

MINUTES
FRITCH CITY COUNCIL PUBLIC HEARINGS AND REGULAR SESSION
DECEMBER 15, 2020
CONDUCTED REMOTELY VIA ZOOM AND
LIVE-STREAMED VIA CITY OF FRITCH – OFFICIAL FACEBOOK PAGE
6:30PM

All agenda items are subject to action. The City Council reserves the right to adjourn into Executive Session on any agenda item should the need arise and if applicable pursuant to authorization by Title 5, Chapter 551, of the Texas Government Code.

1. Call to order Meeting. Welcome Citizens and Visitors.

- A. Mayor Richard Hein called the meeting to order at 6:30 pm. Members present: Mayor Richard Hein, Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins, Alderman Jeremy Rice, and Alderman Jim Story. Employees present: City Manager Drew Brassfield, City Secretary Christina Athey, Public Works Director Roger Pense, Police Chief Bobby Chapmon, Fire Chief Zeb Smith, Animal Control/Code Enforcement Dylan Pense and Municipal Judge Shelby Deatherage. Also Present: EDC President Kim Lindley. Absent: Alderman Chris Pierce. Alderman Tom Ray had technical difficulties, partially present.

2. Pledge of Allegiance & Invocation

- A. No Pledge of Allegiance. Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins led the invocation.

3. Open forum – Comments/Concerns from Citizens.

Individual citizen comments are normally limited to five (5) minutes (time limits can be adjusted by the Mayor). The purpose of this item is to allow citizens an opportunity to address the City Council regarding any topic not on the agenda. By State law, the City Council is not allowed to respond to comments and questions asked of them by an open forum speaker. Any response by a member of the City Council must be limited to referring the matter to staff, a statement of specific factual information/recitation of existing policy, or a proposal to place the subject on a future agenda for a future City Council meeting.

*****Please note: Due to the remote platform on which this meeting is being conducted, those who wish to speak during the open forum need to email the Mayor by 5pm the day of the meeting at mayor@fritchcityhall.com. The email must contain your name and the topic you wish to discuss. The Mayor will then email you with directions for participation.***

- No emails were received by Mayor Richard Hein, no discussion.

4. Consent Items:

This section shall provide for items that require action by the council, but where little or no discussion is anticipated. By a single motion, second and affirmative majority vote, items under this section are approved without further discussion or action. Any council member desiring more discussion on an item may request an item be withdrawn for separate discussion and action.

- A. Approve minutes of the following meetings: 11/17/2020 Regular Session; 12/08/2020 Called Session
- Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins made a motion to accept the consent items as presented. Alderman Jeremy Rice seconded. Vote: 3/0. Motion Passed. Alderman Tom Ray could not be heard for the vote.

5. City Staff & Affiliated Entities Reports

- A. **Court Report** – Judge Shelby Deatherage
- November Report (Standard Court report)
- B. **E.D.C. Report** – President Kim Lindley and/or Director Suzanne Bellsnyder
- November Meeting report

- C. **City Secretary Report** – Christina Athey
 - Financial Updates (Budget reports, Bank, Fund Balance, Debt Service, etc.)
- D. **City Manager Report** – Drew Brassfield
 - Update on On-going Projects
 - Updates on Activities within City Departments

6. New business:

- A. **Discussion and possible action regarding purchase of 2015 Ford Interceptor Command Unit for the Fritch Volunteer Fire Department.**
 - Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins made a motion that we approve the purchase of the 2015 Ford Interceptor Secondary Command Unit. Alderman Jim Story seconded. Vote: 3/0. Motion Passed. Alderman Tom Ray could not be heard for the vote.
- B. **Discussion regarding filling vacant Alderman position.**
 - Discussion on appointment of vacant Alderman position. Council unanimously agreed that appointment is a better decision than waiting on election. Possible appointment in the next council meeting.
- C. **Discussion and possible action regarding EDC entering into a contract with Jason Troutman, Smoke Rings Craft BBQ, LLC.**
 - Alderman Jim Story made a motion that we approve the EDC to enter into a contract with Jason Troutman/Smoke Rings Craft BBQ, LLC. Mayor Pro Tem Billy Robbins seconded. Vote: 4/0. Motion Passed.

7. Mayoral/council member announcements.

- A. None at this time.

8. Future agenda items.

- A. None at this time.

9. Adjournment.

- A. Mayor Richard Hein adjourned the meeting at 7:07 pm.

READ, PASSED AND APPROVED on this ____ day of _____, 2020.

Mayor Richard Hein

Christina Athey, City Secretary