

**Minutes
Flatonia City Council
Regular Meeting
March 8, 2005**

Present:

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| Mayor | Lori Berger |
| Mayor Pro Tem | Carlene Carlock |
| Councilpersons | Robert Bizzell Steve Morrill Len Waska |
| City Staff | Robert Wood – City Manager Melissa Brunner – City Secretary Jack Pavlas – Utility Director Leonard Cox – Police Chief |

Opening Agenda:

Call to Order Mayor Berger called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
Invocation & Pledge Mayor Pro Tem Carlock gave the invocation. Mayor Berger Led the Pledge of Allegiance.
Citizen's Participation There were no citizens present who wished to participate

Reports:

Mayor's Activity Report

Mayor Berger announced that today was City Manager Wood's birthday.

Council Members' Activity Report

Councilman Bizzell reported that he had attended the CAPCO Regional Workshop on Economic Development meeting held in San Marcos a few weeks ago. The consensus seemed to be that it was be more beneficial to have more regional type economic development. Len Waska reminded everyone that Market Days is to be held in the coming weekend.

Police Chief's Report

Chief Cox gave the Activity Report for February 2005. Cox further reported that the new police car was now in service.

City Manager's Report

City Manager Wood reported that he had sent two press releases to the *Flatonia Argus* this week, one on the hydro-pneumatic tank that was down for a few weeks and another advising that the Flatonia Police Department would be increasing the enforcement of state laws concerning safety

seats and seat belts, especially in regards to children. The Homeland Security Grant received by the Flatonia Volunteer Fire Department has been completely utilized. Wood further reported that he had been speaking to several other companies that offer internet services similar to the company that Council had already spoken to. There is a conference that Wood is going to try to attend that is relating to these internet services. Wood further reported that he is writing a letter to Representative Robby Cook asking him to fight a bill that is in process in the Texas Legislature that will not allow cities to provide internet service. The waterline work for which the bid was approved last month should begin in about 6 weeks. The playground that was supposed to be installed by now has been postponed because of the weather. It is now scheduled to be installed April 8 & 9. Wilma Faltisek sent in a schedule of some of the problems she has noticed with the cable company. The scoring for the Texas Department of Community Affairs Community Development Block Grant will be done on March 31st and we should hopefully know where the City falls in the scoring and the chances of being funded this year.

Planning and Zoning Commission Report

The item that was in the paper for the Planning and Zoning meeting was withdrawn from consideration by the person asking for a re-zone.

Economic Development

There was nothing to report.

Consent Agenda

Steve Morrill motioned to approve the consent agenda, including the Minutes from the February 8, 2005 Regular Meeting, February 2005 Financial Report and Resolution 2005-1. Carlene Carlock seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.

Deliberation Agenda

- 3-2005.1 No action was taken on the provision of wastewater service at Stockmen's Station and Stockmen's Travel Center.
- 3-2005.2 Steve Morrill motioned to accept the 2004 Racial Profiling Report showing no evidence of racial profiling as presented by Flatonia Police Chief Leonard Cox. Carlene Carlock seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2005.3 No action was taken on closing and abandoning a portion of the 4th Street right-of-way at the east end of E. School Rd.
- 3-2005.4 Carlene Carlock motioned to adopt Ordinance #377 closing and abandoning the portion of the Mill Street right-of-way from North Main to

- Hwy 90. Steve Morrill seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2005.5 Carlene Carlock motioned to adopt Ordinance #378 closing and abandoning the alley in Block 53 of the City of Flatonia. Steve Morrill seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2005.6 Steve Morrill motioned to reject the bid for property owned by the City of Flatonia, Flatonia ISD and Fayette County in Block K of the City of Flatonia. Len Waska seconded the motion. None opposed. Motion carried.
- 3-2005.7 No action was taken in the 2005 street project. Councilman Bizzell abstained from the discussion due to the fact that he owns property close to some of the proposed improvements.

Executive Session

At 7:15 p.m., the Flatonia City Council entered into Executive Session as authorized by Section 551.073 of the Texas Government Code to discuss and act upon the following prospective gift

- ES3-1. Deliberation regarding a prospective gift under Texas Government Code, Section 551.073.

At 7:20 p.m., the Flatonia City Council came out of the Executive Session.

Deliberation Agenda

- 3-2005.8 No action was taken on the prospective gift to the City of Flatonia.

The meeting was adjourned at 7:21 p.m.

Signed

Lori Berger
Mayor

Attest

Melissa Brunner, TRMC
City Secretary

Approved this 12th day of April, 2005.