



Mayor Steve Eitelman
Alderman Charlie Hunt
Alderman Frankie Dunagan

Mayor Pro-Temp Dan Herrington
Alderman Brandon Sheffield
Alderman Mike Bailey

The City of Hallsville Council meeting convened in regular session at 6 P.M. on Tuesday, April 18, 2017, at City Hall located at 115 Main Street.

The following members were present:

Mayor Steve Eitelman
Alderman Charlie Hunt

Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington
Alderman Mike Bailey

The following members were absent:

Alderman Brandon Sheffield

Alderman Frankie Dunagan

City of Hallsville Staff Present:

City Secretary Kim Smith

Chief Wesley Freeman

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Steve Eitelman.

II. Invocation

The Invocation was led by Alderman Charlie Hunt.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Alderman Mike Bailey.

IV. Public Comments

V. Consent Agenda

Mayor Steve Eitelman asked to approve the Consent Agenda Items including the Police Department Summary for March 2017, the Water Department Summary for March 2017, the Permit Report for March 2017, the Monthly Financials for March 2017, and the Minutes for March 21, 2017 meeting, and Street Repairs Report.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington seconded by Alderman Charlie Hunt to approve the Consent Agenda. The motion was carried unanimously.

VI. Discussion Items

1. Discuss with Ray Boyd regarding street parking issues.

Mr. Ray Boyd lives on Shawnee Trail explained to the City Council the issues going on in his neighborhood. There are vehicles parked in front yards, loading trucks in yards, camping trailers parked in cul-da-sacks. Mr. Boyd brought in a copy of the Declaration of Confidence and Restrictions that was set up for his neighborhood. Mr. Boyd asked if there was anything that the City can do to enforce this declaration or if the City adopts certain ordinances pertaining to this. Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington asked if there are deed restrictions and if the HOA has been dissolved. Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington stated that the only thing the City can do is through ordinances. Mr. Boyd can try to take to Civil Court regarding the Declaration. Mayor Steve Eitelman stated that a copy of the Declaration of Confidence and Restrictions will be emailed to all City Council Members for them to look at and suggest ordinances to pursue with.

2. Discuss the Emergency Notification Procedures.

Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington discussed with the Council what are the procedures for the any severe weather. He asked why a notification wasn't sent out on the City's Mobile App regarding severe weather. Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington feels that procedures need to be put in place and reviewed in the event of an emergency. A copy of those procedures should also be shared with the Fire Department. Mayor Steve Eitelman stated that the sirens are turned on by either the Police Department or himself. The warnings come out of Harrison County dispatch and that is how the Police Department knows when to throw the switch. Hallsville Fire Department also receives the warnings. Mayor Steve Eitelman stated there is an Emergency Management Plan Book in place that can be looked over. Chief Wesley Freeman stated that Harrison County dispatch stated the City of Hallsville was under a warning and the switch was flipped.

Mayor Steve Eitelman explained about the notifications on the Mobile Phone App. The City has been in touch with the programmer and they are trying to figure out how notifications can be pushed out with someone doing it. The problem lies with iPhone and Android don't like 3rd party companies involved on push notifications. The City has downloaded the local channels along with the National Weather Service. Anyone who has the app downloaded can go to those links and receive updated weather information. This is still a work in progress. Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington asked that the City have some kind of direction regarding both the sirens and the Mobile City App.

VII. Items to Be Considered

1. Consider and act upon approving moving forward and putting together a Comprehensive Plan for the City of Hallsville.

Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington asked the council to put together an infrastructure of where the City of Hallsville needs to be with new growth. Kyle Stephens, Hayes Engineering, would be a good start regarding the water lines, sewer lines, and roads. Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington also stated to get a committee of citizens together along with the Planning & Zoning Commission and come up with a plan.

Mayor Steve Eitelman stated instead of spending a bunch of money on a Plan that may just sit on the shelf and never be used; just work on water, sewer, roads, annexation, and structure and have what the City needs and not just what people think we need. Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington stated that a joint meeting should be between Hayes Engineering, Parks Advisory Board, Planning & Zoning Commission.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington, seconded by Alderman Charlie Hunt to move forward on those four action items with the creation of a Comprehensive Plan. The motion was carried unanimously.

2. Consider and act upon approving setting up a Town Public Meeting regarding hiring a City Manager.

Mayor Steve Eitelman stated that a Town Hall Meeting has been setup for May 23rd at 6:30 pm tentatively at City Hall. Alderman Charlie Hunt stated that in the newsletter it was stated for City Hall, but maybe we should move it to the school for more room. Alderman Mike Bailey stated this will generate a lot of people.

Motion was made by Alderman Charlie Hunt, seconded by Alderman Mike Bailey to hold a Town Hall Meeting on May 23rd at 6:30 pm. The motion was carried unanimously.

3. Consider and act upon approving Resolution 2017-06 denying SWEPCO's rate increase.

Motion was made by Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington, seconded by Alderman Charlie Hunt to approve Resolution 2017-06 denying a rate increase from SWEPCO. The motion was carried unanimously.

4. Consider and act upon approving an Interlocal Agreement with Harrison County regarding Cal Young Road.

Mayor Steve Eitelman introduced Commissioner Phillip Mauldin and County Judge Hugh Taylor. Mayor Steve Eitelman went over the estimate of costs and explained to the Council what the interlocal agreement stated. Judge Hugh Taylor stated that the numbers were good firm numbers, and he explained exactly what they will be doing on Cal Young. Judge Hugh Taylor also stated that the County has resubmitted a grant for the project; if the county is approved they will split the money back to the City. Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington asked when the work will be done. Mayor Steve Eitelman stated they will start as soon as school is out for the summer.

Motion was made Alderman Charlie Hunt, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Dan Herrington to approve the Interlocal Agreement with Harrison County. The motion was carried unanimously.

VIII. Executive Session


Executive Session may be called for the purposes permitted by the Texas Open Meeting Act, Texas Government Code Section 551.001 through Section 551.071, Consultation with Attorney, Section 551.074, Personnel Matters (Appointment, Employment, Evaluation, Reassignment, Duties, Discipline, Dismissal, Complaint). Action if any will be taken in open meeting.

IX. Adjournment

The Council meeting adjourned at 6:36 pm.

City of Hallsville

Signed:



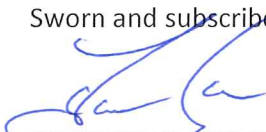
Mayor Steve Eitelman

Attest:



Kimberly Smith, City Secretary

Sworn and subscribed by before me on the 16th day of May 2017.



Faron Cain
Notary Public, State of Texas

