

**Somerville City Council**  
**Regular Meeting**  
**October 10, 2017**

The Somerville City Council met in a regularly scheduled meeting, on October 10, 2017, at the Somerville Senior Citizens Center. Present were Mayor Ken Tharp; Alderman Don Murray, Alderwoman Kim Camarillo, Alderwoman Angelia Beene, Alderman Joel Brock and Alderman Jeff Schoppe; City Administrator Ben Griffin; City Secretary Rose Rosser; Visitor's Register - on file in the City Secretary's Office.

**CALL TO ORDER**

**6:05 PM** - The meeting was called to Order at this time by Mayor Tharp.

**INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Invocation was given by Alderman Murray. Pledge of Allegiance followed immediately thereafter.

**EXCUSED ABSENCES**

All Council Members were present at this meeting.

**CITIZEN'S COMMENTS**

NONE

**APPROVAL OF MINUTES**

Motion made by Alderman Brock to **approve** the minutes of the September 12, 2017 regular Council Meeting. **Seconded** by Alderman Murray. Motion **carried** unanimously.

**FINANCIAL MATTERS**

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

**CITIZENS REQUESTING TO ADDRESS COUNCIL**

NONE

**PROCLAMATIONS**

NONE

**PRESENTATIONS**

NONE

## **ACTION ITEMS**

### **Ordinance Number 17-008 / Budget Amendment**

Motion made by Alderman Brock to **approve** Ordinance Number 17-008, an ordinance amending the budget for the City of Somerville, Texas Fiscal Year 2016-2017. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Camarillo. Motion **carried** unanimously.

### **Resolution R17-013 / Chief of Police Resignation / Interim Chief Appointment**

Was moved to the end of the meeting to allow City Council to go into executive (closed) session to discuss this item. Agenda item number 15 was listed as an executive session to be entered into at the discretion of the City Council for discussion before Voting on Resolution R17-013.

### **Resolution R17-011 / Professional Service Provider CDBG Disaster Recovery Project**

Motion made by Alderwoman Beene to **approve** Resolution R17-011, a resolution authorizing the award of the professional service provider contract for the Community Development Block Grant – Disaster Recovery Project. **Seconded** by Alderman Murray. Motion **carried** unanimously.

### **Resolution R17-012 / “Somerville Visitors Center”**

Motion made by Alderman Murray to **approve** Resolution R17-012, a resolution of the City of Somerville to establish the “Somerville Visitors Center” **Seconded** by Alderwoman Camarillo. Motion **carried** unanimously.

### **Demolition of Condemned Structures**

Motion made by Alderwoman Beene to **approve** awarding a contract for the demolition of condemned structures (ACP-116-1014) to Meredith Environmental, Inc. Staff recommendations regarding base bid versus base bid plus additive alternates; Authorizing the City Administrator to execute all documents related to this contract. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Camarillo. Motion **carried** unanimously.

### **Repairs to Gun Range Road / FEMA PW-00654**

Motion made by Alderman Murray to **approve** awarding a contract to O’Malley Strand for the repairs to Gun Range Road from the 2016 flood disaster (FEMA PW-00654). Authorizing the City Administrator to execute all documents related to this contract. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Beene. Motion **carried** unanimously.

### **One Time Test / Street Repairs**

Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** a one-time test of repairing streets in house. **Seconded** by Alderwoman Camarillo. Motion **carried** unanimously.

## **INFORMATION ITEMS**

### **Police Department Activity Report**

Officer Joe Brown reported on Police Department Activity for the month of September 2017.

### **Municipal Court Activity Report**

Rose Rosser reported on Municipal Court Activity for the month of September 2017.

### **Code Enforcement Activity Report**

Kathy Pollock reported on Code Enforcement Activity for the month of September 2017.

### **Mayor's Report & Comments**

It's been a busy month working on 7th Street drainage; reworking the solid waste ordinance; POSWCD Conference in Milano was good, 4 people represented Somerville.

### **City Manager's Report**

City Administrator Ben Griffin is working on reimbursement for expenses from FEMA for flood; wants to get quotes on a new mower so that the City can do some of the mowing in house; would like for the City to start mowing right of ways to set an example for Citizens; wants to set up a meeting next week to discuss the Welch Park Lease.

### **Aldermen Comments**

Alderman Schoppe is glad to have Ben Griffin here.

Alderwoman Camarillo said it was a good meeting and thanked Kathy Pollock.

Alderwoman Beene said ditto.

Alderman Murray said it was a good meeting.

### **EXECUTIVE SESSION**

**6:42 PM** - Executive Session was called to Order by Mayor Tharp at this time to discuss the procedure for the replacement of the Chief of Police and discuss the placement of an Interim Chief of Police, (Section 551.074, Texas Government Code). Present in Executive Session were Mayor Tharp, Alderman Brock, Alderwoman Camarillo, Alderwoman Beene, Alderman Murray, Alderman Schoppe and Administrator Griffin. All others were asked to step outside.

**7:12 PM** - Meeting reconvened to open session by Mayor Tharp at this time. Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** Resolution R17-013 accepting the resignation of Police Chief Nic Malmstrom and Appointing an Interim Police Chief (Joe Brown). **Seconded** by Alderwoman Camarillo. Motion **carried** unanimously.

### **ADJOURN**

**7:15 PM** - Motion made by Alderman Schoppe to **approve** adjourning the meeting at this time. **Seconded** by Alderman Murray. Motion **carried** unanimously.

Passed: \_\_\_\_\_

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Ken Tharp, Mayor

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 October 10, 2017.

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Rose Rosser, City Secretary