

**REGULAR MEETING OF CITY COUNCIL
SEPTEMBER 4, 2007**

7:00 P.M.

PRESENT:	Jeff Brain	Mayor
	Garrett Spradling	Council Member
	Marvin "Bubba" Dickson	Council Member
	Charles Gillingham	Council Member
	Leon DeWeese	Council Member
ABSENT:	None	
STAFF:	Wanda Klause	City Manager
	Eddie Edwards	Asst. City Manager
	Larry Byrd	Code Enforcement
	Jimmy Adams	Chief of Police
	Bruce Roberts	Captain BPD
	Bob Watson	Interim Fire Chief
	Glynn Carlock	Director of Finance
	Henry Veach	Director of Public Works
	Danny Richards	EOC Coordinator
	Jim Harder	Director of Utilities
	Kathie Harber	Planning & Zoning
VISITORS:	Judy Mihm	Bill Carder
	Robert Vinyard	Joan Carder
	Polly Gillingham	Terry Washer
	Bill Benda	Janet Huffine
	Angel Moreno	David Miller
	Raymond Loftis	M. Huffine
	Jodina Plumley	Michael Plumley
	Kendell Horton	
NEWS MEDIA:	Michelle Berry	Borger News Herald

MINUTES APPROVED: Following review of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of August 21, 2007, motion was made by Council Member Spradling, seconded by Council Member DeWeese, to approve the minutes as written. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

PAYMENT OF EXPENDITURES APPROVED: Following review, motion was made by Council Member Gillingham, seconded by Council Member Dickson, to approve payment of the

expenditures for the last half of August 2007 as submitted. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

PUBLIC HEARING ON FY 2007 – 2008 PROPOSED BUDGET CONDUCTED /

ORDINANCE O-006-07 INTRODUCED: Assistant City Manager Eddie Edwards presented a short presentation on the status of the current budget and outlined the highlights as well as focus areas of the proposed FY 2007-2008 budget. Mayor Brain then opened a public hearing to allow for public comment. Mayor Brain asked if anyone present wished to make a comment; there being no comment Mayor Brain closed the public hearing. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member Spradling, seconded by Council Member Gillingham, to introduce Ordinance O-006-07 making appropriations in support of the City of Borger for the fiscal year beginning October 1, 2007. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

PUBLIC HEARING ON AD VALOREM TAX RATE CONDUCTED: Mayor Brain opened a public hearing to allow for citizen comment on the City of Borger's proposed ad valorem tax rate of \$0.57997 per \$100 valuation for FY 2007 – 2008. Mayor Brain asked if anyone present wished to make a comment; there being no comment, Mayor Brain closed the public hearing and stated that the City Council would be asked to vote on the tax rate during their regular meeting scheduled for 1:30 pm, September 18, 2007.

COFIELD COMMUNITY BUILDING BID AWARDED: City Manager Wanda Klause explained the process which the staff used to solicited sealed competitive bids on the Cofield Community Building project. Mrs. Klause further stated that the lowest bid for a complete project was submitted by David Miller with Let's-Fix-It Construction. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member DeWeese, seconded by Council Member Spradling, to award the bid to Let's-Fix-It Construction in the amount of \$139,904.45. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

VOTING SYSTEM RENTAL, LICENSE, AND SERVICE AGREEMENT APPROVED:

City Manager Wanda Klause explained a proposed agreement between Premier Election Solutions (formerly Diebold) and the City of Borger. Under the terms of the Agreement, Premier Election Solutions would prepare and furnish all necessary electronic equipment for the May

2008 municipal election as required by law. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member Gillingham, seconded by Council Member Dickson, to approve the agreement. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD MEMBER APPOINTMENTS MADE: Mayor Brain reviewed a letter from Housing Authority Executive Director Monica Money maker detailing the need for two appointments to fill expiring terms. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member Spradling, seconded by Council Member DeWeese, to re-appoint Gary Hannon for another term and appoint Doris True as the Resident Commissioner. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

ORDINANCE O-007-07 PERTAINING TO HEALTH INSURANCE INTRODUCED: City Manager Wanda Klause explained that Texas Municipal League – Intergovernmental Employee Benefits Pool, the City’s provider of health insurance coverage for retirees, now offers optional retiree life and optional retiree dependent life products. Mrs. Klause stated that the cost for these additional products would be borne by the retiree should the Council choose to include them in the retiree benefit package. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member DeWeese, seconded by Council Member Gillingham, to introduce Ordinance O-007-07 offering these new products. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

VOTE FOR THE TML – IEBP BOARD OF TRUSTEES CAST: Assistant City Manager Eddie Edwards submitted a letter and ballot from the TML-IEBP concerning the Council’s opportunity to vote for a candidate to serve on the TML-IEBP, Board of Trustees, Region 2. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member Gillingham, seconded by Council Member Spradling, to cast the City of Borger’s vote for Glen Metcalf, City Manager, City of Canyon. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

BIDS ON PROPERTY ACCEPTED: Bill Swink, Chief Appraiser, Hutchinson County Appraisal District submitted an offer of \$1750.00 from Calvin Hornsby for properties located at

102 Arline, 615 Madison, and 619 Madison. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member Dickson, seconded by Council Member DeWeese, to accept Mr. Hornsby's bid of \$1750.00 for all three properties. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

DEMOLITION OF STRUCTURES APPROVED / EXTENSION GRANTED: Code Enforcement Officer Larry Byrd explained a recommendation from the Building Standards Commission for the demolition of structures located at 107 Coble, 704 McPherson, 701 E. Sixth, and 717 A. Platt. Angel Moreno, speaking on behalf of the owner of 107 Coble, requested an extension allowing time to repair the property. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member Spradling, seconded by Council Member Gillingham, to demolish the structures at 704 McPherson, 701 E. Sixth, and 717 A. Platt; further, grant Mr. Moreno a 30 day extension to make significant repairs to the structure located at 107 Coble. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

RE-ZONING REQUEST RECEIVED / PUBLIC HEARING SET: Code Enforcement Officer Larry Byrd presented a request from Mr. Ray Ramsey to re-zone Lots 17 – 20, Block 24, Original Townsite (700 Whittenburg), from General Residence to Commercial. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member Spradling, seconded by Council Member DeWeese, to receive the re-zoning request and set a public hearing for 1:30 pm, October 2, 2007. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

SPECIFIC USE REQUEST RECEIVED / PUBLIC HEARING SET: Code Enforcement Officer Larry Byrd presented a request from Mr. Danny Blackwell for a Specific Use Permit for Lots 23 – 24, Block 11, Isom Addition (205-209 W. Jefferson), to allow for the placement of a manufactured home on the property. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member DeWeese, seconded by Council Member Dickson, to receive the specific use request and set a public hearing for 1:30 pm, October 2, 2007. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.

Nays: None.

PLAT RECEIVED / PUBLIC HEARING SET: Code Enforcement Officer Larry Byrd presented a preliminary and final plat from Mr. Mike Plumley for a 6.556 acre tract of land in the northwest quarter of Section 17, Block Y, M&C Survey. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member Spradling, seconded by Council Member DeWeese, to receive the plat and set a public hearing for 1:30 pm, September 18, 2007. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: All members present voted aye.
Nays: None.

PLAT RECEIVED / PUBLIC HEARING SET: Mayor Brain recused himself due to a conflict of interest and left the Council Chambers. Code Enforcement Officer Larry Byrd presented a preliminary and final plat from the College Park Partners for a 1.286 acre tract of land in Section 23, Block Y, M&C Survey. Following discussion, motion was made by Council Member Gillingham, seconded by Council Member DeWeese, to receive the plat and set a public hearing for 1:30 pm, September 18, 2007. The motion carried by the following vote:

Ayes: Garrett Spradling, Charles Gillingham, Marvin Dickson and Leon DeWeese.
Nays: None.

QUESTIONS AND COMMENTS FROM CITIZENS: None.

MEETING ADJOURNED: There being no further business, motion was made by Council Member DeWeese, seconded by Council Member Gillingham to adjourn the meeting.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Manager