

CITY COUNCIL MINUTES
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING
NOVEMBER 15, 2016 AT 6:00 PM

1. CALL TO ORDER

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

2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Barna gave the invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance.

3. ROLL CALL & CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM

City Secretary, Susie Quinn, certified a quorum with the following Councilmembers present:

Mayor Eric Barna
Mayor Pro Tem Scott Bradley
Councilmember Betty Nichols Spraggins
Councilmember Sarah Fincanon
Councilmember Don Reilly

Councilmembers Absent:

Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Owais Siddiqui
Councilmember Jennifer Berthiaume

4. PRESENTATIONS/RECOGNITIONS

Presentation of financial report and investment report as of October 31, 2016. *Steven Ventura, Interim Director of Finance.*

Interim Director of Finance Steven Ventura explained the financial report for month ending October 31st with interest rate slightly increased at 0.37%. The General Fund/MDD/CDC Sales tax for month of October at 14% and for the year at 13%. General Fund Revenues Permits & licenses increased due to high contractor registration within the city and Other Revenue \$105,000 of total is due to insurance proceed repairs for facilities. General Fund Expenditures at 8% of the budget, departments with a significant percentage of the budget are Administration due to salaries and Information Technology due to annual software agreements. Annual payment of software agreements for every department are paid from the Information Technology budget instead of each department budgeting the funds. Utility Fund Revenue total percentage of budget at 8% and on track. Utility Fund Expenditures Wastewater collection increased due to year end true up with North Texas Municipal Water District.

Council and Staff discussed the format of the financial report and investment report. Suggestions were made to make changes in order to compare the fluctuations for patterns to be reflected from year to year.

5. PUBLIC COMMENTS

No Public Comments were presented.

6. CITY MANAGER/STAFF REPORTS

- A. Radio Systems – Chief Cotten addressed Council that furniture has been delivered and installed. The equipment contractor will now be able to begin installation. On Monday, Plano will be programming all portables, the only item that has not arrived are the lapel mics.
- B. Sidewalk Rehabilitation Program – **Murphy Farms** subdivision is completed and next subdivision will be **The Ranch**. Before work begins in **The Ranch**, staff will be addressing some minor street repairs. Overall seventy-one (71) of one hundred four (104) sidewalk repairs have been completed to date on the current program.
- C. South Maxwell Creek Sewer Line – Project is rained out and that stopped the project from making progress, maybe only one hundred (100) to one hundred twenty (120) feet. Contractor is working under McCreary Road to install pipe and completed fifty (50) feet out of one hundred ten (110) feet. It is dry enough now, to begin laying pipe again.
- D. North Murphy Road – Small punch list items to complete that include installing some weep holes and retaining wall at Wagon Wheel on North Murphy Road. Project should be completed by end of this week and for certain prior to Thanksgiving.
- E. Safe Routes to School – Working with the engineer on a solution to the lettering problem as it is difficult to read on the monuments. Staff has provided some mockups of different coloring schemes and have submitted to the city engineer. Crosswalk flashers at northern section are inoperable and a warranty issue, working on having it repaired with the contractor. Punch list items are not to be completed by the city until the project is formally closed out with the contractor.
- F. FM544 Traffic Safety Update – Staff has met with TXDOT twice to discuss the matter and the City will forward the City Engineer's recommendations on to TXDOT for their feedback. Also have provided an update to Ms. Hill on the status of the FM544 safety issue.
- G. Upcoming Events
- Christmas in the Park – Thursday, December 1, 2016 5 pm until 8pm at the front of City Hall – 206 North Murphy Road, Murphy, Texas
 - Boards and Commission Appreciation Dinner – Thursday, December 8, 2016 6:30 pm until 9 pm at the Community Center – 205 North Murphy Road, Murphy, Texas
 - Tour of the City with the Capital Project Advisory Committee – Saturday, December 10, 2016 from 9:00 am until 1:00 pm beginning at the Murphy City Hall Community Room, 206 North Murphy Road, Murphy, Texas
 - Boards and Commission Training – Saturday January 7, 2017 from 8:30 am until Noon at the Murphy Activity Center, 205 North Murphy Road, Murphy Texas

7. CONSENT AGENDA

- A. Consider and/or act to approve the November 1, 2016 Regular Council meeting minutes. *Susie Quinn, City Secretary*

- B. Consider and/or act upon the Alcohol Policy for the Murphy Community Center and Murphy Activity Center. *Susie Quinn, City Secretary*

COUNCIL ACTION (7.A. & 7.B.):

APPROVED

Mayor Pro Tem Bradley moved to approve the consent agenda as presented. Councilmember Reilly seconded the motion. For: Unanimous. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0 (Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Siddiqui and Councilmember Berthiaume were absent).

8. INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

- A. Consider and/or act upon the recommendations from the Council Interview Panel regarding appointing board members to the Planning and Zoning Commission, Board of Adjustments, Murphy Municipal Development District, Murphy 4B Community Development District, the Ethics Review Commission, and the Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals. This item may be discussed in executive session before action is taken. *Susie Quinn, City Secretary*

COUNCIL ACTION (8.A.):

APPROVED

Councilmember Reilly moved to approve the following appointments:

Board of Adjustment

- Kenneth Tatsch and Dr. Rajan Subra, who are currently serving as alternates with a term ending on December 31, 2017 be appointed to a two year term as a full member of the Board of Adjustment commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.
- Daniel Mares be appointed to the Board of Adjustment as an alternate to fill the unexpired term of *Kenneth Tatsch*, ending December 31, 2017.
- Laura Deel be reappointed to the Board of Adjustment for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

The following be appointed to the Board of Adjustment as alternates for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending on December 31, 2018:

- Revis Smith
- Jim Farrell

Building and Fire Code Appeals Board

The following members be removed from the Building and Fire Code Appeals Board:

- Christine Johnson
- Greg Mersch
- Laurel Clement

The following be appointed to the Building and Fire Code Appeals Board to fill the unexpired terms of *Christine Johnson, Greg Mersch, and Laurel Clement* ending on December 31, 2017:

- Joe Clever
- Galon Jones
- Thomas K. Powell
- Donald Decker be reappointed to the Building and Fire Code Appeals Board for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

- David Grice be appointed to the Building and Fire Code Appeals Board for a two year term commencing on January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

Ethics Review Commission

- Andrew Chase be reappointed to the Ethics Review Commission for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.
- Sophia Dookran be appointed to the Ethics Review Commission for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

Murphy Community Development Corporation (4B)

- Laurel Clement be reappointed the Murphy Community Development Corporation Board for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

The following be appointed to the Murphy Community Development Corporation Board for a two year term commencing on January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018:

- Malcolm Hardy
- Gayathri Nagarajan

Murphy Municipal Development District Board

- Jamie Nicholson be reappointed to the Murphy Municipal Development District Board for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.
- Chi Egwuekwe be appointed to the Murphy Municipal Development District Board for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

Planning and Zoning Commission

The following be reappointed to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018:

- Christine Johnson
- Lloyd Jones
- Greg Mersch
- Julie Kamm

And that Chris George be reappointed to serve as an alternate member of the Planning and Zoning Commission for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018.

Councilmember Fincanon seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0 (Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Siddiqui and Councilmember Berthiaume were absent).

- B. Consider and/or act upon the recommendations from the Council Interview Panels regarding appointing board members to the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee, the Parks and Recreation Board and the Capital Project Advisory Committee. *Susie Quinn, City Secretary*

COUNCIL ACTION (8.B.):

APPROVED

Councilmember Reilly moved to approve the following be reappointed to the Animal Shelter Advisory Committee for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018: Dr. Lorraine Chalkley and Buddy Russell. And to the Parks and Recreation Board (Tree Preservation Board) for a two year term commencing January 1, 2017 and ending December 31, 2018: Julie Pancake, Amit Kohli and Carol Long. And Councilmember Reilly moved to approve the Ad Hoc members of the Capital Project Advisory Committee be appointed as presented. Mayor Pro Tem Bradley seconded the motion. The motion carried by a vote of 5-0 (Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Siddiqui and Councilmember Berthiaume were absent).

Note: the seven appointees to the Capital Project Advisory Committee are: Kevin McGillis, John Wideman, Chris Holloway, Wilson Pierce, Greg Matocha, Frederick Olison and Chris George.

9. EXECUTIVE SESSION

In accordance with Texas Government Code, Chapter 551, Subchapter D, the City Council recessed into Executive Session (closed meeting) at 6:24pm to discuss the following:

- A. §551.074 Deliberation regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee:
 - a. City of Murphy Planning and Zoning Commissioners;
 - b. Board of Adjustment Board Members;
 - c. Murphy Municipal Development District Members;
 - d. Murphy Community Development Members;
 - e. Ethics Review Commission Members;
 - f. Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals Members.

10. RECONVENE INTO REGULAR SESSION

The City Council reconvened into Regular Session at 6:36 pm, pursuant to the provisions of Chapter 551, Subchapter D, Texas Government Code, to take any action necessary regarding:

- A. §551.074 Deliberation regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee:
 - a. City of Murphy Planning and Zoning Commissioners;
 - b. Board of Adjustment Board Members;
 - c. Murphy Municipal Development District Members;

- d. Murphy Community Development Members;
- e. Ethics Review Commission Members;
- f. Building and Fire Code Board of Appeals Members.

A. Take Action on any Executive Session Items.

Action was taken on items 8.A. and 8.B. following Executive Session.

11. ADJOURNMENT

With no further business, the Council meeting adjourned at 6:43 pm.



APPROVED BY:

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Eric Barna, Mayor

ATTEST:

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Susie Quinn", is written over a horizontal line.

Susie Quinn, City Secretary