

**MURPHY CITY COUNCIL MINUTES  
REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
AUGUST 1, 2017 AT 6:00 PM  
COUNCIL CHAMBERS  
206 NORTH MURPHY ROAD  
MURPHY, TEXAS 75094**

**1. CALL TO ORDER**

Mayor Scott Bradley called the meeting to order at 6:00 pm.

**2. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE**

Mayor Scott Bradley led the Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance.

**3. ROLL CALL AND CERTIFICATION OF A QUORUM**

**COUNCIL PRESENT:**

Mayor Scott Bradley  
Mayor Pro Tem Jennifer Berthiaume  
Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Sarah Fincanon  
Councilmember Owais Siddiqui  
Councilmember Chris George  
Councilmember Betty Nichols Spraggins  
Councilmember Don Reilly

**COUNCIL ABSENT:**

**4. PUBLIC COMMENTS**

Jon Lashbrook updated City Council regarding the upcoming Chamber of Commerce events:

- The third Tuesday of the every month is the Murphy Chamber of Commerce Luncheon held 11:30 – 1:00pm at the Murphy Activity Center. The upcoming August speaker will be Yoram Solomon on the topic of “Why Do We Get Our Best Ideas in the Shower?”
- In addition, a weekly Thursday morning Meet & Greet at 8:00am at the Murphy Activity Center.
- An Education Seminar to be held on Thursday, August 24 at 11:30 – 1:00pm at the Murphy Community Center. Speaker will be Twila Walton on the topic of “Your CPA is Not Just for Tax Time.” The education seminar is sponsored by Murphy Municipal Development District (MMDD).
- Continuing new member onboarding process to include a new brochure
- Preparing for Maize Days as the Chamber will have the Punkin’ Chunkin’ with Dunkin booth to raise funds for the Scholarship Foundation. Sponsorship information includes donut sponsorship at \$100 (sponsors provide prizes to winners who hit the target of the donut placed in the pond) or Pool Sponsorship at \$150. Goal is to raise funds for three (3) scholarships total of \$4,500.
- Chamber Bricks still have spaces available for the public at \$125.00 each and for

Tina Stelnicki, Community Development Coordinator presented this item to Council.

Mayor Bradley opened the Public Hearing at 6:20 pm

Mayor Bradley closed the Public Hearing at 6:20 pm

**COUNCIL ACTION:**

**APPROVED**

**Mayor Pro Tem Berthiaume made a motion to approve Ordinance Number 17-08-1051 for a Specific Use Permit to allow permanent cosmetics and consider and/or act on an application by the owner of Inspired Cuts, located at 120 E. FM 544, Suite 62. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Fincanon seconded the motion. The motion was approved unanimously, 7-0.**

- B. Consider and/or act to approve Resolution Number 17-R-853 authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Sensus USA, Inc. for the creation and configuration of the Software as a Service environment consisting of the Regional Network Interface Software and Sensus Analytics Enhanced Package within the Sensus USA, Inc. Datacenters on behalf of the City of Murphy. *Taylor Prentice, IT Director*

Council requested from the IT Director, Taylor Prentice an explanation of the delta between the contracts of what we currently do with Sensus and Aqua-Metric. The answer consisted of currently paying Sensus (AquaMetric) \$9,000 a year for software that is no longer supportable and Aqua-Hawk receives \$9,120 annually. The new proposal which will support the water meters is for Sensus (AquaMetric) \$29,870 which will increase 3% per year, AquaHawk will remain the same at \$9,120 annually and Tyler Incode will increase by \$550 a year for the financial upgrade portion of the system.

**COUNCIL ACTION:**

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- C. Consider and/or act upon Resolution Number 17-R-854 authorizing the City Manager to execute a contract with Aqua-Metric Sales Company for the purchase, upgrade and migration of the Sensus Regional Network Interface software and Meter Data Management software into the Sensus Software as a Service environment Regional Network Interface software and Sensus Analytics Enhanced Package software.

Taylor Prentice, IT Director, explained that this contract will create more service space on the servers as the information read, gathered, and processed will be moved to the Software as a Service in the Cloud.

**COUNCIL ACTION:**

**APPROVED**

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- D. Consider and/or act to provide guidance to staff regarding potential modifications to the intersection of N. Murphy Rd. and McWhirter Rd.

City Manager Castro presented Council with three scenarios for the North Murphy Road and McWhirter Road intersection.

Scenario One - is to continue to monitor the intersection. It was noted that TxDOT had removed a portion of a concrete barrier to improve site at the intersection. It was also noted that Public Works had removed and/or trimmed the vegetation growing in the median which also improved site at the intersection.

Scenario Two - is to permanently close the left turn lane from Murphy Road to McWhirter which would also eliminate left turn lanes from McWhirter onto North Murphy Road. This has an estimated charge of \$94,000.

Scenario Three - is to reconfigure McWhirter Road by removing the "S" curve and creating a new intersection further north of the current intersection. The estimate for this project is \$516,000 which does not include right-of-ways or other property concerns.

**Michael Temann, resident** presented questions:

1. Why is the responsibility and liability of correcting this hazardous intersection presented solely as the City of Murphy's?
2. TxDOT created the hazard when they elevated and reconstruct FM2551 at McWhirter Rd. What responsibilities and/or liabilities do they have?
3. Brenan Honey, the TxDOT representative now over the FM2551 project, personally told me Collin County has agreed to assist in straightening McWhirter Rd. To what degree is this true and what did they agree to?
4. I understand there to be many entities involved with this agenda item; TxDOT, the City of Murphy and the City of Parker, Collin County and the current land owners. What agreements or discussions have taken place between the City of Murphy and these entities concerning this agenda item and moving forward to resolve this hazardous intersection?
5. Are there any timelines to share on this agenda item moving forward?

Council addressed that TxDOT is not responsible for McWhirter Road, they are responsible for the line of site on North Murphy Road and it does meet TxDOT requirements. McWhirter Road is an ETJ and if the option is to move forward with realigning the road, then item would need to be presented to the Commissioners Court

Chamber members \$100.00 each.

**5. CITY MANAGER/STAFF REPORTS**

A. South Maxwell Creek Sewer Line

Tim Rogers updated Council on South Maxwell Creek with regard to the testing that is continuing on the sewer line. Three tests are required on the new sewer line and the installed manholes. The failure rate has been high for two of the tests. The third test cannot be completed until the other tests are successful. The City continues to work with the contractor and is including the Bond Company on all correspondence.

B. Upcoming Events

CPR/AED Classes – Saturday, August 5, 2017 from 8:00 AM till NOON **OR** 1:00 PM till 5:00 PM - two separate classes each limited to 12 attendees per class. To reserve a place in either class, please contact Dawnelle Rounsavall at 972-468-4304. Classes are held at the Murphy Fire Department Training Room – 206 North Murphy Road

School Zone Alert – Monday, August 21, 2017 first day of School for students attending Wylie ISD and Plano ISD

Maize Days – Saturday, September 30, 2017 from 10:00 AM till 8:30 PM at Central Park – 550 N. Murphy Road – Murphy, Texas 75094 (Parking at the Kimbrough Stadium)

**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 to approve the June 21, 2017 Joint CPAC and City Council meeting minutes. *Susie Quinn, City Secretary*

B. Consider and/or act to approve the June 26, 2017 Budget Work Session meeting minutes. *Susie Quinn, City Secretary*

**COUNCIL ACTION:**

**APPROVED**

**Mayor Pro Tem Berthiaume made a motion to approve the Consent Agenda as presented. Deputy Mayor Pro Tem Fincanon seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously, 7-0.**

**7. INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION**

A. Hold a public hearing and consider and/or act to approve Ordinance Number 17-08-1051 for a Specific Use Permit to allow permanent cosmetics and consider and/or act on an application by the owner of Inspired Cuts, located at 120 E. FM 544, Suite 62.

to discuss if they would be in agreement in participating in the expense.

Future developers may wish to change the entire lay-out of the existing roads on the property. Chief Cotten was requested to update Council if problems develop.

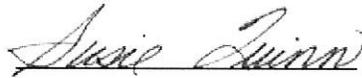
Following discussion Council reached a consensus to have staff continue to monitor the situation.

**8. ADJOURNMENT**

With no further business, a motion was entertained by the Mayor and the Council meeting adjourned at 7:18 pm.

APPROVED BY:

ATTEST:



Susie Quinn, City Secretary



Scott Bradley, Mayor