

Minutes of the regular monthly meeting of the City Council of the City of Brownsville and the Brownsville HRA including all accounts audited by said Council.

DECEMBER 6, 2017

7:00 P.M.

CALL TO ORDER: This meeting was called to order by Mayor Timothy P. Serres at 7:00 p.m.

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: Dave Brickman, Rick Voshart, Tim Serres, Chelsey Leis, Gary Meiners

OTHERS PRESENT: Julie Thompson-Hakes, Jim Hakes, Al Whitesitt, Ben Novak, Casey Holzwarth, Mike Moriarty, Maureen Meiners

MINUTES: AT THIS TIME COUNCIL REVIEWED THE MINUTES FROM THE NOVEMBER 1, 2017 MEETING. A MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVE BRICKMAN, SECONDED BY RICK VOSHART, TO APPROVE THE MINUTES AS PREPARED BY THE CITY CLERK. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

FLOOR CORRESPONDENCE: NONE

OLD BUSINESS:

CHELSEY LEIS reported that Reinhart Construction will do the work on Brook Street in the spring of 2018 and honor the estimate quoted.

CASEY HOLZWARTH reported that the debris in ditch near Brook Street has been removed.

MIKE MORIARTY gave an update on the speed limit signs on County 18 & 3. He has contacted the Houston County Engineer and sent letters to commissioners requesting that speed limit signs be moved further out toward city limits.

RICK VOSHART discussed replacing the bathroom faucets at the community center. The cost would be approximately \$25.00 per cartridge. After some discussion council decide to go ahead with replacement cartridges. Rick offered to install said cartridges. Council discussed the purchase of a water softener for the community center. The cost would be approximately \$500.00. They will discuss further at the next meeting.

NEW BUSINESS: CASEY HOLZWARTH reported the following:

- tanks are pumped and sludge is spread
- Bjerke & Van Minsel residences will be hooked up to the sewer this week
- Adams Street repairs will be taken care of in the spring of 2018
- would like a letter sent to new hook ups on Mississippi Ln on what not to flush down toilet

FIRE DEPARTMENT: BEN NOVAK reported the following:

- the department is working on a co-op agreement with the DNR
- open house Monday night for new recruits

CITY CLERK: MIKE MORIARTY reported the following:

-1 resident is hooked up to the Mississippi Ln sewer and has been billed; residents will be billed for hook up assessment of \$3,600.00 when they connect. Property owners adjacent to new collection line will be billed for their share of construction in January 2018.

-the first interest payment on sewer project has been paid

-presented council with a resolution to adopt the Houston County Hazard Mitigation Plan 2017. After reading resolution, all council members voted in favor. Motion carried.

-City Attorney Jed Hammell is retiring. Attorney Michael Murphy has offered to take over as City Attorney. After some discussion A MOTION WAS MADE BY RICK VOSHART, SECONDED BY CHELSEY LEIS, TO HIRE MICHAEL MURPHY AS CITY OF BROWNSVILLE ATTORNEY. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

BILLS: AT THIS TIME COUNCIL REVIEWED A LIST OF BILLS PRESENTED BY THE CITY CLERK. A MOTION WAS MADE BY DAVE BRICKMAN, SECONDED BY RICK VOSHART TO PAY THE BILLS AS PRESENTED BY THE CITY CLERK. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

ADJOURNMENT: AT 7:40 P.M., A MOTION WAS MADE BY GARY MEINERS, SECONDED BY DAVE BRICKMAN TO ADJOURN THE MEETING. ALL VOTED IN FAVOR, MOTION CARRIED.

These minutes respectfully submitted by:

Michael J. Moriarty, City Clerk

Approved by me this 3rd day of January 2018:

Timothy P. Serres, Mayor