

The City of Balcones Heights
Regular City Council Meeting
3300 Hillcrest Drive
Balcones Heights, Texas 78201

MINUTES

DATE: February 12, 2007

TIME: 6:00 p.m.

Members Present: Jim Craven Bennie Cass Suzanne de Leon
 Steve Walker (6:02) Lamar Gillian Bill Johnson

Members Absent: none

Staff Present: Frank Garza Delia Flores Bill Stannard
 Ben Hoeffner

Others Present: Mike Gomez Roger Lawhead Beryl Jones
 Charles Matthies Miguel C. Valverde Dean Nelson
 Otto Moellering

CALL TO ORDER AND RECORDING OF QUORUM

Quorum present.

**INVOCATION AND PLEDGES OF ALLEGIANCE TO THE U. S. A. AND TEXAS
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Councilwoman Suzanne de Leon gave the invocation and led pledges.

PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

There were no citizens signed up to be heard.

1. PRESENTATIONS and REPORTS:

- a. Presentation of plaque by Mayor Craven on Richard Wall's retirement after 25 years of service in the Fire Department.

Richard Wall was not present to receive plaque.

- b. Convention & Visitors Bureau Report, including Norris Conference Centers updates. (Nastasi)

Director of Tourism, Lorenzo Nastasi, gave a brief explanation of the report that was previously passed out.

2. CONSENT AGENDA ITEMS:

Police Chief, Bill Stannard, requested to purchase 12 tazers, one for each officer. Amount of purchase \$11,709.95 from the forfeiture fund.

MOTION: I make a motion we approve.

Motion by: Steve Walker Second: Bennie Cass 5/0/0 PASSED

Item 7 was addressed before Item 3.

7. Consideration and **ACTION** regarding Gentleman Rd. reconstruction project bids. (Mayor)

Roger Lawhead from Slay Engineering passed out some handouts and went over the different options as a result of the bids received.

MOTION: Mayor I'd like to make a motion that we approve option 2 for the reconstruction of the road on Gentleman Road. (Advised by City Attorney for direction to negotiate 120 days down).

Motion by: Lamar Gillian Second: Suzanne de Leon 5/0/0 PASSED

8. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt an ordinance to amend the Fire Department Policies and Procedures. (Hoeffner)

Fire Chief, Ben Hoeffner, came up to address this issue.

MOTION: Move to approve.

Motion by: Steve Walker Second: Suzanne de Leon 5/0/0 PASSED

9. Consideration and **ACTION** to adopt a resolution requesting San Antonio to assume police authority for I.H. 10 and authorize Mayor to negotiate same. (Garza)

City Attorney, Frank Garza, suggested placing this item on the agenda for the next meeting to review agreement.

NO ACTION.

10. Consideration and **ACTION** on discussion to enter into an agreement with RCI for asset management software and services.

Mayor advised council that in order to keep up with asset management a purchase could be made from RCI in the amount of \$380.00 for software and an update of assets we presently have.

MOTION: Make a motion to approve.

Motion by: Steve Walker Second: Lamar Gillian 5/0/0 PASSED

11. Consideration and **ACTION** on discussion regarding the Emergency Medical Services contract. (Gillian)

Councilman Lamar Gillian reported to council the concerns of the EMS committee regarding our present contract for EMS services.

MOTION: I make a motion we approve the first one (Advertising: Invitation for Bids).

Motion by: Steve Walker Second: Bill Johnson 5/0/0 PASSED

MOTION: I'll make that motion. (Direction to commence negotiations and not wait until April.)

Motion by: Bill Johnson Second: Steve Walker 5/0/0 PASSED

12. Consideration and **ACTION** on discussion regarding the current contract for the firehouse roof.

Mayor Jim Craven stated he wanted to wait at least until June 2007 to wait for Community Development Block Grant funds to be approved before the roof was repaired.

MOTION: I make a motion that we postponed this until we get approval from the grant.

Motion by: Bill Johnson Second: Suzanne de Leon 5/0/0 PASSED

WORKSHOP:

DISCUSSION ITEMS:

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

ADJOURNMENT:

Meeting adjourned at 7:10 p.m.

City of Balcones Heights, Texas

By: _____
DELIA FLORES – City Secretary, TRMC

Approved by City Council on March 12, 2007.