

CITY OF ENNIS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 18, 2013

7:00 P.M.

Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on March 18, 2013, in the City Commission Chambers of the Ennis City Municipal Building, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis, Texas 75119.

PRESENT: Mayor Thomas, Commissioners Salik, Frazier, Haupt, Taylor, Searcy, and Holley, City Manager Howerton, City Attorney Wilson, and City Secretary Batchler.

Chief Erisman was not present.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Holley

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE was led by Mayor Thomas.

ROLL CALL to determine the presence of a quorum: The City Secretary called the roll and determined that a quorum was present.

MINUTES of the March 4, 2013, workshop were approved as corrected on a motion by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Holley with all members present voting AYE. Minutes of the March 4, 2013 regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Commissioner Searcy and seconded by Commissioner Frazier with all members present voting AYE.

BID AWARD "E 13-10" LEASE PURCHASE FINANCING FOR A COMPRESSED AIR FOAM SYSTEM (CAFS). Four (4) bids were received for "E 13-10" City Manager Howerton recommended the contract award to BancorpSouth for lease-purchase financing of one compressed air foam system (CAFS) in the total amount of \$42,292.69. The compressed air foam system will be used on a Fire Department fire truck and should enable the Ennis Fire Department to secure an ISO "Class 2" Rating. The award is for 48 month lease-purchase financing of the principal amount to \$40,830.00 at an interest rate of 1.735 percent and total interest of \$1,462.69. Annual principal and interest payments will be \$10,573.17 and monthly payments will begin during the second quarter of 2013. The Commission followed the recommendation of City Staff and approved the bid award on a motion from Commissioner Salik and a second from Commissioner Haupt. All members in attendance voted AYE.

SECOND READING OF ORDINANCE 13-03-01 ANNEXING APPROXIMATELY 1.0781 ACRES (ALL PORTIONS OF SAID TRACT NOT CURRENTLY IN CORPORATE LIMITS) OF LAND IN PART OF THE R.R. JACKSON SURVEY, ABSTRACT NO. 550,

RECORDED IN VOLUME 991, PAGE 177 OF THE DEED OF RECORDS OF ELLIS COUNTY, AND KNOWN AS 196 LANEVIEW ROAD, ENNIS, ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS. P & Z CASE #13.01.01, caption of which is as follows:

ORDINANCE NO. 13-03-01

AN ORDINANCE PROVIDING FOR THE EXTENSION OF CERTAIN BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS AND THE ANNEXATION OF CERTAIN TERRITORY CONSISTING OF APPROXIMATELY 1.0781 ACRES OF LAND (LOCATED AT 196 LANEVIEW ROAD), AS DEPICTED IN EXHIBIT "A" HEREINAFTER ATTACHED, (ALL PORTIONS OF SAID TRACT NOT CURRENTLY IN CORPORATE LIMITS), WHICH SAID TERRITORY LIES ADJACENT TO THE AND ADJOINS THE PRESENT BOUNDARY LIMITS OF THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS.

Passed, Approved, and Adopted on a motion by Commissioner Taylor, seconded by Commissioner Salik and all members present voted AYE.

NEW BUSINESS

JOINT ELECTION AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS AND THE ENNIS INDEPENDENT SCHOOL DISTRICT FOR ELECTION FACILITIES. The City Manager stated that this is a standard agreement between the City of Ennis and the Ennis Independent School District for election facilities and the sharing of the cost and use of the AutoMark voting machines. Commissioner Searcy moved to approve the agreement and Commissioner Holley seconded with all members present voting AYE.

INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT BETWEEN THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS AND ELLIS COUNTY, TEXAS TO COORDINATE AND EXECUTE LAW ENFORCEMENT OPERATIONS TARGETING THE SEIZURE OF GAMBLING DEVICES, PARAPHERNALIA AND CURRENCY PURSUANT TO ARTICLE 18.18 OF THE CODE OF CRIMINAL PROCEDURE. The City Manager recommended entering into the agreement and noted terms of the agreement regarding to the disposition of currency seized related to unlawful gambling. No answer filed resulting in a default judgment, the City retains 70 percent of the funds and County receives 30 percent. Answer filed by the defendant, the City retains 60 percent of the funds seized and the County receives 40 percent. Trial/contested, the City retains 50 percent and the County receives 50 percent. Commissioner Salik moved to enter into the agreement and Commissioner Haupt seconded. All members present voted AYE.

COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT CREDIT FOR CITY OF ENNIS PROPERTY TAXES PAID BY ENNIS REGIONAL MEDICAL CENTER (LIFEPOINT) FOR 2012. The City Manager stated that the lease agreement between the City of Ennis, Texas and ERMC provides for a Community Involvement Credit for the City of Ennis Property Taxes. During 2012 ERMC provided charitable discounts totaling \$149,931 to patients with a documented

inability to pay and ERM C provided funding for \$890,367 in capital equipment purchases. The 2012 taxes paid totaled \$63,528.01 less \$3,891.96, a credit for compensated Emergency Room Service for the Ennis Police Department, resulting in the credit due ERM C of \$59,636.05. Commissioner Taylor moved to approve the Community Involvement Credit, Commissioner Salik seconded and all members present voted AYE.

PUBLIC FACILITIES USE PERMIT FOR DAMASCUS ROAD FELLOWSHIP CHURCH. Damascus Road Fellowship Church requested a public facility use permit for the corner of Ennis Ave. and Dallas Street (curb and sidewalk) for April 28, 2013 if the weather allows or May 5, 2013 as an alternate day. City Manager Howerton stated that the permit application is complete with the exception of the certificate of liability insurance naming the City of Ennis as insured. Staff recommends approval of the permit contingent upon receipt of the certificate of liability naming the City of Ennis as insured. Commissioner Frazier moved to grant the permit upon the contingency and Commissioner Haupt seconded. All members present voted AYE.

OLD BUSINESS

APPOINTMENTS TO CITY OF ENNIS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS: No action was taken.

REQUEST FROM CITY COMMISSION AND ROUNDTABLE: Commissioner Holley inquired regarding the procedures in renaming a street. City Manager Howerton stated that a written request should be made, the Commission would consider the request, poll the property owners along the street, and the Commission would make the final determination.

With no further business, Mayor Thomas adjourned the meeting at 7:12 p.m.

Russell R. Thomas, Mayor

ATTEST:

Donna Batchler, City Secretary

