

**Minutes
Flatonia City Council
Regular Meeting
December 9, 2003**

Present:

**Mayor
Councilpersons**

Lori Berger
Ken Freytag – Mayor Pro Tem
Carlene Carlock
Robert Bizzell
Steve Morrill

City Staff

Larry Branecky
Robert Wood – City Manager
Melissa Brunner – City Secretary
Leonard Cox – Police Chief
Gregory Robinson

Opening Agenda:

Call to Order

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

Citizen's Participation

Richard Owens spoke on behalf of Dan and Terry Bowling in reference to the delinquent utility account at CJ's Country Junction.

Reports

Mayor's Activity Report

Mayor Berger commended Cathy Wood and the City Crew for the work they did on the Christmas lights and decorations.

Council Member's Activity Report

Councilman Robert Bizzell spoke about some of the information that he received when attending the Texas Municipal League Conference in San Antonio.

Councilperson Carlene Carlock also spoke concerning the wealth of information she received at the conference.

Police Chief's Report

Police Chief Leonard Cox presented the activity report for the month of November 2003. Cox further reported that he had hired former reserve officer Troy Rudloff to fill the new full time position. He further reported that he had placed one of the applicants for that position in the newly empty reserve officer position. The new reserve officer is Joshua South. Councilperson Bizzell also reported that the annual Thanksgiving service that is shared

City Manager's Report

between the Flatonia churches had raised \$1000.00 for the ministerial alliance. City Manager Wood did not have anything separate from the agenda to report.

Planning and Zoning Report There was no report as the Committee did not meet this month.

Economic Development Report

There was nothing separate from the agenda to report.

Public Hearing

PH12-1. A Public Hearing was held on the request from Guillermo Netro for a variance to the building setback and lot width requirements contained in the City of Flatonia Zoning Ordinance. This request is concerning property he is considering purchasing at Hackberry and 9th (NW corner), BACA ADDN. (401), BLOCK 17, ACRES 0.1148, 50 X 100 = 5000 SFT NO BLDGS OR MH.

City Manager Wood and Code Enforcement Officer Gregory Robinson discussed the location and size of the lot and stated that this variance will be the only way this property, because of the way the lot was originally laid out, will be able to be used for any purpose other than purchase by one of the adjacent property owners. City Manager Wood also read the responses received from the property owners in the area.

There was no one else who wished to speak on this item.

Deliberation Agenda

- 12-1. Robert Bizzell motioned to approve the request for a variance by Guillermo Netro contingent on the sale of the property to Mr. Netro and that the parking will be set by Gregory Robinson, Code Enforcement Officer, and that no outbuildings would be located on the property. Ken Freytag seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-2. Steve Morrill motioned to adopt Ordinance #362, closing the alleyway in a portion of Block 53 of the City of Flatonia. Carlene Carlock seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-3. No action was taken on the delinquent utility account for CJ's Country Junction. City Manager Wood reported that there would be a hearing on the City's Motion to Dissolve the restraining order on Tuesday, December 16, 2003.
- 12-4. No action was taken on Ordinance #363 adopting the new Zoning Map.
- 12-5. Ken Freytag motioned to authorize City Manager Wood to go out for requests for proposal for the administration of the 2002-2003 Home Program. Robert Bizzell seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-6. No action was taken on economic development for the City of Flatonia.

- 12-7. Ken Freytag motioned to appoint Herminia Dale as the Flatonia Municipal Court Clerk. Steve Morrill seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 12-8. Carlene Carlock motioned to appoint City Manager Robert Wood as the City Representative to the Flatonia Volunteer Fire Department Pension Board. Steve Morrill seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

Signed

Lori Berger
Mayor

Attest

Melissa Brunner, TRMC
City Secretary

Approved this 13th day of January, 2004.