

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
November 3, 2009**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on November 3, 2009 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance:

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Glenn Loch
Council Members Charles Draper, Jim Goldsworthy, Carolyn Hendricks, Ray Nichols, Vince Rippy, Beverly Snuggs

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Kay Lunnon, City Secretary; Belvin Harris, City Attorney; Steven Fleming, Police Chief; Dan Parker, Finance Director; David Vinton, Airport Director; Kent Sharp, GEDC Executive Director

OTHERS PRESENT: Rod Tyler, Dee Blanton, Kit Chase

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Loch called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m. with a quorum of members present.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Reverend Hollis Parsons, Tabernacle Baptist Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Loch led the pledge to the flag.

REPORTS

Airport Director, David Vinton, reported on several projects taking place at the Gainesville Municipal Airport. A four-phase phase project of runway improvements, funded through a TXDOT Aviation Division/FAA grant, began this week that includes replacement of runway lighting; repair and strengthening of the asphalt in the northern runway section to accommodate the larger, heavier planes using the airport; construction of a storm water drainage detention pond along Highway 82; and rejuvenation of runway surfaces with asphalt slurry to extend the life of the runway. Vinton said the City recently acquired two large hangars, and plans to increase their marketability for tenants by adding asphalt access to the taxiway and installing an electric gate for secured access. Funds from the TXDOT/AV Routine Airport Maintenance Program (RAMP) will be utilized for installation of water and sewer lines on the south end of the airport to bring them up to the hangar area. Vinton said these projects make the best use of the dollars available and should keep the airport viable for years to come. Mayor Loch noted that Council received a letter from Western States Flying Aces Squadrons (WESTFAC) commending city staff, David Vinton, Patrick McCage, and John Broyles of the Chamber of Commerce, for their outstanding service before, during and after the recent WESTFAC regional Model Airplane competition in Gainesville.

CONSENT AGENDA

MINUTES OF OCTOBER 20, 2009

Council reviewed the Minutes of the Regular City Council Meeting of October 20, 2009, and approved them as written.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-03-2009 - APPOINTMENTS TO BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION

A RESOLUTION APPROVING APPOINTMENTS TO THE BUILDING AND STANDARDS COMMISSION.

Council approved the following appointments and re-appointments and terms for service on the Building and Standards Commission: John Hendrik, Jock Conner (alternate) to terms expiring May 2011; John Broyles, Robbie Baugh to terms expiring May 2011, and Raymond Root, Tommy Robinson, and John Helton (alternate) to terms expiring May 2010.

Councilmember Goldsworthy moved to **approve the Consent Agenda**, and was seconded by Councilmember Nichols. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-03-2009 A - AUTHORIZE SALE OF PROPERTY CONVEYED TO CITY THROUGH SHERIFF'S DEED

A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING SALE OF PROPERTY CONVEYED TO THE CITY OF GAINESVILLE THROUGH SHERIFF'S DEED.

City Manager Sullivan said the City, as Trustee, must first authorize any re-offering of the six properties described in the resolution that were conveyed to the City through Sheriff's deed. The properties were previously offered for sale at public auction on October 6, but did not receive sufficient bid as set by law. The resolution authorizes sale of each property to the highest bidder even if the bid is for less than the total amount of the judgment against the property.

Councilmember Snuggs moved to **approve the resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Draper. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 absent.

RESOLUTION NO. 11-03-2009 B - ACCEPT ARRA FUNDS FOR ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANTS PROGRAM

A RESOLUTION ACCEPTING AMERICAN RECOVERY AND REINVESTMENT ACT (ARRA) FUNDS FOR THE ENERGY EFFICIENCY AND CONSERVATION BLOCK GRANTS PROGRAM (EECBG) AND AUTHORIZING EXPENDITURE OF FUNDS IN ACCORDANCE WITH THE 2009 EECBG FUNDING GUIDELINES.

Sullivan said the City qualifies for \$50,000 in American Recovery and Reinvestment Act (ARRA) funds under the Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants Program (EECBG). He is looking into energy efficiency options such as replacing old HVAC units at City Hall and installing automatic lights at the Public Safety Building. Other projects may be added, and final plans have not been completed, but approval of the resolution allows staff to complete an application in the future for these funds.

Councilmember Draper moved to **approve the resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Goldsworthy. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council did not convene into executive session.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting adjourned at 6:44 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/
Kay Lunnon, City Secretary

/S/
Glenn Loch, Mayor