

AGENDA
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
MONDAY, DECEMBER 10, 2007
5:15 P.M.
DIBOLL CITY HALL

1. Call to order.
2. Invocation.
3. Approve November 13, 2007 city council meeting minutes.
4. Discuss and possibly approve advertising for bids to repair and paint the Safety Center building.—During the 2007-2008 budget process, city council appropriated \$15,000 dollars for repairs to the public safety building. This was for minor repairs such as painting and replacing boards to the outside of the facility. However, in preliminary evaluations different options have surfaced in getting the job done. Staff is requesting permission to advertise for bids to repair and paint the building. If things turn out to be more extensive than planned, we may have to do some stop gap measures then include the building in a comprehensive facility study after evaluating the city's overall facilities.
5. Hear and discuss The Texas Local Government Code Chapter 43 concerning municipal annexation.—As requested by Mayor Brown this will be a presentation on the highlights of the state code as it pertains to municipal annexations. You have a copy of the complete code in your packet.
6. Hear and discuss The Texas Local Government Code Chapter 9 concerning Home Rule Municipalities.—Also, as requested by Mayor Brown this will be a presentation on the highlights of the state code as it pertains to Home Rule Municipalities. A copy of the code is included in your packet.
7. Discuss and possibly take action on energy saving plan by Johnson Controls.—Representatives of Johnson Controls, an energy solutions company will be here to make a presentation on possibly conducting an energy audit on our facilities in order to suggest ways to save the City of Diboll money. The first phase of the study would not cost us anything and will give us a report on money saving ideas. The actual implementation of the second phase while saving money could be very expensive and we would have to decide how to fund it. Staff suggests going through the first phase of getting the report on money saving ideas, then the council deciding whether or not to proceed with the second phase of Johnson Controls actually making the improvements.
8. Consider official request by Brookshire Brothers LTD. For a variances to the City of Diboll ordinance 06-04 section 4 to consider the Sale of Alcohol Beverages near School.—Mr. Jack Gabriel, Chief Operating Officer of Brookshire Brothers

has made a formal request for a variance to sell wine and beer at the Diboll store. In a possible show of the importance to Brookshire Brothers, Mr. Gabriel and Mr. Johnson the CEO is scheduled to be at the meeting to make a presentation to council. They have expressed to me the many safe guards that they put in place when faced with this situation in other towns. As required by our ordinance they have given notice to the Diboll Independent School District of their intentions. As a City we have to recognize the moral implication of this action, however we must also recognize the economic importance that this store has on our entire community and it is to our benefit that it flourishes. In being a good responsible corporate neighbor this store would do a better job of policing their actions than a convenience store. Council needs to strongly consider Brookshire Brothers request.

9. Consider and possibly approve credit card revisions.—In the purchasing process this city administration uses the credit card process more than in the past. With the advent of web based purchasing and stores having more requirements, the use of credit cards makes for easier and faster methods to purchase some products. This also provides advantages in travel and making arrangements for travel. We will also be raising the limit for the city manager, city secretary and finance director as other departments also need to make purchases and reservations on theirs. The Civic Center Director will be added as often times his hours of operation lend credence to his ability to make purchases when needed. Only key city personnel as identified by the Finance Director and City Manager will have cards. These cards will be closely monitored every month by the Finance Director as to limit the possibility of abuse. Normal City of Diboll purchasing policies will still have to be followed when making purchases with credit cards.
10. Financial review.—Finance Director Elvia Garza will provide a financial overview for the month of October 2007 along with information on what to expect from last years budget and the upcoming audit.
11. EXECUTIVE SESSION:
Under the authority of Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 et seq., the council, during the course of the meeting covered by this notice, may enter closed or executive session for any of the following reason:
551.74 Discussing personnel or to hear complaints against personnel.
 1. Discuss TMRS retirement plan.—As was mentioned in last week's memo all cities in the state of Texas retirement plan is going to have to be adjusted. We will give you a short report on this and hope to have a TMRS representative at the January meeting.
12. Public Forum.
13. City Manager Comments.
14. Council Comments.

15. Adjourn.