

Somerville City Council
Regular Meeting
July 10, 2018

The Somerville City Council met in a regularly scheduled meeting, on July 10, 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.

5:48 PM - Public Hearing called by Mayor Pro-tem Murray (prior to regular City Council Meeting) in regards to a request for a Specific Use Permit, in keeping with the requirements of the Manufactured Home Ordinance of the City of Somerville. Administrator Griffin reviewed the request with Council and citizens that were present. Ms. Maria Garcia and her daughter introduced their family and thanked council for their time. Margie Faust and Robert Hollaman would like to see the family put a Manufactured Home on the Lot located at 307 12th Street. Barney McCorkle does not want it there. Public Hearing closed at **6:00 PM**.

CALL TO ORDER

6:18 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 this meeting.

CITIZENS COMMENTS

NONE

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** the Minutes of the June 12, 2018 City Council meeting. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Gotte. Motion **carried** unanimously.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** the monthly financial report, monthly sales tax report and check register for June 2018. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Beene. Motion **carried** unanimously.

CITIZENS REQUESTING TO ADDRESS THE COUNCIL

Mr. Ben Flencher spoke to City Council on the condition of the streets. He asked that they hold a town hall meeting for the citizens to have input on solutions. City Council has tentatively scheduled a town hall meeting for July 30, 2018.

DISCUSSION ITEMS

Administrator Griffin and City Council discussed the following: TX GLO disaster funds from Hurricane Harvey. The City of Somerville will be getting about \$160,000; and would like to have a budget workshop on July 31, 2018.

ACTION ITEMS

HDU Services

Motion made by Alderwoman Beene to **approve** contract with HDU Services, LLC for operating the City Water and Waste Water Systems. **Seconded** by Alderman Schoppe. Motion **carried** unanimously.

TCDB Grant Cycle 2019-2020 / Resolution R18-008

Motion made by Alderwoman Beene to **approve** Resolution R18-008, a resolution of the City of Somerville, Texas, selecting a Grant Writer/Administrator in connection with the submittal of an application for funding through the Texas Department of Agriculture, Texas Community Development Block Grant, Cycle 2019-2020. **Seconded** by Alderman Schoppe. Motion **carried** unanimously.

Specific Use Permit

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** the request for a Specific Use Permit for Adan Reyna and Maria Alma Garcia to install a new HUD Code Home for residential use at 307 12th Street. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Gotte. Alderwoman Beene was **opposed**. Motion **carried** by a vote of 3 for and 1 against.

Resolution R18-009 / Interlocal Agreement with SISD

Motion made by Alderwoman Beene to **approve** Resolution R18-009, a resolution of the City of Somerville, Texas, to enter into an Interlocal Agreement with Somerville Independent School District to provide a School Resource Officer. **Seconded** by Alderman Schoppe. Motion **carried** unanimously.

TxDOT / Heritage Square Project

Motion made by Alderwoman Beene to **approve** the requests from TxDOT for assistance with the Heritage Square Project as follows: (a) Hire an electrician to provide power as per plan submitted by TxDOT; (b) Permit TxDOT to demolish and remove the existing lamp posts OR remove and salvage the lamp posts (cut electrical, break out concrete, store until needed) at the City's cost; (c) Have Public works pothole the monument base to determine the depth; (d) Remove bricks with volunteer or in house labor and store them on the stage. **Seconded** by Alderman Schoppe. Motion **carried** unanimously.

INFORMATION ITEMS

Police Department Activity

Chief Loftin reported in Police Dept. Activity for the month of June 2018.

Municipal Court Activity

Rose Rosser reported on Municipal Court Activity for the month of June 2018.

Public Works Activity

Dennis Moehlmann reported on Public Works Activity for the month of June 2018.

Code Enforcement Activity

Kathy Pollock reported on Code Enforcement Activity for the month of June 2018.

Visitor's Center Activity

Brenda Kolojaco reported on the Visitor's Center Activity for the month of June 2018.

City Manager's Report

Administrator Griffin reported that construction projects and paving on Harvey House and 6th Street are Complete; Public Works is putting together a work schedule; the Mayor position is still open, we have received 1 application and the City Council stated previously that they want at least 5 applications to review.

ALDERMAN'S COMMENTS

Alderwoman Beene and Alderwoman Gotte both said good meeting.

ADJOURN

7:03 PM - Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** adjourning the meeting at this time. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Beene. 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 10, 2018.

Rose Rosser, City Secretary