

**ENNIS CITY COMMISSION MEETING MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
TUESDAY, APRIL 2, 2019
6:00 P.M.**

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Juenemann called a meeting of the Ennis City Commission to order on Tuesday, April 2, 2019 at 6:00 P.M. in the City Commission Chambers of Ennis City Hall, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis Texas 75119.

ROLL CALL

A quorum was present to wit:

Angie Juenemann	Mayor	
Matt Walker	Mayor Pro Tem, Ward 6	arrived at 6:10 P.M.
Rowdy Pruitt	Commission Member, Ward 1	
Marco Hernandez	Commission Member, Ward 2	
Scott Hejny	Commission Member, Ward 3	
Shirley Watson	Commission Member, Ward 4	
Bill Honza	Commission Member, Ward 5	

INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

City Manager Scott Dixon offered the Invocation.

The Pledge of Allegiance was led by Mayor Juenemann

COMMISSIONER UPDATES

City Manager Dixon reported on the Ennis Library Book Sale April 5 – 6; Farmers Market starting April 5; Bluebonnet Festival April 12 – 14; Carnival April 17 – 21; and updated the Commission on the progress of the streets and alleys in downtown Ennis.

CITIZEN PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD

No one spoke.

PRESENTATIONS

- Mayor Juenemann read a Proclamation declaring April 2019 as Child Abuse Awareness Month in the City of Ennis and presented it to members of the Ellis County Children's Advocacy Center.
- Mayor Juenemann read a Proclamation declaring April 2019 as Alcohol Awareness Month in the City of Ennis and presented it to Shelley Miller with IMPACT Ennis.
- City Manager Dixon recognized retirees Hirthel Chapman and Jackie Cate and presented them both with plaques thanking them for their years of service to the City of Ennis.
- City Manager Dixon introduced by power point presentation new employees Chase Lyles, Police Officer; Vincent Puthoff, Fire Medic; Chris Kelton, Fire Medic; Michael Rodriguez, Wastewater Maintenance; Glenn Edwards, Wastewater Plant Operator; and Robert Parker, Wastewater Maintenance.
- City Manager Dixon gave a Technology Update reporting that the network infrastructure and connectivity - 90% completion; VoIP telephone upgrade - 50% completion; city website and upgrade - 35% completion; Google business license-SADA - 85% completion; CIVICgov – 10% completion; Bamboo HR – 10% completion; payment kiosk – 90% completion; downtown

sanitation; and improved internet connectivity to include Telebelly, Duct bank infrastructure ordinance, downtown mesh network, and meeting with carriers.

- Mary Petty with P3Works conducted an educational workshop for the Commissioners on Public Improvement Districts (PID). Ms. Petty reported that PIDs provide a tool for government entities to use to contract with private entities to provide public services through qualifying projects; financed by assessments against the property owners within the district may fund improvements such as roadways, water, wastewater, drainage, landscaping, and parks; may be used as an economic development incentive to promote annexation; incentivizes amenities provided by the developer; a team of key staff members and 3rd party consultants to include a financial advisor, bond counsel and PID administrator will be used; types of PIDS include reimbursement PID, reimbursement PID – bonds, bare land bonds, and conduit issuer bonds, and O&M bond; and the establishment of City’s PID policy. A process for establishing a PID was also reviewed.

STAFF REPORTS

Mr. Dixon informed the Commission that the City of Ennis was featured in the Texas Highway Magazine.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. Approval of the minutes for the May 19, 2019 City Commission Regular Meeting.

Mayor Juenemann read the item. Commissioner Honza made a motion to approve the minutes for the March 19, 2019 Ennis City Commission Regular Meeting. A vote was cast, 7 in favor, 0 against. Motion passed.

PUBLIC HEARING

2. Conduct a public hearing and first reading to consider a Resolution approving a Historic Preservation Grant to make improvements to the building and property at 107 N. Sherman.

Mayor Juenemann read the item and opened the public hearing. City Manager Dixon stated that the grant was for the property that would become the new City Hall. No one spoke and the public hearing was closed.

INDIVIDUAL ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

3. Consider approval of the 2018 Historical Landmark Tax Exemptions.

Mayor Juenemann read the item. Mayor Pro Tem Walker made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pruitt, to approve the 2018 Historical Landmark Tax Exemptions. A vote was cast, 7 in favor, 0 against. Motion passed.

4. Consider approval of a Resolution awarding a bid for Fleet Replacements.

Mayor Juenemann read the item. Commissioner Hejny made a motion, seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Walker, to approve the resolution awarding a bid for Fleet Replacements to Ennis Ford. A vote was cast, 7 in favor, 0 against. Motion passed.

5. Consider approval of a Special Events Permit submitted by the Rotary Club of Ennis for the May 25, 2019 Polka Fest Run.

Mayor Juenemann read the item. Commissioner Honza made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Hernandez, to approve a Special Events Permit submitted by the Rotary Club for the May 25th Polka Fest Run. A vote was cast, 7 in favor, 0 against. Motion passed.

6. Discuss and consider approval of a request to waive Building Permit, Plan Review, and Certificate of Occupancy fees for the construction of a four-plex located at 308 W. Lampasas St. by a Christian Response of Shelter and Service (A-CROSS)

Mayor Juenemann read the item. Mr. Eric Toth, representing the A-CROSS Board of Directors, addressed the Commission regarding the faith-based organization whose purpose is to provide interim shelter to citizens in need. Commissioner Hejny made a motion, seconded by Commissioner Pruitt, to waive all permit, plan review, and certificate of occupancy fees for the proposed four-plex located at 308 W. Lampasas. A vote was cast, 7 in favor, 0 against. Motion passed.

7. Discussion regarding potential updates to the existing Water Conservation and Drought Contingency Ordinance.

Mayor Juenemann read the item. City Manager Dixon informed the Commission that a red-lined proposed ordinance had been placed at their seats for review. The current Water Conservation and Drought Contingency ordinance approved in 2014 (Ord No. 14-04-01) requires updating and submission to Texas Commission on Environmental Quality by May 1, 2019. The proposed Ordinance will be placed on the April 16th City Commission Agenda for approval. No action taken.

[Mayor Juenemann recessed the Commission into closed Executive Session at 8:04 PM]

EXECUTIVE SESSION

- a. Section 551.087 – Economic Development Negotiations
- GAF Phase 2

[Mayor Juenemann reconvened the Open Session at 8:19 PM]

16. Take any action necessary as a result of the Executive Session.

No action taken

ADJOURNMENT

With no other business before the Commission, Mayor Juenemann declared the meeting adjourned at 8:20 P.M.

ATTEST:


CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED:


MAYOR



