

**Minutes
Flatonia City Council
Regular Meeting
May 13, 2008**

Present:

**Mayor
Mayor Pro Tem
Councilpersons**

Jeff M. Hairgrove
Carlene Carlock
Len Waska
Kathy Collins
Jan Lahodny
Teri Wilks

City Staff

Melissa Brunner – City Secretary
Mike Noak – Police Chief
Jack Pavlas – Utility Director
Gregory Robinson - Code Compliance Officer

Opening Agenda

Call to Order

Mayor Hairgrove called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.

Invocation and Pledge

Mayor Pro Tem Carlock led the invocation and Mayor Hairgrove led the pledge.

Citizen's Participation

Kathryn Geesaman spoke concerning a quiet zone.

Cathy Horn gave an update on the railroad webcam project.

Dennis Geesaman spoke concerning a quiet zone.

Mike Whitten spoke concerning a quiet zone.

Reports

City Council Members' Reports

Carlene Carlock stated that her time on Council had been great, a challenge and stressful at times, but that she recommended it to everyone!

Teri Wilks gave a report from the Feral Cat Committee stating that there would be a survey in the June utility bills to get a better idea of where the problems with the feral cats are located in the City.

Kathy Collins reported that Bryan and Kent Milson had made an impressive presentation on ways the Johnson property could be used for parks.

Len Waska had nothing to report.

Jan Lahodny reported on some concerns that had been brought to her by citizens of Flatonia.

- Mayor's Activity Report Mayor Hairgrove reported that the employment contract with Chief Noak had been signed and he'd been sworn in. Hairgrove also reported that the contract with PC Guns for use of the downtown water tower had also been signed. Hairgrove further reported that the contract with Watershed Concepts had been signed and sent back. The contract on the sale of the Woodrow Johnson house was also signed. Hairgrove also reported that \$30,000 had been received from Union Pacific Railroad for the Mill Street crossing closure and this money was earmarked for the downtown sidewalk project. The Arsenic remediation project was still in process with a 30 day test.
- City Secretary Report City Secretary Brunner reported that when she started investigating what was involved in working towards having all of the 911 addresses posted, she discovered that it was covered under the Fire Code and Gregory Robinson would therefore have to be in charge of the project. She further reported that
- Police Chief's Report Police Chief Mike Noak reported on the activity for the month of April 2008.
- Planning and Zoning Report There was nothing separate from the agenda to report.
- Economic Development There was nothing to report on economic development.

Public Hearing: opened at 6:35 p.m.

PH5-2008.1 Public Hearing regarding the following:

Establishing a Public Use District (P) composed of areas owned by the city, school districts, churches, county, or state (such as City Hall, fire station, school buildings, storage sites, cemeteries) not including railroad right of ways.

Rezoning the following properties: 105 E South Main (Post Office), 125 E South Main (City Hall), 105 S. Market St. (includes Police Station, City Warehouse, open storage area) which are currently zoned as Open Space (OS). The consideration is for these properties to be rezoned as Public Use (P).

Rezoning the following properties: 10 E IH 10 Frontage Rd. (Fayette County Recycle Center) and 345 E IH 10 Frontage Rd. (wastewater treatment plant) which are currently zoned as Highway Commercial (HC). The consideration is for these properties to be rezoned as Public Use (P).

Rezoning the following properties: PID 25446 (former W Johnson property, excluding .4 acre home site at 1011 E.US Hwy 90); PID 51742 (Oak Hill Cemetery South); PID 49373 (Oak Hill Cemetery); PID 49653 (Rest Haven Cemetery); PID 49325 & 52796 (Sacred Heart Catholic Cemetery); PID 55499, PID 48776, PID 52546 & PID 27551 (Flatonia ISD); Addresses on S Faires: 502, 506 & 516 (Sacred Heart Catholic Church); 213 N Market St. (Fayette County EMS) and 216 N Market St.(Fayette County Pct. 3 Warehouse) which are currently zoned as Low Density Residential (R-1). The consideration is for these properties to be rezoned as Public Use (P).

Rezoning the following properties: 216 W North Main, (Fire Station) and 225 E Sixth St (Flatonia Baptist Church) which are currently zoned as Central Business District (CBD). The consideration is for these properties to be rezoned as Public Use (P).

Rezoning the following properties: 505 E Twelfth St. (St. Paul's AME Church) and 403 E North Main (Methodist Church) which are currently zoned as General Commercial (GC). The consideration is for these properties to be rezoned as Public Use (P).

Rezoning the following property: 715 Martin Luther King St. (New Union Baptist church) which is currently zoned as Medium Density Residential (R-2). The consideration is for these properties to be rezoned as Public Use (P).

Rezoning the following properties: 435 E Fourth St. (including PID 27955 & 49255), 702 E South Main, 203 S Hudson, 215 S Hudson & 217 S Hudson and PID 27913(entire block between Eighth St, Ninth St, Hudson St, Faires St) which are currently zoned Open Space (OS). The consideration is for these properties to be rezoned as Low Density Residential (R-1).

Rezoning the following properties: PID 28024 (entire block between First St, Second St, Colorado St., Tom Green St) and PID 28042 (northeast corner Faires St. & Ninth St) which are currently zoned Open Space (OS). The consideration is for these properties to be rezoned as High Density Residential (R-3).

Bryan Milson and Kathy Hairgrove gave a brief overview of the proposed changes.

Consent Agenda

Kathy Collins motioned to approve the consent agenda, including the minutes of the April 8, 2008 Regular Meeting, the April 9, 24 & 29, 2008 Special Meeting and the April 2008 Financial Report. Len Waska seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Executive Session opened at 6:47

ES5.1-2008.1 As authorized by Section 551.074, Texas Government Code, the council may enter into closed or executive session to discuss and act upon the following personnel matter:

City manager candidates

Deliberation Agenda – opened at 6:51

- 5-2008.1 Kathy Collins motioned to authorize Mayor Hairgrove to negotiate with KM Hubert under the guidelines given to him by the Council in executive session in order to hire her as city manager. Len Waska seconded. Jan Lahodny opposed. Motion carried.
- 5-2008.2 City Secretary Melissa Brunner swore in Council members Teri Wilks, Jeff Hairgrove and Len Waska.
- 5-2008.3 Jan Lahodny motioned to appoint someone from the community to serve as mayor. Motion died for lack of a second.

Kathy Collins motioned to appoint Jeff Hairgrove to serve as mayor until the next general election. Len Waska seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Teri Wilks motioned to appoint Mark Eversole to serve in the council position left vacant by Mayor Hairgrove's appointment. Kathy Collins seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

City Secretary Melissa Brunner swore in Jeff Hairgrove as Mayor and Mark Eversole as councilman.

- 5-2008.4 Jan Lahodny motioned to appoint Len Waska to serve as Mayor Pro Tem for the City of Flatonia. Teri Wilks seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 5-2008.5 Kathy Collins motioned to adopt the ordinance establishing a public use zoning classification and making the zoning changes as discussed above. Len Waska seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 5-2008.6 Kathy Collins motioned to approve the recommendation of Councilman Len Waska, Fire Chief Greg Robinson and former Fire Chief David Vire to

allocate the \$36,000 collected through the fire department donation item on utility bills towards the updating of protective gear and saving towards a new "brush truck" for the fire department. Teri Wilks seconded the motion. Jan Lahodny opposed. Motion carried.

5-2008.7 Jan Lahodny motioned to table action on a quiet zone until the community is more informed on this topic. Motion died for lack of a second.

Teri Wilks motioned to establish a quiet zone in the downtown central business district to include the crossings at S. Middle St., S. Market St., S. Penn St. and S. Faires (SH 95). Kathy Collins seconded the motion. Jan Lahodny opposed. Motion carried.

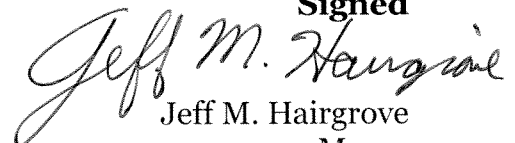
5-2008.8 Kathy Collins motioned to appoint Kirby Farek, Angeline Boehnke, Sheila Novak and Bryan Milson to serve a two year term on the Flatonia Planning and Zoning Commission. Len Waska seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

5-2008.9 Jan Lahodny motioned to appoint Kathy Mladenka to serve as the Flatonia Municipal Court Judge. Kathy Collins seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.


5-2008.10 Teri Wilks motioned to appoint Cathy Horn and James Longmire to serve on the Parks and Recreation Task Force. Kathy Collins seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:45 p.m.

Signed


Jeff M. Hairgrove
Mayor

Attest


Melissa Brunner, TRMC
City Secretary

Approved this 10th day of June 2008.

