

**MINUTES OF THE REGULAR
MEETING OF THE BOARD OF ALDERMEN
TOWN OF BAYVIEW, TEXAS**

**Held at
102 S. San Roman, Bayview, Texas**

July 17, 2014

Regular Meeting

1. The regular meeting of the Board of Alderman was called to order at 6:30 p.m. Those present were Mayor Rodino, Aldermen Lowder, Hooton, Stachowiak and Deason, as well as acting Town Secretary Konnie Hooton. Alderman Mullendore was not present.
2. Mayor Rodino led those present in the pledge of allegiance
3. Mayor Rodino welcomed those present and stated that public comments would be given after Mr. Frank Espinoza, AEP Texas Manager of Community Affairs, gave a presentation. Mr. Espinoza presented a check in the amount of \$1500 to help defray the Town's costs of the new building project. He also thanked the community for the continued support.
4. Public comments.

Jim MacKara from Madison Grove spoke to the fact that Madison Grove was still suffering from the church continuing to meet in the community center, the parking lot is full, in the paper and on the internet they are a church. His concern is can we enforce the law, and that they are in violation.

Rueben Trevino of Madison Grove expressed concern about the repairs to the roof on the sports center, stating he felt they needed a building permit. He is concerned that if a storm comes through, the material used to repair the roof will fly off and hit someone's home.

Action Items

Executive Session

The Board of Alderman did not go into Executive Session as authorized by Subchapter D of the Open Meetings Act

Old Business

There was no old business carried forward

New Business

5. Discussion and approval or rejection of amending Bayview Zoning Ordinances for Commercial "C" District, providing for churches and schools to be located in the Commercial District. Mayor Rodino explained the wording in the proposed Ordinance change. Since this will be a change in the Zoning Ordinance, there will need to be a public hearing. There was some discussion among the Board members about the wording of the proposed Ordinance change.
6. Discussion and possible action on matters related to Cornerstone Church activities. Mayor Rodino stated that the church was operating on a regular basis as a church at the Community Center despite the fact that the town ruled this was in clear violation of the ordinance. The Town also received a letter from the church's attorney stating that the Board's decision substantially burdened the church's rights and they suggested that the Town change the ordinance.
7. Discussion, progress and possible action relating to the construction of the new Town office.
 - a. Septic system installation – the Town has 2 bids for the septic:
Super G - \$4,670
BJ's Septic - \$8,109

Alderman Lowder stated he may know of someone else to get a bid from and will let the Board know by the weekend.

It was also mentioned that there would be a delay in getting the building delivered on site. The building will not be delivered until the week of August 4 or August 11. Mayor Rodino stated he would contact Lea Peacock of the Girl Scouts to see if we could get a lease extension to the end of September

- b. Electrical service – only one electrical contractor has responded to our request for bids, that was Goode Electric. Alderman Deason was going to contact Reliable Electric and ask them to bid on the job.
- c. Water – Construction to begin possibly next week on the water line. Our billing with ERHWSC will begin as soon as the water meter is installed.
- d. Building – Delivery date delayed until week of August 4 or August 11
- e. Clearing and grading – grading will be finished after all the construction work is completed.
- f. Building inspector fees – inspector fees will be paid to our building inspector.

g. Windstorm insurance – the quote from Victor Schinnerer will be either \$249 or \$322 depending on the option chosen.

There was some discussion concerning the septic bid from Super G. If no lower bid comes in, then Mayor Rodino asked if the opinion was to accept the bid from Super G and get them contracted to do the work.

A motion was made by Alderman Deason and seconded by Alderman Lowder to accept item g the windstorm insurance quote. All voted in favor, motion carried.

8. Approval of the consent agenda:

- a. Minutes of Town Meetings of June 19 and June 28
- b. Financial reports for the month of June 2014
- c. Building Inspector fees payable in the amount of \$55.00
- d. Payment of current billing from Rentfro in the amount of \$1,268.01
- e. GSGST monthly billing for April and May in the amount of \$127.35

Mayor Rodino asked if there was any discussion. Alderman Deason questioned the Ad Valorem Bank statement, Konnie Hooton informed him we did not get them in the mail so she printed from the web site. Alderman Deason also questioned the Girl Scout billing from May, stating the water bill was higher than the electrical. Konnie Hooton informed him that our water bill was always the same that we paid the flat rate amount. As to the low electric bill in May, the weather was cool and the air conditioning most likely was not run.

Mayor Rodino asked for a motion to approve the consent agenda. Alderman Hooton so moved, Alderman Lowder seconded, all voted in favor, motion carried.

Discussion Items

9. Mayor Rodino explained the long process of reorganizing and streamlining the ordinances. Alderman Hooton has done a great deal of work putting together a package which contains all of the ordinances, both stand-alone and zoning, that could be easily updated and easily readable on the web-site. Mayor Rodino would like to have a work shop to go over the content and new format of the code booklet on August 7, and get this finalized by September. Mayor Rodino stated that he would like for Clifford Rowell to take a look at the booklet and that he would get a copy to Alderman Mullendore, who was not present at the meeting.
10. Mayor Rodino reported on the recent road inspection by LNV Engineering. Alderman Deason was with Eugene Palacios during the inspection. There were several areas where the pavement has failed, the oil has leaked through, and the road is generally deteriorating. These failures were documented the day of the inspection. The report from LNV, as well as the pictures, were sent to FJW and our attorney.

11. Mayor Rodino stated that the Town was still planning on installing speed humps on N. San Roman, but that everything was on hold at this time until the Town office project was completed.
12. Citizen Complaints:
 - a. speeding on N. San Roman continues to be a concern
13. Reports:
 - a. Building & Standards – no report
 - b. Emergency Management – no report
 - c. Citizen Corps – no report
 - d. Cameron County Coastal Task Force – no report
 - e. Regional Small Cities Coalition – nothing to report

Adjourn

The regular meeting of the Board of Alderman was adjourned at 7:30 p.m. with a motion from Alderman Deason and a second from Alderman Lowder. All voted in favor, motion carried. Meeting adjourned.

Tom Rodino, Mayor

Susan Heinz, Town Secretary