

Minutes

The City of Princeton

Regular City Council Meeting of April 27, 2010

The City Council of the City of Princeton, Texas, met in regular session in the Council Chamber of City Hall on April 27, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.

The following Councilmembers were present: Mayor Ken Bowers, Councilmember Bruce Beauchamp, Councilmember Rick Wheeler, Councilmember JM Caldwell and Councilmember Steven Deffibaugh. The following Staff Members were present: City Administrator Lee Lawrence, Assistant City Administrator Lesia Thornhill, Deputy City Secretary/Grant Coordinator Tabatha Monk, Police Chief Jeff Barnett, Fire Marshall Derek Borg, City Attorney Bonnie Goldstein, and Parks Coordinator Cathy Dunkel. Absent was Mayor Pro Tempore Billy Combest.

Mayor **Bowers** called the City Council Meeting to order at 7:35 PM.

Mayor **Bowers** called roll, present were Mayor **Bowers**, Councilmembers **Beauchamp, Wheeler, Caldwell** and **Deffibaugh**. Absent was Mayor Pro Tempore **Combest**.

Mayor **Bowers** then asked Councilmember **Deffibaugh** to lead the Council and audience in the invocation.

Mayor **Bowers** then asked Councilmember **Beauchamp** to lead the audience in the **Pledge of Allegiance**.

Mayor **Bowers** then announced **Citizen Appearance**.

Mayor **Bowers** then announced the Consent Agenda: All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember so request, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda. a. Discussion and possible approval

of the City Council meeting minutes for April 13, 2010. b. Discussion and possible approval of an agreement between the City and Stronghold Construction Group and authorizing the Mayor to sign. Councilmember **Deffibaugh made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda.** Councilmember **Beauchamp seconded the motion.** The **motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor **Bowers** then announced the first item under the Regular Agenda: **(2010-073)** "Resolution calling a public hearing and directing publication of notice of public hearing and intention to issue Certificates of Obligation for Fire Station and park Improvements". Leroy Grawunder, Bond Council, informed the Council on this process and procedures. Councilmember **Beauchamp made a motion to staff to move forward on the issuance of CO's.** Councilmember **Caldwell seconded the motion.** The **motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor **Bowers** then announced the second item under the Regular Agenda: **(2010-074)** "Discussion and possible action regarding the audit report for fiscal year 2008/2009 and discussion of the financial report". Neal Conway of Conway and Associates presented to Council the audit report. To summarize his report: the city is in good financial shape, overall. No action was taken.

Mayor **Bowers** then announced the third item under the Regular Agenda: **(2010-075)** "Public hearing to consider public comment regarding a Specific Use Permit application to allow for boat sales, repair shop and a small tackle store as required by the City of Princeton's Zoning Ordinance (Ordinance No. 2009-06-09)".

Mayor **Bowers** opened the public hearing at 8:02 p.m.

Christine Close spoke for this item. Marcus Close also spoke for this item.

Mayor **Bowers** closed the public hearing at 8:04 p.m.

Ms. Close and her son, Marcus, answered questions from the Council regarding this proposed establishment. Council expressed concerns about keeping in compliance

with all city ordinances. An ordinance will be brought back for possible approval at the next regular meeting. No action was taken.

Mayor **Bowers** then announced the fourth item on the Regular Agenda: **(2010-076)** "Discussion and possible action regarding an appeal by Douglas & Evelyn Abbott at 506 Calm Water Cove, Princeton, Texas, from provisions of Ordinance No. 2008-06-10-02 Chapter 30 regarding the International Fire Code, Sprinkler System". Mr. Abbott addressed the Council regarding his request. Mr. Abbott stated that the information on the permit application was incorrect and his house was designed based on what he was told by Staff. Fire Marshall Borg said that some information was overlooked by Staff. Mayor **Bowers** asked that this item be discussed in Executive Session for legal advice. After Executive Session Mayor **Bowers** reopened this item. Councilmember **Wheeler** **made a motion to approve the appeal and asked that Development/Planning Staff review all forms.** Councilmember **Caldwell** **seconded the motion.** The **motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor **Bowers** then announced the fifth item under the Regular Agenda: **(2010-077)** "Discussion and possible approval of a contract with Morris Engineers for preparation of plans and specifications for street improvements for the following: a. Allenwood Drive b. South Third Street (Princeton Drive to Hazelwood) c. Willow Lane". City Administrator, Lee Lawrence, discussed this item with Council. Mr. Lawrence advised that the cost for this service was approximately \$58,000.00 for the Engineering and approximately \$7,000.00 for survey, depending on the Survey Company used. Councilmember **Beauchamp** **made a motion to approve with 31' asphalt street, lay down curb.** Councilmember **Deffibaugh** **seconded the motion.** The **motion carried unanimously.**

Mayor **Bowers** then announced the sixth item on the Regular Agenda: **(2010-078)** "Discussion and possible approval to accept the resignations of Todd Kirkham and Michael Roberts from the Planning and Zoning Commission". Councilmember

Deffibaugh made a motion to approve. Councilmember **Caldwell seconded the motion.** The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor **Bowers** then announced the seventh item under the Regular Agenda: **(2010-079)** "Presentation by Princeton Volunteer Assistant Fire Chief Derek Borg regarding updates on Fire Department Grants". Fire Marshall Borg updated Council on all the grants the Fire Department has been awarded and the ones pending. No action required.

Mayor **Bowers** then announced the eighth item under the Regular Agenda: **(2010-080)** "Discussion by Councilmember Beauchamp regarding the creation of a Community Event Board". Councilmember **Beauchamp** discussed this item. He would like to have a Committee to put together city wide events every quarter or so and have individuals on the committee an employee from the Princeton Independent School District, City of Princeton, Police Department, Fire Department, Parks Board, Chamber of Commerce and a local resident of Princeton. Staff will be bringing back a Resolution to form such committee for approval. No action required.

Mayor **Bowers** then announced the ninth item under the Regular Agenda: **(2010-081)** "Discussion and possible approval of membership in North Central Texas Council of Governments Emergency Preparedness Group". Fire Marshall Borg presented this item and stated that he did not feel the city was in a situation for the need to approve this item. Mr. Lawrence agreed. Councilmember **Deffibaugh made a motion to deny.** Councilmember **Wheeler seconded the motion.** The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor **Bowers** then announce the tenth item under the Regular Agenda: **(2010-082)** "Request for items to be placed on a future agenda and NOT for discussion of these requests". Councilmember **Deffibaugh** asked about the status of the name change for the library and a dedication service. Councilmember **Caldwell** asked for an item on the agenda for him to present an album to Mr. Lawrence. Councilmember **Beauchamp** asked a discussion regarding ditch work to be placed on the agenda.

Mayor **Bowers** asked for an item regarding Freese & Nichols engineering services and project status as well as inspection services by Bureau Veritas. Councilmember **Wheeler** asked for an update on Jefferson Street.

Mayor **Bowers** then announced the first item under the Report Agenda: City Administrator.

Mr. Lawrence updated Council on the following items: Collin Central Appraisal District, 2010 Preliminary Value Information (appraisal values expected to be lower than last year), Bureau Veritas (information would be brought back at the next meeting regarding inspection in Princeton Meadows), Monte Carlo (information would be brought back at the next meeting), FM 982 (status of project, nearing completing and coming in at budget), and the Community Park (parking lot should be poured in next day or so).

Mayor **Bowers** announced the Council would adjourn into Executive Session citing the following: **Section 551.071 (2) "Texas Government Code"** Consultation with City Attorney. **Section 551.071 "Texas Government Code"** Pending or Contemplated litigation. **Section 551.074 (a) (1) "Texas Government Code"** Personnel.

Mayor **Bowers** adjourned into Executive Session at 9:19 p.m.

Mayor **Bowers** reconvened into Regular Session at 10:09 p.m.

Mayor **Bowers** then announced "**Action pertaining to the Executive Session**". No action but Council would be returning to item number 2010-076.

Councilmember **Beauchamp made a motion to adjourn**. Councilmember **Caldwell seconded the motion**. The motion carried unanimously.

Mayor **Bowers adjourned the meeting at 10:10 p.m.**

Ken Bowers 5/11/10
Ken Bowers, Mayor Date

ATTEST:

Lesia Thornhill 5/11/10
Lesia Thornhill, City Secretary Date

