

The Regular Council Meeting of May 27, 2014 was called to order at 6:30 p.m.

MAYOR

Ron Reinhard

OTHERS

Shannan Kinsley
Chief David Bejar
Chris Mikel
Susan Beavin
Brenda Reinhard
Travis Lorton
Joni Simon
Officer Danny Ramirez

COUNCILMEMBERS

Don Nettle
Jennifer Nottingham
Mitch Thornton
Lynn Tiner
Jeff Waldrop

Mayor Reinhard declared a quorum with all Councilmember's present.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The minutes of the March 25, 2014 Regular Council Meeting were reviewed. The motion to accept the March 25, 2014 minutes as written was made by Councilmember Nettle, seconded by Councilmember Waldrop and passed unanimously.

The minutes of the April 15, 2014 Workshop Meeting were reviewed. The motion to accept the April 15, 2014 minutes as written was made by Councilmember Tiner, seconded by Councilmember Nettle and passed with 3 YES and 2 ABSTAINING by Councilmember Thornton and Councilmember Waldrop as they were not present at the Workshop.

The minutes of the April 29, 2014 Workshop Meeting were reviewed. The motion to accept the April 29, 2014 minutes as written was made by Councilmember Nettle, seconded by Councilmember Tiner and passed with 3 YES and 2 ABSTAINING by Councilmember Thornton and Councilmember Waldrop as they were not present at the Workshop.

The minutes of the May 20, 2014 Special Council Meeting were reviewed. Mayor Reinhard stated he was not present at the Special Council Meeting. Councilmember Waldrop presided over the meeting as Mayor Pro Tem in his absence. The motion to accept the May 20, 2014 minutes as written was made by Councilmember Nettle, seconded by Councilmember Waldrop and passed with 3 YES and 2 ABSTAINING by Councilmember Thornton and Councilmember Tiner as they were not present at the Special Council Meeting.

PRESENTATIONS BY CITIZENS AND VISITORS

Mayor Reinhard read aloud a letter addressed to the Mayor and City Council that was received from Don and Ruth Zook. The letter discussed a recent three week vacation where the routine out of town forms for the Police Department were filled out. The letter states that is where the routine ends and the reason for this letter begins. Much too often these days things are taken for granted. The Police Chief and his officers always go above the routine as a practice of their everyday operations. You can't buy this type of professionalism, it comes from within. The Police Department is and has always been an integral part of this community. Don and Ruth Zook ask that it be conveyed to the Police Chief and his officers their appreciation for both their professional performance, but, even more importantly, their personal performance in Grey Forest.

MAYOR ANNOUNCEMENTS/FINANCIAL REPORTS

The monthly financials were reviewed. Mayor Reinhard stated we're about 65% through the year. We've received 98% of our income and at 44.9% in expenses. Fines, warrants and bonds are in excess of what was budgeted due to an increased amount of summons being issued. In addition, the Police Department is doing an excellent job on collecting on old warrants. Mayor Reinhard stated he didn't see anything causing alarm or needing adjustment.

COUNCIL/STAFF ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councilmember Nottingham stated the Madla Board met last Sunday. They are working on spending the rest of the grant money that was received from Texas Parks and Wildlife on budgeted items. If the money isn't spent, it will have

to be given back to the State. The City was given an extension last year until later this year to complete budgeted items. Councilmember Nottingham stated Susan Beavin is working on a Rental Agreement to put rules and fees in place.

POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT

Chief Bejar reviewed the March and April 2014 Monthly Activity Report. He stated there was an error in the Total Miles Driven for both months. March 2014 should be 4,496 and April 2014 should be 4,743. They are working on a theft case that will be filed with the District Attorney's Office. Chief Bejar introduced new Reserve Officer, Danny Ramirez. He's retired from San Antonio after 27 years of service. He retired as a detective and they plan to utilize him as an investigator. After retirement, he has been running an automotive shop. Mayor Reinhard and City Council welcomed Mr. Ramirez.

PUBLIC WORKS ANNOUNCEMENTS

Chris Mikel reviewed the March and April 2014 Monthly Activity Reports. Public Works continues to work on tree trimming activities, roadwork, citizen's brush chipping, animal control, mowing/weed eating and regular maintenance/upkeep of the City and Madla Park. Chris Mikel stated the Annual Junk Day went well. Jacob Bigham and his son helped loading into the dumpsters. The dumpsters filled up a lot quicker this year than last year but they were able to fit everything in and they have been hauled off. As soon as schools out, Jacob Bigham will work with Public Works over the summer again. The first thing they will start on is citizen's brush chipping. The Mayor and City Council stated the City looks great and thanked Chris Mikel for doing such a good job.

GFU UTILITY ANNOUNCEMENTS

Mayor Reinhard stated the utility is doing well. The GFU Annual Meeting is tomorrow. Mayor Reinhard stated he hopes the recent rain will help the well levels. Councilmember Nottingham asked what the procedure is when you see that someone is wasting water but may not necessarily be breaking the stage restrictions. Mayor Reinhard stated he will speak with Jeff English to see what their recommendation is.

FIRE DEPARTMENT REPORT

Travis Lorton reviewed the March and April 2014 Incident Response Reports. There were 2 calls in March, both EMS. There were 3 calls in April; 1 EMS, 1 Fire and 1 No Response. Travis Lorton stated outside of the normal calls, the Fire Department responded to the call at Rancho Diana where the man got stung by hundreds of bees. The City of San Antonio took care of the beehives but unfortunately the man didn't survive.

NEW BUSINESS:

1. DISCUSS AND ACT ON ORDINANCE NO. 207 REAUTHORIZING AND CONTINUING THE LOCAL SALES AND USE TAX AT THE RATE OF ONE-FOURTH OF ONE PERCENT TO CONTINUE PROVIDING REVENUE FOR MAINTENANCE AND REPAIR OF MUNICIPAL STREETS

Mayor Reinhard stated Ordinance No. 207 calls for an election and reauthorizes the continuance of the local sales and use tax for maintenance and repair of the municipal streets. The additional tax was voted on and approved by the voters at the May 10, 2014 Special Election. The measure was passed with 112 Votes in Favor Of and 16 Votes Against continuing the Local Sales and Use Tax. Mayor Reinhard stated the ordinance makes the election results official. The motion to approve Ordinance No. 207 Reauthorizing and Continuing the Local Sales and Use Tax at the Rate of One-Fourth of One Percent to Provide Revenue for Maintenance and Repair of Municipal Streets was made by Councilmember Waldrop, seconded by Councilmember Thornton and passed unanimously.

2. DISCUSS AND ACT ON AMENDMENT TO ORDINANCE NO. 159 SETTING A NEW SCHEDULE OF FEES FOR CITY SERVICES AND PERMITS

Mayor Reinhard stated Amendment to Ordinance No. 159 makes changes to the fees under Animal Control for the City picking up a loose animal running at large. The current ordinance has a tiered fee schedule depending on if it's your first or second offense. The new fee schedule changes the fee to \$50.00 per occurrence. This change puts us in line with the

recent changes to the Animal Ordinance that has already been passed. Additionally, the Amendment changes the cost for Notary Fee's to no charge for Grey Forest citizens. Lou Hoffman, a citizen brought up that the City of Helotes provides Notary services to citizens free of charge and he thought it would be a nice service the City could offer citizens. Mayor Reinhard stated this is an item we receive very little income from. The City could still provide the service to non-citizens at \$3.00 per document. Councilmember Nottingham stated in reviewing the Fee Schedule, she would like to look at Fence Permits when reviewing the Zoning Ordinance and determine if the Building Inspector should inspect fences upon completion. The motion to approve Amendment to Ordinance No. 159 was made by Councilmember Thornton, seconded by Councilmember Waldrop and passed unanimously.

3. DISCUSS DISTRIBUTION OF UNSOLICITED MATERIALS

Mayor Reinhard stated Councilmember Waldrop asked for this item to be placed on the Agenda. He stated the City has received a couple complaints about the Helotes Weekly being delivered. One citizen would like City Council to at least discuss. Mayor Reinhard stated he has also received feedback from citizens stating they like the information provided in the Helotes Weekly so there is a difference in opinion. He stated the complaint is not only that these deliveries all over driveways/streets makes the City look messy and brings down the value. In addition, the paper lying there for days could make it look like someone is not at the property. Councilmember Waldrop stated he has had some citizen's approach him regarding not only disliking the Helotes Weekly being delivered but they also referenced not liking the phone books that are delivered. Mayor Reinhard stated he was provided information from the San Antonio Express News where citizens can call with their address and opt out of delivery of the Helotes Weekly to their property. Councilmember Nottingham asked if the Helotes Weekly can be delivered to City Hall for those interested just like The Helotes Echo does. Councilmember Tiner stated if the City stops delivery of the materials, you will also have citizens upset that they are not receiving the information so he thinks the best option would be to have it delivered to City Hall. Then it would be available for citizens who are interested. Mayor Reinhard stated he will contact the San Antonio Express News regarding the Helotes Weekly and see if that is a request they will consider. Councilmember Nottingham stated if we receive a large amount of complaints, the City could put the number to opt out on the marquee.

OLD BUSINESS:

4. CONFIRM WORKSHOP DATE OF 06/02/2014 TO CONTINUE REVIEW OF ZONING ORDINANCE NO. 45B

Mayor Reinhard stated at the last Workshop Meeting, a tentative date was set for June 2nd to continue review of Zoning Ordinance No. 45B and he's looking to confirm the date and availability of Council. It was Council's consensus to have the next Workshop Meeting for review of Zoning Ordinance No. 45B on June 2, 2014 at 6:30 p.m. as they would all be available with the exception of Councilmember Thornton as he will be out of town on business.

There was no further discussion. Mayor Reinhard adjourned the Regular Council Meeting at 7:21 p.m.

These minutes were written/recorded by Shawwan Kinsley.

These minutes were approved as ~~written~~ amended on the 24th day of June, 2014.

Signed: _____

Ronald G. Reinhard, Mayor