

**MINUTES
CITY OF GAINESVILLE
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
200 South Rusk
Gainesville, Texas 76240
August 16, 2011**

The City Council of the City of Gainesville, Texas met in regular session on August 16, 2011 at 6:30 p.m. with the following persons in attendance.

MEMBERS PRESENT: Mayor Jim Goldsworthy
Carolyn Hendricks, Ken Keeler, Philip Neelley, Ray Nichols,
Vince Rippy, Beverly Snuggs

STAFF PRESENT: Barry Sullivan, City Manager; Kay Lunnon, City Secretary; Bill Harris, City Attorney; Dan Parker, Finance Director; Steven Fleming, Police Chief; Ron Sellman, Public Services Director; Patrick McCage, Parks and Recreation Director; Dale Rudge, Parks & Recreation

OTHERS PRESENT: Mike Shelton, P.E., John Beck

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Goldsworthy called the meeting to order at 6:30 p.m., with all Council members present.

INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Reverend Darrell McIntyre, Westminster Presbyterian Church, gave the invocation. Mayor Goldsworthy led in the pledge to the flag.

RECOGNITIONS

Star of North Texas Recognition Presentation

Mayor Goldsworthy introduced a new recognition award, the Star of North Texas, created to recognize outstanding efforts of citizens on behalf of the community and the City of Gainesville. John Beck was recognized for his services rendered voluntarily, both personally and with his work crews, over a period of several years in maintaining city properties. Beck is the first recipient of the Star of North Texas medallion. The Star of North Texas medallion is an antique gold plated coin engraved with the City of Gainesville logo and "Star of North Texas, Gainesville, Texas" on the obverse, and with the maxims "Placing Community First", "Enhancing the Lives of our Neighbors and Our Community" on the reverse. Mayor Goldsworthy said he wanted a way to show his and the City's appreciation for unselfish acts and volunteerism in the community.

City Employee of the Month, August 2011

City Manager Barry Sullivan recognized Dale Rudge as City Employee of the Month for August 2011. Sullivan read and presented Rudge a Certificate recognizing him for use of his construction skills, knowledge, and mechanical abilities that have proven to be assets to the City. Rudge also received a certificate redeemable for one day off with pay in addition to being named Employee of the Month.

CONSENT AGENDA

Council reviewed the Minutes of the regular City Council Meeting of August 2, 2011 and approved them as written.

Councilmember Nichols **moved to approve the items on the Consent Agenda**, and was seconded by Councilmember Keeler. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Absent.

FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON PROPOSED TAX RATE FOR FY 2011

FIRST PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED TAX RATE OF \$0.647 PER \$100 VALUATION FOR CITY OF GAINESVILLE FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2011-2012.

City Manager Barry Sullivan introduced the proposed tax rate of \$0.647 and stated the rate is the same tax rate as for the current year and the past several years. He added, however, that because the proposed rate is higher than this year's effective tax rate of \$0.640500, two public hearings are required before the tax rate can be adopted. On a motion and second from Councilmen Keeler and Neelley, Mayor Goldsworthy opened the Public Hearing at 6:37 p.m. and called for public comment regarding the proposed tax rate of \$0.647 per \$100 valuation.

No person came forward to speak either for or against the proposed tax rate, and with no further discussion, Councilmember Snuggs **moved to close the Public Hearing**. The motion was seconded by Councilmember Keeler, and carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 absent. The Public Hearing was closed at 6:38 p.m.

RESOLUTION NO. 08-16-2011 AWARDED BID FOR SUMP PACKAGE "B" TO CONATSER CONSTRUCTION

A RESOLUTION AWARDED BID NO. 2011-05 TO CONATSER CONSTRUCTION, FORT WORTH, TEXAS, FOR CONSTRUCTION PROJECTS IN STREET AND UTILITY MAINTENANCE PROGRAM (SUMP) PACKAGE "B".

Conatser Construction, Fort Worth, Texas, was awarded a contract for the Streets and Utility Maintenance Program (SUMP) Package B, in the total amount of \$1,196,779.40. Package B consists of rebuilding Sivells Bend Road and Refinery Road from Sivells Bend to Hwy 82 with concrete, and replacing water and sewer lines. The City received four bids on August 4 in response to Bid No. 2011-05 for the construction projects in SUMP Package B. The lowest bid for the project was from Conatser Construction. The City Manager and Kimley-Horn and Associates project engineers, recommended approval of the contract to Conatser. This project will be paid from the 2010 SUMP Certificates of Obligation.

Councilmember Nichols **moved to approve the Resolution**, and was seconded by Councilmember Rippy. Motion carried by vote of 7 Ayes, 0 Nays, 0 Abstentions, and 0 Absent.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

At 6:41 p.m. Mayor Goldsworthy announced that Council would convene into Executive Session in compliance with Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, Government Code, Chapter 551 (Open Meetings Act), for discussion under Government Code §551.071 Attorney Consultation.

RECONVENE INTO OPEN SESSION

At 7:04 p.m. Council completed its Executive Session and Mayor Goldsworthy reconvened the meeting into open session, announcing that no action was taken during executive session.

ADJOURN

With no further business to come before the City Council, the meeting was adjourned at 7:04 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

/S/
Kay Lunnon, City Secretary

/S/
Jim Goldsworthy, Mayor