

Somerville City Council
Regular Meeting
June 12, 2018

The Somerville City Council met in a regularly scheduled meeting, on June 12, 2018, in the Somerville Senior Citizens Center. Present were Mayor Pro-tem Don Murray; Alderman Joel Brock, Alderman Jeff Schoppe, Alderwoman Shelley Gotte and Alderwoman Angelia Beene; City Administrator Ben Griffin; City Secretary Rose Rosser; Visitor's Register - on file in the City Secretary's Office.

CALL TO ORDER

6:20 PM - The meeting was called to Order at this time by Mayor Pro-tem Murray.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Invocation was given by Administrator Griffin. Pledge of Allegiance followed immediately thereafter.

EXCUSED ABSENCES

All Council Members were present at the meeting.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Alderwoman Schoppe to **approve** the Minutes of the May 15, 2018 City Council meeting and the May 29, 2018 City Council meeting. **Seconded** by Alderman Brock. Motion **carried** unanimously.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Motion made by Alderwoman Beene to **approve** the monthly financial report, monthly sales tax report and the open invoice report payments. **Seconded** by Alderman Schoppe. Motion **carried** unanimously.

CITIZENS REQUESTING TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

NONE

PUBLIC HEARING

NONE

PROCLAMATIONS

Mayor Pro-tem Murray proclaimed June 14, 2018 as National Flag Day and presented Margaret Polansky with the Proclamation.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

TCEQ Water Violation Update

Violation notices were initially mailed out to notify all customers of the violation. The City flushed the lines and adjusted chemicals. The City tested the water and the results of the samples taken came back within range. TCEQ also tested the water and the City is waiting on those results to come back.

Street Repairs

Burleson County will be working with the City of Somerville to chip and seal Harvey House Road.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

6:32 PM - Mayor Pro-tem Murray called executive session to order at this time to discuss personnel pursuant to Section 551.074, Texas Government Code. Those present in executive session were Mayor Pro-tem Murray; Alderman Schoppe, Alderwoman Gotte, Alderman Brock, Alderwoman Beene and Administrator Griffin.

RECONVENE

7:06 PM - Meeting reconvened to open session by Mayor-Pro tem at this time.

ACTION ITEMS

Requests for Proposals

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve tabling** Requests for Proposal (RFP) for operating the City Water and Waste Water Systems. **Seconded** to **table** by Alderwoman Gotte. Motion to **table carried** unanimously.

Appointment of Mayor

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve tabling** appointing a citizen to fill the open position of Mayor. **Seconded** to **table** by Alderwoman Beene. Motion to **table carried** unanimously.

Ordinance 18-003 Entergy Rate Case

Motion made by Alderwoman Beene to **approve** denying Ordinance 18-003, an Ordinance denying the Entergy Rate Case pending at the Public Utility Commission. **Seconded** by Alderman Schoppe. Motion **carried** unanimously.

CDBG / GLO

Vicki Spiess with Grantworks explained that the CDBG Grant will be to redo drainage and streets damaged by flooding in Anita Heights. Motion made by Alderwoman Beene to **approve** (1) Resolution authorizing signatories, (2) Resolution regarding Civil Rights, (3) Citizens participation plan, (4) Section 3 Policy (re: job planning, employment and contracting opportunities), (5) Excessive force policy, (6) Section 504 Policy against discrimination based on handicap and grievance procedures, (7) Code of conduct policy of the City of Somerville, (8) Fair Housing policy (9) Proclamation of April as fair housing month. **Seconded** by Alderman Schoppe. Motion **carried** unanimously.

Resolution R18-007

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** Resolution R18-007, a resolution of the City of Somerville to continue to participate and oppose the rate increase (ATMOS Energy). **Seconded** by Alderman Brock. Motion **carried** unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Police Department Activity Report

Chief Loftin reported on Police Department activity for the month of May 2018.

Municipal Court Activity

Rose Rosser reported on Municipal Court activity for the month of May 2018.

Code Enforcement Activity Report

Kathy Pollock was not at the meeting but City Council was given a written report on Code Enforcement activity for the month of May 2018.

Visitor’s Center Activity Report

Brenda Kolojaco reported on Visitor’s Center activity for the month of May 2018.

City Manager’s Report

Ben Griffin reported that the 6th Street, Harvey House and Gun Range projects are complete.

Alderman’s Comments

Alderwoman Beene said it was a great meeting, she loves staying busy.

Alderman Brock said that the City is making progress.

Alderman Schoppe thanked everyone.

ADJOURN

7:22 PM - Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** adjourning the meeting at this time. **Seconded** by Alderman Brock. Motion **carried** unanimously.

Passed: _____

Mayor Pro-tem, Don Murray

I, Rose Rosser, City Secretary for the City of Somerville, Texas, do hereby certify that I am the custodian of the records for the City of Somerville, Texas, and that the above is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the regularly scheduled meeting held on June 12, 2018.

Rose Rosser, City Secretary