

MINUTES OF THE GOVERNING BODY OF THE CITY OF DIBOLL, TEXAS MEETING ON MONDAY, MARCH 14, 2016 AT 5:15 PM, DIBOLL CITY HALL

COUNCIL PRESENT

Mayor John McClain, City Attorney, Jimmy Cassels, Councilmember's, Mayor Pro Tem, Lewis Ivey, Don Hendrick, Charles Moses, Veronica Hernandez, Tom Farley and Daniel Lopez

ABSENT

STAFF PRESENT

City Manager Gerry Boren, City Secretary Sarah Thompson, Finance Director Elvia Garza, Public Work Dee Scarborough, Police Chief Steve Baker, Civic Center Director Loretta Christmas, Park Director Luis Maldonado and Code Inspection Officer Bryant McCollum.

Mayor McClain called the meeting to order and Kenny Hibbs gave the invocation.

Pledge of Allegiance was coordinate by those in attendance.

AUDIENCE PARTICIPATION: NONE

CONSENT ITEMS/ACTION: Items listed in the Consent agenda are considered routine and are generally enacted with one motion. The exception to this rule is that a Council Member may request one or more items be removed from the Consent Agenda for separate discussion and action.

ITEM #1: CONSIDER APPROVING MINUTES OF THE FEBRUARY 8, 2016 CITY COUNCIL MEETING.

Lewis Ivey made the motion to approve consent items and Don Hendrick second.

All in favor, none opposed, motion carries

ACTION /DISCUSSION ITEMS:

ITEM #2: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 09-16, CANCELLING THE MAY 7, 2016 MUNICIPAL ELECTION IN ACCORDANCE WITH SECTION 2.053(A) OF THE TEXAS ELECTION CODE.

City Manager, Gerry Boren reports there were no application for a place on a ballot filed for the 2016 Municipal Election therefore there will not be an Election held on May 7, 2016.

Don Hendrick made the motion to adopt the said Resolution and Lewis Ivey Second.

All in favor, none opposed, motion carries

ITEM #3: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION IN REFERENCE TO AN AGENDA REQUEST FROM CITIZEN, GARY MCKINNY AT 103 CHARLES HUNT IN REFERENCE TO THE CLEAN UP OF HIS PROPERTY ALONG WITH REQUESTING WATER SERVICES AT THIS ADDRESS.

City Manager, Gerry Boren reported that Mr. McKinny has requested the council to grant water access on his property located at 103 Charles Hunt. Mr. Boren also reported that Mr. McKinney is outside the city limits and needs to be encouraged to clean up the property. Mr. McKinney did not show up to the meeting therefore the request has been tabled.

ITEM#4: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 10-16. DESIGNATING CITY MANAGER, GERRY BOREN AS THE DESIGNATED COMMUNITY ECONOMIC DEVELOPER (DCED) FOR THE CITY OF DIBOLL.

City Manager, Gerry Boren reported to the council that the city doesn't have a DCED therefore he has elected himself. He has the credentials to do so and has the experience to market the community. Mr. Boren expressed his confidence that with an airport within 5 miles this is sure to be a positive impact for the community. There will also be an added tab to the new website that will promote economic development.

Lewis Ivey made the motion to adopt the said Resolution and Tom Farley second.

All in favor, none opposed, motion carries

ITEM #5: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 11-16, FOR THE CITY OF DIBOLL TO PARTICIPATE IN THE INTERLOCAL PURCHASING SYSTEM (TIPS) AND AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SIGN ALL RELATED DOCUMENTS.

City Manager, Gerry Boren reported the council that he has used this purchasing system prior to coming to Diboll. He states that by using TIPS a 10% discount is granted when ordering park equipment. Additional benches are projected to cost over \$10,000; this will ensue a total savings of \$3000; if purchased with TIPS.

Don Hendrick made the motion to adopt the said Resolution and Lewis Ivey second.

All in favor, none opposed, motion carries

ITEM #6: DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTION TO ADOPT RESOLUTION 12-16, FOR APPROVING A LEAK ADJUSTMENT AND RESOLUTION 13-16 FOR A PAYMENT PLAN

City Manager, Gerry Boren has suggested that the council enforce a leak and payment plan policy. There have been situations where citizens have had leaks that exceed well over the cost of their normal consumption. The city would like to help by allowing a payment plan option along with a leak adjustment policy. This will better serve the citizen and assist with large water consumptions, should they arise. Certain cases will be reviewed and handled on a case by case basis considering the situation in which will be reviewed by the council if needed.

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ITEM #7 REPORTING OF DEPARTMENT HEADS IN ATTENDANCE.

Park Director, Luis Maldonado reports the department has been busy putting in the new bleachers and mowing. A fence has been placed around the splash pad. The left over bleachers have been placed around town to assist with organizations and churches to better serve spectators.

Civic Center Director, Loretta Christmas reports there are several events next week. She is staying busy getting Tamale Festival going and training her two new part time assistants.

Finance Director, Elvia Garza reports that the auditors should have their reports soon. The Blue Light Special doubled this year. The roundup went very smooth and they collected from several repeat offenders that owed thousands of dollars.

Public Works Director, Dee Scarborough reports that due to all the rain the department have been super busy. Street Department has been cleaning culverts and assisting in the park. Everyone is helping one another and getting things done in a timely manner.

Police Chief, Steve Baker reports 264 calls of service for the month, 8 arrest and 394 traffic contacts. Chief also reported on the warrant roundup. He agreed that this was the best year ever. He and court have discussed having round up twice a year to stay on top of things. The new 911 system is up and running. The new monitors have been installed. This is great news for the DISD and the community; this will increase the safety of the students and staff should a situation arise.

CITY MANAGER REPORTS:

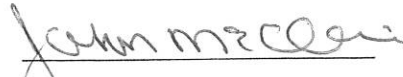
City Manager, Gerry Boren reports that the Diboll Youth Baseball-Softball program has been a success. A total of approximately 380 kids have signed up for the season. The concession stand is being updated with safety equipment and more healthy food options have been added. New bleachers and dugout bleachers are being installed the safety yellow caps have been added. The fields are being prepared for opening day and are looking better than ever.

Mr. Boren also reported on the Blue Light. The police department worked together with the court department and had a huge success, the best in years so he was told. We have begun the search to get a new website going to better serve the citizens and be more user friendly and loaded with information for the community. The employees will begin the salary survey that will let us know how we are compared to other cities compared to our census. We need to know we are and where we should be on paying our employees according to job descriptions and job value. An update will be given as more information is available.

ADJOURN:

Don Hendrick made the motion to adjourn at 5:52 PM and Lewis Ivey seconded.

All in Favor, none opposed, motion carries



Mayor, John McClain

ATTEST:



City Secretary, Sarah Thompson