

**Minutes  
Flatonia City Council  
Regular Meeting  
January 14, 2003**

**Present:**

<b>Mayor</b>	Lori Berger
<b>Councilpersons</b>	Ken Freytag – Mayor Pro Tem Larry Branecky Carlene Carlock Steve Morrill (arrived at 6:15 p.m.)
<b>City Staff</b>	Robert Wood – City Manager Melissa Brunner – City Secretary Jack Pavlas – Utility Supervisor Leonard Cox – Police Chief Greg Robinson – Code Enforcement Officer

**Opening Agenda:**

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

Councilman Larry Branecky led the invocation. Mayor Berger led the Pledge of Allegiance.

<b>Citizen's Participation</b>	There were no citizens present who wished to participate.
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**Reports**

**Mayor's Activity Report**

Mayor Berger commended the city crew for the good job they did with getting the Christmas decorations up and down. Berger also reported that there had been another accident at the FM 609 and I10 frontage road. She stated that we will continue to encourage Texas Department of Transportation to do something more to avoid accidents at this intersection. Berger also commended the Flatonia Volunteer Fire Department on their work on the recent fire that resulted in a fatality. Berger also announced that the Association of Rural Communities in Texas (ARCIT) would be holding its Annual Meeting on February 18, 2003 and if anyone was interested in attending to let her or City Manager Wood know. Berger then gave the floor to Gordon Mackey, CPA to

present the audit for Fiscal Year April 1, 2002 – September 30, 2002.

**Council members' Activity Report**

Ken Freytag spoke concerning the funding seminar he attended about different sources of funding discussed there.

**Police Chief's Report**

Police Chief Leonard Cox reported on the activity for the police department for the month of December 2002.

**City Manager's Report**

City Manager Wood reported that Dean Stavinoha had resigned from the Planning and Zoning Commission. Wood stated that he would come up with a list of possible replacements for the council to consider.

**Planning and Zoning Commission**

Planning and Zoning report will be covered in the regular agenda items.

**Consent Agenda**

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December 2002 Financial Report.

Steve Morrill motioned to accept the consent agenda.  
Carlene Carlock seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

**Public Hearing opened at 6:23 p.m.**

- PH-1. City Manager Robert Wood reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends to the City Council that the property owned by Jeff Cernosek at 322 E. North Main be rezoned to R-1.
- PH-2. City Manager Robert Wood read the responses that the city had received from the nearby property owners concerning the conditional use permit for Bob Christen of Bob's Towing. Of the 10 responses, one was in favor and nine were against. City Manager Wood reported that the Planning and Zoning Commission recommends that this request for a conditional use permit be denied.

**Deliberation Agenda**

- 1-1. Len Waska, the new Vice President of the Flatonia Chamber of Commerce gave the report for the last quarter of 2002 on the hotel occupancy tax expenditures. Carlene Carlock moved to accept the quarterly report from the Flatonia Chamber of Commerce on expenditures of occupancy tax revenues. Steve Morrill seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

- 1-2. Ken Freytag moved to approve the request from Jeff Cernosek to rezone his property located at 322 E. North Main from Open Space to Residential 1. Larry Branecky seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 1-3. Carlene Carlock moved to deny the request for a conditional use permit for Bob Christen of Bob's Towing allowing him to operate a towing and licensed storage facility for wrecked or impounded vehicles on property he owns at Hudson and N. Main. Steve Morrill seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 1-4. Steve Morrill moved to adopt ordinance #351 amending the budget to allow for the purchase of a new bucket truck and add line item to account for revenue for antennas on the water tower. Carlene Carlock seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 1-5. Ken Freytag moved to accept David Vire as the Fire Chief for the Flatonia Volunteer Fire Department. Steve Morrill seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 1-6. Steve Morrill moved to authorize Mayor Berger to appoint Sharon Cosson, Veronica Nieto and Barbara Branecky to the Board of Commissioners of the Flatonia Housing Authority. Larry Branecky seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 1-7. Steve Morrill moved to adopt ordinance #352 amending the license requirements for manufactured homes. Larry Branecky seconded the motion. Carlene Carlock, Larry Branecky and Steve Morrill voted in favor. Ken Freytag voted against. Motion carried.

**The meeting was adjourned at 6:50 p.m.**

**Signed**

Lori Berger  
Mayor

**Attest**

Melissa Brunner  
City Secretary

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