

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
JUNE 16, 2015 AT 6:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Eric Barna called the meeting to order at 6:01 pm.

2. INVOCATION & PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Barna gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the United States flag.

3. ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

Kim McCranie, Executive Administrative Assistant, certified a quorum with the following Councilmembers present:

Mayor Eric Barna
Mayor Pro Tem Scott Bradley
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Owais Siddiqui
Councilmember Ben St. Clair
Councilmember Betty Nichols Spraggins
Councilmember Sarah Fincanon
Councilmember Rob Thomas

4. PUBLIC COMMENTS

Donna Jenkins, representative for the Murphy Historical Society, spoke to the City Council thanking them for their sponsorship and help. She also explained they have many items that have been donated to help preserve the history of Murphy and those items need a place to be displayed. She requested to make a meeting with the City to discuss this further.

5. PRESENTATIONS

A. Presentation of the Sergeant Kyle Kucauskas Scholarship.

Former Mayor, John Daugherty gave a background on the Kyle Kucauskas Scholarship and presented the \$500 check to Emma Brandon.

6. CONSENT AGENDA

All consent agenda items are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and voted on separately.

- A. Consider and/or act upon the June 2, 2015 regular meeting minutes.

Councilmember Fincanon requested this item be removed from the consent agenda. She wanted to clarify the minutes are always a description of what happens during meetings. They are never a verbatim account but a recap of the legislative actions of Council.

COUNCIL ACTION (6.A.):

APPROVED

Councilmember Fincanon moved to approve the June 2, 2015 regular meeting minutes as presented. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Owais Siddiqui seconded the motion. For: Unanimous. The motion carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

- B. Consider and/or act upon the June 4, 2015 budget discussion minutes.

COUNCIL ACTION (6.B.):

APPROVED

Mayor Pro Tem Scott Bradley moved to approve the Consent Agenda (Agenda item 6.B.) as presented. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Owais Siddiqui seconded the motion. For: Unanimous. The motion carried by a vote of 7 to 0.

7. CITY MANAGER/STAFF REPORTS

- A. Timbers Nature Preserve

Delayed due to rain but is still moving forward.

- B. Betsy Lane Road Widening Project

Delayed to rain, should begin in July.

- C. South Maxwell Creek Parallel Trunk Sewer Line

Delayed to rain, and are trying to begin at a location in a dryer area.

- D. North Murphy Road

The lights at Betsy are not on currently due to TxDOT not putting the electricity in their name. It will hopefully be working by the end of this week. Safe Routes to School is being worked on and is back on track.

8. EXECUTIVE SESSION

The City Council convened into close Executive Session at 6:19 pm pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551, Subchapter D, Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:

- A. §551.071: Consultation with City's Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act regarding zoning, land use, and open space/parks; and/or
- B. §551.072: To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.

9. RECONVENTE INTO REGULAR SESSION

The City Council reconvened into open session at 6:59 pm with the Mayor's announcement that no action was taken in Executive Session, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551, Subchapter D, Texas Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in:

- A. §551.071: Consultation with City's Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with the Texas Open Meetings Act regarding zoning, land use, and open space/parks; and/or
- B. §551.072: To deliberate the purchase, exchange, lease, or value of real property.
- C. Take Action on any Executive Session Items.

No formal action was taken following Executive Session.

10. ADJOURN REGULAR MEETING

With no further business, the meeting was adjourned at 7:00 pm and stated that Council would move to the Community Room to conduct the budget worksession.

11. OPEN BUDGET WORKSESSION - CONVENE TO THE COMMUNITY ROOM

- A. Discussion regarding the FY 2016 General Fund and Utility Fund Revenues and Expenditures and other associated budget discussions.

Mayor Barna opened the budget worksession at 7:03 pm, in the Community Room, with all Council Members present.

City Manager, James Fisher gave an overview of the FY 2016 General Fund, Utility Fund Revenues and Expenditures and other associated budget items. These included:

- Memberships
- Consultant Services
- Legal Services – Capital Projects; PIR; WHF Plat
- Training
- Workers Comp.
- Hardware/Software – Video Streaming
- Contract Labor – Mosquito Management; Radios
- Electricity
- Facilities Contracts
- Street/Sidewalk Repairs

- Contract Mowing
- Engineering Services
- Solid Waste
- Materials & Supplies
- Ambulance
- Janitorial
- Chemicals & Herbicides
- Signal Systems
- Botanical & Agricultural
- Irrigation
- Motor Vehicle Fuel
- Buildings & Grounds Supplies
- Uniforms
- Personnel Costs
- General Fund Revenues

The Council inquired about various items/projects and discussed different possibilities to approach the FY 2016 budget.

Mr. Fisher stated that the Council would receive the FY 2016 draft budget to begin considering while he was out of the office for the next 2 weeks.

12. ADJOURN BUDGET WORKSESSION

The budget work session adjourned at 8:22 pm.



APPROVED BY:

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Eric Barna, Mayor

ATTEST:

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Susie Quinn, City Secretary