

**REGULAR MEETING MINUTES OF THE LLANO CITY COUNCIL
TUESDAY, JANUARY 16, 2007**

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Pro-Tem Carl Shannon called the Regular Meeting to order with the following Council members present: Tory B. Virdell, Bubba Bollier, Shane Gray and Bryant Ratliff. Mayor Roger Pinckney was absent.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE - Led by Councilman Carl Shannon

PUBLIC COMMENTS (Non agenda items) - None

PUBLIC HEARING

1. To hear an annexation request from Craig and Amanda Jurca for 1202 Mulberry Street – As there were no comments, the public hearing was closed at 5:05 p.m.

DISCUSSION/ACTION

2. Discuss and consider approval of Special Called Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2007 – A motion was made by Councilman Bryant Ratliff and seconded by Councilman Bubba Bollier to approve the Special Called Meeting Minutes of January 8, 2007. This motion passed by a unanimous vote.

3. Discussion only – City of Llano Finance Department Financial Report – Ms. Lynda Kuder was present to answer any questions. Councilman Carl Shannon would like to see our projections by month, electrical, sewer, golf course. Costs are shown but Councilman Shannon wants to see what projections are. Wants a feel for how we are really doing versus our projections. Councilman Bryant Ratliff reiterated that there is not much value in the budget balance unless you can compare the other figures. Put in what was in the same time frame last year.

4. Discussion only - Llano Rail Yard Depot Report. Cap Metro, ArchiTexas and Tx Dot, have three big items to work on: loading dock, roof-line, and bows in the walls. TxDot has ok'd Howard Lyons to approve changes under \$20,000.00. There are three items that need to be addressed: the loading dock, roof-line and bows in the walls. The City has agreed to break up the concrete loading dock and haul off the steel. TxDot will put it back down at their cost. The architect has said that the bows in the walls will improve when the roof-line comes back up. The ten foot wall between the main room and the break room will have to be re-done. The final date for everything to be re-done will be the first week in February. The glass cases for the Railroad Association and the furniture for the Chamber will be delivered the first week of February. Councilman Shannon advised that he feels it will be forty-five days before all the changes will be completed. Councilman Bryant Ratliff asked the City Manager who will be responsible for the exterior signage on the Depot building. Councilman Carl Shannon asked about the possibility of digital signage. Councilman Shannon advised that this is something that needs to be discussed in a workshop. Councilman Ratliff wants signs on the building itself; bold and dictating what the facility is. City Manager John Montgomery advised that some people might object to that. Councilman Shannon advised that there are definitely things you can do away from the building. Mr. Montgomery advised that the job needs to be completed, and TxDOT sign off on it.

5. Discuss and consider volunteer drug testing policy for the City of Llano elected officials.
A motion was made by Councilman Bryant Ratliff and seconded by Councilman Tory B. Virdell to approve the volunteer drug testing policy for the City of Llano elected officials. This motion passed by a unanimous vote.

6. Discuss and consider Ordinance No. 1061 amending Ordinance No. 1048 providing for budget amendments for FY2006-2007. A motion was made by Councilman Bryant Ratliff and seconded by Councilman Tory B. Virdell to approve Ordinance No. 1061. This motion passed by a unanimous vote.

7. Discuss and consider Resolution No. 2007-01-16 calling and ordering a joint election with the City of Llano, Texas and the Llano Independent School District Board for the general election to be held on May 12, 2007.
A motion was made by Councilman Bryant Ratliff and seconded by Councilman Tory B. Virdell to approve Resolution No. 2007-01-16. This motion passed by a unanimous vote.

8. Discussion only – Pursuing CTEC to release the electric service grid regarding David Stewart's property off of Hwy 16 South. Councilman Carl Shannon advised that a workshop is needed for this item regarding the City's situation with Central Texas Electric Cooperative, utility companies and their competitions throughout the Hill Country of Texas. There needs to be more discussion about this item in a workshop with the signage issue at the Depot.

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9. Discuss and consider appointment of Kasey Miller as Fire Chief of the Llano Volunteer Fire Department.
A motion was made by Councilman Tory B. Virdell and seconded by Councilman Bubba Bollier to approve the appointment of Kasey Miller as Fire Chief of the Llano Volunteer Fire Department. This motion passed with a unanimous vote.

Due to inclement weather, the City Attorney was not able to attend the City Council Meeting.
Council passed over the Closed Executive Session.

CLOSED EXECUTIVE SESSION – ANNOUNCEMENT

Pursuant to the provision of the Open Meeting Law, Chapter 551, Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in Section 551.074, Personnel Matters- for the purpose of evaluation and duties of the City Attorney.

OPEN SESSION – ANNOUNCEMENT

10. Discuss and consider the evaluation and duties of the City Attorney. This item was passed over by the City Council.

REPORTS - Mayor, Council, and Staff – City Manager John Montgomery advised that the Llano County Hospital Authority Check has been deposited. Mr. Taylor Virdell has asked for a meeting on the possibility of closing a triangular section of Grayson Street. Councilman Carl Shannon advised that Grayson and Sheffield need to be addressed. Councilman Shannon advised that the parking issues need to be addressed in a workshop. Mr. Montgomery also advised that a meeting had been held with himself, Councilmen Shannon and Virdell regarding a 2.5 million dollar assisted living facility in Llano. Councilman Shannon advised that it is a twenty-four unit facility and very much needed by the City of Llano

ADJOURNMENT - With there being no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 6:05 p.m.

Carl Shannon, Mayor Pro-Tem

ATTEST:

Kerry Williams, City Secretary