretary	Jacqueline Ott
Police Chief	Lee Dick

Absent:

Councilmember	Travis Seale
Utility Director	Jack Pavlas

Opening Agenda

Call to Order Mayor Geesaman called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation & Pledge Councilman Kocian led the invocation and pledges.

PH1. Public Hearing on the request from Linda Wiley for a replat on the property located at 714 South Faires Street, Flatonia, Texas 78941. The property is identified with the Fayette County Appraisal District as PID #110024. The request is to divide the property into two lots.

PH2. Public Hearing on the request from Stephen Reddish for a replat on the property located at 734 South Market Street, Flatonia, Texas 78941. The property is identified with the Fayette County Appraisal District as PID #27486. The request is to divide the property into two lots.

Reports

Police Chief October Report
New patrol officer Ryan Thomas was introduced to the Council. Mayor Geesaman congratulated Chief Dick on receiving an award from Flatonia ISD.

Utility Director October Report
City Manager Bishop informed the Council that a new utility crew member, Wil Markwood, was hired. Councilman Kocian questioned why there has not been more effort

made to hire a full utility crew. City Manager Bishop said she will begin the search for a new groundskeeper in the spring.

Code Enforcement **October Report**
City Secretary Ott informed the Council a dilapidated house was removed over the weekend. Code Enforcement Official Hernandez is being trained in the administrative aspects of the job and will begin weekly patrols on her own. City Secretary Ott will be attending an election class on January 10-12, 2024.

City Manager **October Report**
City Manager Bishop gave an update on the restroom construction at 7 Acre Park. After meeting with several professionals, it was determined the existing structure must be torn down. The plumbing can be salvaged, but the building itself is unsafe. Councilwoman Cockrell asked for the status of the baseball field. Mayor Geesaman informed the Council the American Legion lease is still in negotiations; therefore, the baseball field transfer is still in transition. Mayor Pro Tem Eversole asked for an update on the recent audit. City Manager Bishop stated the audit is wrapping up and should be finalized soon.

Consent Agenda

C1. Councilwoman Sears motioned to approve the November 14, 2023, meeting minutes. Councilman Kocian seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

C2. Councilwoman Sears motioned to approve the financial statements for November 2023. Councilman Kocian seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Deliberation Agenda

DA12.2.2023.1 Councilwoman Sears moved to approve the request from Linda Wiley for a replat on the property located at 714 South Faires Street, Flatonia, Texas 78941. The property is identified with the Fayette County Appraisal District as PID #110024. The request is to divide the property into two lots. Mayor Pro Tem Eversole seconded the motion. Councilman Kocian abstained from the vote. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

DA12.2.2023.2 Mayor Pro Tem Eversole moved to approve the request from Stephen Reddish for a replat on the property located at 734 South Market Street, Flatonia, Texas 78941. The property is identified with the Fayette County Appraisal District as PID #27486. The request is to divide the property into two lots. There was not a second. Motion died for lack of second.

DA12.2.2023.3 Councilwoman Cockrell moved to approve Ordinance 2023.12.1, a Police Department budget amendment. The request is to deduct \$3,681 from personnel funds and move it to equipment funds for the purchase of body cameras. Councilman Kocian seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

DA12.2.2023.4 Mayor Pro Tem Eversole moved to approve the proposed contract with Schneider Engineering. Councilwoman Cockrell seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

DA12.2.2023.5 Mayor Pro Tem Eversole moved to approve the proposed contract with AT&T. Councilwoman Cockrell seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

DA12.2.2023.6

Mayor Pro Tem Eversole moved to approve the quote of \$18,800 from Compass Abatement to remove asbestos from the old firehouse. Councilwoman Cockrell seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously.

Adjournment

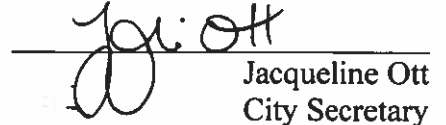
Councilman Kocian moved to end the meeting. Mayor Pro Tem Eversole seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried unanimously. Mayor Geesaman adjourned the meeting at 6:38 p.m.

Signed



Dennis Geesaman
Mayor

Attest



Jacqueline Ott
City Secretary

