

CITY OF ENNIS COMMISSION REGULAR MEETING

MARCH 2, 2015

7:00 P.M.

Mayor Thomas called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on March 2, 2015, in the City Commission Chambers of the City of Ennis Municipal Building, 115 W. Brown Street, Ennis, Texas 75119.

PRESENT: Mayor Thomas, Commissioners Hackney, Walker and Searcy, City Manager Ewings, City Attorney Wilson, Chief Erisman, City Secretary Batchler, Director of Finance Welch, Chief Aycock and Chief Building Inspector Richardson.

Commissioner Salik, Frazier, and Holley were not in attendance.

INVOCATION: Commissioner Searcy

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

Minutes of the February 16, 2015, workshop were approved as presented on a motion by Commissioner Hackney and seconded by Commissioner Searcy with all members present voting AYE. Minutes of the February 16, 2015, regular meeting were approved as presented on a motion by Commissioner Searcy. Seconded by Commissioner Walker with all members present voting AYE. 4-AYES, 0-NOES Measures carried.

PUBLIC HEARING

Public hearing was opened at 7:03 p.m. by Mayor Thomas for the purpose of hearing public comment regarding the annexation of 6.5622 acres requested by David and Lydia Garcia know as 1855 Highway 287, Ennis, Ellis County, Texas. No comment was made. Mayor Thomas closed the public hearing at 7:04 p.m.

FIRST READINGS

ORDINANCE 15-03-01

AN ORDINANCE AMENDING THE BUDGET FOR THE CITY OF ENNIS, TEXAS, FOR THE FISCAL YEAR OCTOBER 1, 2014 THROUGH SEPTEMBER 30, 2015, FOR THE PURPOSE OF PROVIDING APPROPRIATION FROM THE AIRPORT CONSTRUCTION FUND FOR AIRPORT IMPROVEMENTS; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; PROVIDING AN

EFFECTIVE DATE.

Currently, much of the airport pavement is coming apart creating a hazardous situation for aircrafts due to debris blown into the propellers. Staff would like to use \$50,000 from the Airport Construction fund to match TXDOT Aviation Funds that are provided annually up to \$50,000 to airports for routine maintenance. Commissioner Walker moved to approve the ordinance on first reading amending the FY 2014-2015 Budget to provide appropriations from the Airport Construction Fund for airport improvements and matching the TXDOT Aviation Funds. Commissioner Searcy seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE. 4-AYES, 0-NOES Motion carried.

NEW BUSINESS

PUBLIC FACILITIES USE PERMIT FOR THE 2015 BLUEBONNET TRAILS FESTIVAL

Commissioner Searcy moved to grant a Public Facilities Use Permit to the Ennis Garden Club for the 2015 Bluebonnet Trails Festival scheduled for April 18-19, 2015. Commissioner Walker seconded and all members in attendance voted AYE. 4-AYES, 0-NOES Measure carried.

OLD BUSINESS

APPOINTMENTS TO CITY OF ENNIS BOARDS AND COMMISSIONS:

No action was taken.

REQUEST FROM CITY COMMISSION AND ROUNDTABLE:

None.

With no further business, Mayor Thomas adjourned the meeting at 7:08 p.m.

ATTEST:

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Russell R. Thomas, Mayor

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Donna Batchler, City Secretary

