



Mayor Jesse Casey
Alderman Charlie Hunt
Alderman Brant Cain

Mayor Pro-Temp Gary Lovelace
Alderman Guy Walker
Alderwoman Lauren Bresch

The City of Hallsville Council meeting convened in regular session at 6:00 P.M. on Tuesday, March 15, 2022, at City Hall located at 115 West Main Street.

The following members were present:

Mayor Jesse Casey
Alderman Brant Cain
Alderman Charlie Hunt

Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace
Alderman Guy Walker

Alderwoman Lauren Bresch was absent from the meeting.

City of Hallsville Staff Present:

City Secretary Laura Welch
Chief of Police Wesley Freeman

City Administrator Marty Byers

Other Attendees:

Courtney Cain, James Hayes, James and Carol Greer, Emily Fyffe, Gregg Greer, Tommy Slater, Charlie Jones and Wray Boyd were present.

I. Call to Order

The meeting was called to order at 6:00 P.M. by Mayor Jesse Casey.

II. Invocation

The Invocation was led by Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace.

III. Pledge of Allegiance

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Jesse Casey.

Public Comments - Mr. Wray Boyd passed out a flyer regarding recycling places in Longview.

IV. Consent Agenda – February 2022

Mayor Jesse Casey asked to approve the Consent Agenda Items including City Administrator’s Report, Police Department Summary for February 2022, the Water Department Summary for February 2022, the Permit Report for February 2022, and the Monthly Financials for February 2022.

City Administrator Marty Byers briefly discussed each item on his report updating the City Council on each project.

Motion was made by Alderman Brant Cain, seconded by Alderman Charlie Hunt, to approve the February 2022 Consent Agenda as presented. The motion carried unanimously.

V. Discussion Items

1. Discussion with First Baptist Church of Hallsville regarding a property exchange. (Church Street from FM 450 to the church’s western property lines in exchange for the parking lot on the SW corner of Pine Street and FM 450.)

Gregg Greer spoke on behalf of the committee with First Baptist Church of Hallsville stating the firm the church had hired to provide the church with growth opportunities and options for the next 5–15 years had inquired about the City streets. Mr. Greer stated the committee has not been provided a proposed plan from the firm. The City Council stated at this time there would be no trade and did not feel giving up the City street would be a wise decision. The City Council did agree to look at plans when available.

VI. Items to Be Considered

1. Discuss, consider and possible action to approve Fireworks Ordinance 2022-01.

After the City Council discussed the ordinance, consensus was made to adopt an ordinance that would coincide with what the Harrison County Commissioner’s Court had established. A motion was made by Alderman Charlie Hunt, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace, to table the approval of the Firework Ordinance until corrections were made.

2. Discuss, consider and possible action on approving a Mobile Food Unit Ordinance 2022-02.

After a discussion was held, a motion was made by Alderman Guy Walker, seconded by Alderman Brant Cain, to approve Ordinance 2022-02 pertaining to the use of a Mobile Food Unit within the City limits. The motion carried unanimously.

3. Discuss and possible action regarding approval of a Solicitation Permit Ordinance 2022-03.

After a brief discussion, a motion was made by Alderman Brant Cain, seconded by Alderman Guy Walker, to approve Ordinance 2022-03 pertaining to the requirements of a Solicitation Permit within the City limits. The motion carried unanimously.

VII. Executive Session

Executive Session items are discussed in closed session but any and all action is taken in regular open session. Executive Session is not open to the public because there is a compelling need of confidentiality. Executive Session may be called at any time during the meeting and the Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session on any of the posted agenda items 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), and/or Section 551.072, Real Estate Transactions.

1. a) Section 551.072 Real Estate: Deliberation regarding real property – to deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease or value of real property.

VIII. Adjourn Executive Session

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace, seconded by Alderman Charlie Hunt to adjourn Executive Session.

IX. Convene Regular Meeting – (In accordance with Texas Government Code, Subchapter D)

Motion was made by Alderman Guy Walker, seconded by Alderman Brant Cain, to reconvene regular City Council meeting.

- (VII) 1. b) Action resulting from Executive Session Item 1 a): Real Estate

Motion was made by Mayor Pro-Tem Gary Lovelace, seconded by Alderman Brant Cain, to authorize the Mayor and City Administrator to gather cost estimates and enter into negotiations for the purpose of leasing land for public use. And, that this matter be brought back before this Council for final approval.

XI. Adjournment

The Council meeting adjourned at 6:51 P.M.

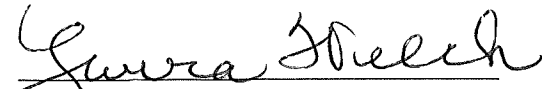
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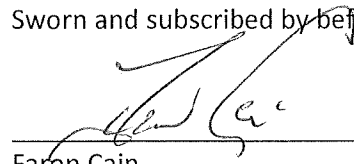


Mayor Jesse Casey

Attest:


City Secretary

Sworn and subscribed by before me on the 19th day of April, 2022.


Faron Cain
Notary Public, State of Texas

