

MINUTES

BOARD OF COMMISSIONERS

The Board of Commissioners of the City of Burkburnett, Texas met in a regular called meeting on Monday, August 18, 2008 at 7:00 p.m. in the Council Chambers of the City Hall, 501 Sheppard Road, Burkburnett, Texas. The meeting was open to the public with notice being given in compliance with the Open Meeting Act. The following Commissioners were present:

Carl Law	Mayor
Michael Tugman	Mayor Pro-Tem
Charlene Lewis	Commissioner
Billy T. Elder	Commissioner
Scott Dolan	Commissioner
Jim Phillips	Commissioner
Charlie McCullough	Commissioner

Other's present were: Mike Slye, City Manager; Trish Holley, City Clerk; Dale Lewis, Director of Administration; Michael Whaley, Director of Public Works and Mike Tracey, Chief of Police and Representative David Farabee.

Other's present: Donnie & Brenda Shepard, Daisy Chancellor, Rex Bristol, Katy Dickey, Mike & Debbie Graham, Lahoma Wood, John Reinke, W.L. Bunton, Michael Bunton, Marlowe Waddell, Ted Kwas, Flora Holland, Carol Holland, Bill Pickett, Clay Gahagan, Glen Hutchinson, Scott & Rhonde Simmons, Wade Medberry, Mickey Simmons, Curtis Salyer, Wendy Duke, Mel Feller, Scott Cammann, Eloise Law, Jim Pitts, Bill Lindenborn, Bill Vincent, John Hopkins, Scott Hogue & family, Warren Fretz, Thomas Watson, Kelly Bolen, Jim Duke, Jack Baber, Sue Waddell, Marian Helmick and a few others had signed in but the names were not legible.

Jeff Bromley representing Burkburnett Informer Star was present.

Item 1. Mayor Law called the meeting to order and welcomed the visitors.

Item 2. Reverend Bill Liggett, Pastor of First Baptist Church gave the invocation.

Item 3. Comments from Citizens/Visitors.

Mel Feller, 914 Kiowa, Burkburnett, Texas
Pocket Park

Rex Bristol, 529 Charlotte, Burkburnett, Texas
Budget

Mayor Law reviewed Ordinance Number 552, the official rules and procedures of the City Commissioners. Mayor Law stated the ordinance is in consistent in Section V and VI regarding comments from audience. Mayor Law asked for Mike Slye, City Manager to review and present a corrected version at a later date.

Item 4. Mayor Law reviewed the Consent Agenda Items.

A. Approval of the minutes from July 21st, 24th and 28th, 2008.

Motion was made by Commissioner Elder, seconded by Commissioner McCullough to approve Consent Agenda Item 4A. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 5. Mayor Law closed the regular meeting and opened the “Public Hearing” for public input regarding the 2007 Drinking Water Quality Report (Consumer Confidence Report) at 7:14 p.m.

Mike Whaley, Director of Public Works addressed the Commissioners. Mr. Whaley stated the annual water quality report was mailed to each water customer in Burkburnett. The Texas Commission on Environmental Quality requires this action to be taken by municipalities. The report contains a list of the federally regulated or monitored constituents that are found in drinking water. There are no EPA or TCEQ violations contained or reported in this year’s report.

Item 6. Mayor Law closed the “Public Hearing” and re-opened the regular meeting to the public at 7:17 p.m.

Item 7. Mayor Law closed the regular meeting and opened the “Budget Hearing” to discuss the proposed Fiscal-Year 2009 Operating Budget at 7:18 p.m.

Mike Slye, City Manager presented a balanced budget to the Commissioners and visitors. Mr. Slye briefly reviewed the Fiscal-Year 2009 budget highlights and capital improvements.

Local citizen Rex Bristol, 529 Charlotte, Burkburnett, Texas addressed the Commissioners during the hearing regarding the budget.

Item 8. Mayor Law closed the “Budget Hearing” and re-opened the regular meeting to the public at 7:52 p.m.

Item 9. Motion was made by Commissioner Tugman, seconded by Commissioner Phillips to approve the appointment of Mr. Glen Barham to serve on the Wichita-Wilbarger 9-1-1 District Board of Managers (replacement to fill Mike Norrie’s unexpired term which ends May 15, 2009). Motion carried unanimously.

Item 10. Resolution Number 438 was presented in its entirety. A resolution creating and authorizing participation in an additional 457 Deferred Compensation Plan.

Motion was made by Commissioner Elder, seconded by Commissioner Dolan to approve Resolution Number 438 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 11. Resolution Number 439 was presented in its entirety. A resolution authorizing submission of a Texas Community Development Block Grant.

Motion was made by Commissioner Tugman, seconded by Commissioner Dolan to approve Resolution Number 439 as presented. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 12. Motion was made by Commissioner Elder, seconded by Commissioner McCullough to approve the renewal of the water tower leases with Amerilink. Motion carried unanimously.

Item 13. The Commissioners reviewed the monthly reports.

Item 14. Mike Slye, City Manager addressed the Commissioners. Mr. Slye reported on August 27th he would be attending a Cities Aggregation Power Project in Plano to discuss the long-term electrical power purchases.

Mr. Slye reported Texas Commission on Environmental Quality has approved the SEP application and is forwarding the request to the Board for final approval.

Mr. Slye stated a settlement has been approved for Atmos rate increase and an ordinance will be presented at the next meeting approving the increase.

In closing, Mr. Slye reminded the board of the Texas Municipal League Region 5 meeting in Bowie. Mr. Slye asked Officer Scott Hogue to please come to the front: Mr. Slye reported Hardin Elementary Principle and Cindy Waddell had nominated Officer Hogue as “Hero for Children” and submitted the nomination to the State Board of Education. Officer Hogue was one of 15 selected to receive the award and the City of Burkburnett is proud of Officer Hogue and what he represents to our community. A standing ovation was given honoring Officer Hogue.

Item 12. Commissioner McCullough congratulated Officer Hogue and thanked the visitors for coming tonight and stated the Council is listening to the citizens and with time will work the issues out. Commissioner McCullough stated Mr. Bunton gave each Commissioner a letter and would like for a committee to meet and discuss/resolve the issues Mr. Bunton is addressing.

Commissioner Elder congratulated Office Hogue. Commissioner Elder thanked Representative Farabee for presenting the 457 Deferred Plan and for lobbying to get a Property Code law changed.

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Commissioner Phillips congratulated Officer Hogue.

Commissioner Tugman thanked the visitors for coming and congratulated Officer Hogue.

Commissioner Lewis congratulated Officer Hogue and thanked those that had called and sent cards to Bill.

Commissioner Dolan thanked those in attendance tonight and congratulated Officer Hogue.

At this time, Mr. Slye stated a special called meeting is scheduled for September 4th at noon to review the Burkburnett Police Department Internal Investigation and the Hotel Occupancy Tax Committee will meet on September 5th at 11:00 a.m.

Mayor Law thanked the visitors and congratulated Officer Hogue for being an outstanding role model.

Item 13. Motion was made Commissioner Tugman seconded by Commissioner Elder to adjourn. Motion carried unanimously.

Carl Law, Mayor

ATTEST:

Trish Holley, City Clerk

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