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MINUTES – COUNCIL MEETING – MONDAY, MAY 17, 2021 – 6:00 P.M.
LOCATION: ALAMO COMMUNITY CENTER

IN ATTENDANCE: Mayor Pamela Lee, Bobby Cox, Dondrea Geter, Steve Jones, Harry Lewis, Patricia Woodard, and Thomas Lott via Zoom.

Called to order by Mayor Lee at 6:02 pm.

- 1. Invocation** – Jeffrey Floyd
- 2. Pledge of Allegiance**
- 3. Approve Minutes from April 19, 201 Regular meeting** – Cox made the motion to approve the minutes, **Woodard 2nd**, unanimously approved.
- 4. Approve Agenda** – Cox made the motion to approve with addition, **Lewis's 2nd**, unanimously approved.
- 5. Dr. Sinclair Grey** the new pastor of Mayfield Zion wanted to introduce himself and his wife. He stated that he wants to be a lucrative part of the community and want to work with the city on outreach programs. He and his church are planning a free food giveaway on July 1, 2021 for the local citizens.

OLD BUSINESS

- 6. City Hall Strategic Planning Committee** – Geter presented group with the committee's final report. He reported that the committee which consist of Ms. Brown, Mr. Simmons, Mr. Ricks, City Manager Floyd, Council Member Woodard and Geter agreed in obtaining a New City Hall "ASAP." Mr. Simmons spoke on now being the time to get this project going. Ms. Brown stated that she was not for a new City Hall originally but feel we are in desperate need to make sure the city workers are safe and can work in modern conditions. Mr. Ricks spoke on how the city need to make changes for future generation. **It was motioned by Ms. Woodard that we charge the City Manager with looking into options from an Engineer and/or Architect to explore the options of building a new city hall. The motion was second by Mr. Lewis.** Mr. Cox expressed the desire to have some of the work of demolition done by the city workers to cut cost. The motion passed with a unanimous vote.
- 7. Garbage Truck Bid** – Floyd opens the one bid received for the Garbage truck. It was submitted by JB Floyd in the amount of \$1010.00. **Jones made the motion to accept the bid, Lewis's 2nd, unanimously approved.**
- 8. Mayor/Council Member Salary Ordinance:** City Attorney Clark stated that the wording that was advertised previously was worded wrong. It appeared as if the vote had been final. He stated that we need to rerun the ad for three consecutive weeks stating that the public has

a right to attend that meeting to express their desires about a raise for the Mayor and Council Members that will take place in January of 2022. Mayor Lee had concerns as to why was the wording not detailed before considering everyone got the email and had the opportunity to make sure the wording was correct the first time. Mr. Clark stated he will reword the new ad that will run for three weeks.

9. **Zoning Administrator & Commission:** Mr. Clark stated that due to the new zoning ordinance an Administrator and Commission of five citizens should be in place. The Commissioners should be volunteer and appointed by the City Council. The Administrator should be the City Manager based on his knowledge and implementation of the Code Enforcement measures that have been taken. It was motion by Woodard and Geter 2nd to have Mr. Clark develop and ad to ask for volunteers for this committee then have the Council pick from that list.

NEW BUSINESS

10. **Cemetery** – Floyd made a presentation to the group about the addition 810 feet of paving needed for the cemetery that was not done originally. The cost is \$15,000.00. The cemetery committee has agreed to pay for half. The city's portion can come out of TSplost. **Cox motion to approve this proposal and Jones 2nd. Unanimously approved.**
11. **Path to Dilapidated houses:** Cox motioned to allow the City Workers to make a path to those houses for easy access for trucks to pick up debris, Lewis 2nd. **It was unanimously approved.**
12. **City Manager Report** – report is attached. Also, Floyd discussed cutting the grass around the dilapidated houses for owner access to tear down. Bobby made the motion to use the city tractor and bush hog to cut access, Lewis 2nd, **unanimously approved.**
13. **Police Report** – Report attached for the month of April.

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

- **James Lee** – Ask about the reopening of the Old Rec. Dept. and asked if they knew about the grass growing through the basketball court? Jeff responded that he has left a message with CBA, but he is planning on taking care of it. – Lee also asked Jeff if he believed the city employees will be able to tear down the old Pharmacy? Jeff responded that he does not see a problem. Also, Lee asked if there were funds there for a new city hall? Floyd responded that there are several options to get the new city hall built.
- **Joshua Simmons** – asked about a trash can for Railroad St so he can pick up trash as he goes. Floyd stated that he will take care of it.
- **Sandra Brown** – stated that her and some of the other citizens have concerns about having a sports bar and believes issues could arise. Lott stated that he was just trying to bring business to town.

EXECUTIVE SESSION (employee matters, litigations & real estate) – went into executive session 7:24 pm with Lewis making the motion, Geter 2nd, unanimously approved. Woodard would take minutes from Executive session.

Following executive session, the following was no votes:

Meeting adjourned at 8:02 PM with Geter making the motion, Woodard 2nd, unanimously approved.

Submitted By:

Marie Carrillo

Marie Carrillo, City Clerk

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