

November 09, 2020

On this the 9th day of November, 2020 at 6:30 PM the City Council of the City of Friona, Texas, convened in regular session at the regular meeting place thereof, in the Friona City Council Chambers, 619 Main Street, the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting having been given as prescribed by Chapter 551 of the Government Code, with the members being present and in attendance, to wit:

Ricky White, Mayor
Bruce Fleming, Alderman
Greg Lewellen, Alderman
Brent Loflin, Alderman (absent)
Alan Monroe, Alderman
Jeff Stowers, Alderman
Leander Davila, City Manager

Others present included: Rosa Mendez, City Secretary
Adolfo Garcia, P.E. Brandt Engineers
Chief Isidro Jimenez, Friona Police

Mayor White called the meeting to order at 6:30 P.M.

ITEM 1 ROLL CALL

The Mayor called roll and announced that a quorum was present.

ITEM 2 INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Alderman Lewellen gave the invocation and Mayor White led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States Flag.

ITEM 3 HEAR PUBLIC COMMENTS.

No public present.

REGULAR HEARINGS: (Regular hearing opened at 6:32)

ITEM 4 CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF THE OCTOBER 13, 2020 REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

MOTION Alderman Fleming made the motion to approve the minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting October 13, 2020 with a amendment to state that no action was taken in Executive Session. Alderman Lewellen made the second to the motion and the motion passed with a 4/0 vote.

ITEM 5 CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF AGRICULTURAL LEASE WITH REST & RELAX FARMS, INC (MICHAEL RUSHING) APPROXIMATELY 57.10 ACRES TRACT OF LAND FOR 2021-2022 CROP YEARS (\$12.00/ACRE)

Council members agreed to increase the lease from \$12.00 an acre to \$16.00 an acre.

MOTION The motion was made by Alderman Lewellen on the renewal of Agricultural Lease with Rest & Relax Farms, INC (Michael Rushing). The second to the motion was made by Alderman Stowers. The motion was passed by a unanimous vote of 4/0.

ITEM 6 CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON RENEWAL OF AGRICULTURAL LEASE WITH R & J FARMS (REX WELLS) APPROXIMATELY 72.253 ACRES TRACT OF LAND FOR 2021-2022 CROP YEARS (\$18.10/ACRE)

Council members agreed to increase the lease from \$18.10 an acre to \$22.10 an acre.

MOTION The motion was made by Alderman Monroe on renewal of Agricultural Lease with R & J (Rex Wells). Alderman Stowers made the second to the motion and the motion carried with a vote of 4/0.

ITEM 7 CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR AN AGRICULTURAL LEASE OF A TRACT OF LAND APPROXIMATELY 320 ACRES (\$5.50/ACRE) FORMERLY MANAGED BY PAMELA HAMILTON

On April 21, 2018 Raymond Hamilton passed away and the lease was transferred to Pamela Hamilton on October 9, 2018. Pamela has stated that she is no longer interested in managing the lease after December 31, 2020.

MOTION A motion was made by Alderman Lewellen authorizing the city manager to solicit bids for an Agricultural Lease of a tract of land approximately 320 acres (\$5.50/acre) formerly managed by Pamela Hamilton. The second to the motion was made by Alderman Monroe and the motion passed with a vote of 4/0.

ITEM 8 CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY MANAGER TO SOLICIT BIDS FOR AN AGRICULTURAL LEASE OF TRACT 1: 139.57 ACRES AND TRACT 2: 144.16 ACRES (\$7.05/ACRE) FORMERLY MANAGED BY JEDON GALLMAN

On March 13, 2020 Jedon Gallman passed away and the property began being managed by the City of Friona with the assistance of Jedon's brother Robert Gallman and Robert's son Dion Gallman.

MOTION Alderman Monroe made the motion authorizing the City Manager to solicit bids for an agricultural lease of Tract 1:39.57 acres and Tract 2: 2144.16 acres (\$7.05/ acres). The second to the motion was made by Alderman Stowers and the motion passed with a unanimous vote of 5/0.

ITEM 9 CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PURCHASE A POLICE VEHICLE FROM DEFENDER SUPPLY AND RADIO AND LAPTOP EQUIPMENT IN AN AMOUNT NOT TO EXCEED \$50,000 FROM THE CERTIFICATE OF OBLIGATIONS BANK ACCOUNT

MOTION The motion was made by Alderman Lewellen to approve the purchase of a police vehicle from Defender Supply and radio and laptop equipment in an amount not to exceed \$50,000 from the Certificate of Obligations bank account. The second to the motion was made by Alderman Stowers and the motion was approved by a unanimous vote of 4/0.

ITEM 10 BRIEFING AND DISCUSSION REGARDING 2021 SEALCOAT PROJECT AND/OR 2021 STREET BUILD PROJECT

Item 10 will be brought back on the December agenda.

ITEM 11 CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS PAYABLE FOR OCTOBER 2020

City Secretary reviewed Accounts Payable with the City Council.

MOTION Alderman made the motion to approve the October 2020 Accounts Payable. The second to the motion was made by Alderman and the motion carried with a vote of 4/0.

ITEM 12 CONSIDER AND TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF THE FINANCIAL STATEMENT FOR OCTOBER 2020

MOTION A motion was made by Alderman Monroe with a second by Alderman Fleming to approve the Financial Statement for October 2020. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.

ITEM 13 ADJOURNMENT

With no further business at hand the meeting was adjourned at 7:29 PM.

APPROVED:

Ricky White, Mayor

ATTEST:

Rosa Mendez, City Secretary