

HURRICANE CITY COUNCIL

April 7, 2008

The Hurricane City Council met in regular session on April 7, 2008, with the following members present:

Mayor: Scott Edwards  
Recorder: Linda Gibson  
Council: Reggie Billups - absent  
Lana Call  
Don Chaney  
Brian Ellis  
Patty Hager

Meeting called to order.

Pledge Allegiance was led by Mayor Scott Edwards.

The Mayor presented the Hurricane High School Red Hot Show Choir certificates and congratulated them and director Kim Edwards for their outstanding performances throughout the year. 2008 Grand Champions.

Motion was made by Brian Ellis and seconded by Linda Gibson to approve minutes of the March 3, 2008, regular session. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brian Ellis and seconded by Patty Hager to approve minutes of the March 3, 2008, Public Hearing. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Brian Ellis and seconded by Linda Gibson to approve minutes of the March 18, 2008, Special Session. Motion carried. Call & Chaney opposed.

Motion was made by Brian Ellis and seconded by Linda Gibson to approve minutes of the March 18, 2008, Public Hearing. Motion carried. Call & Chaney opposed.

Motion was made by Patty Hager and seconded by Brian Ellis to approve paying the bills from the General Fund. Hager & Call had questions on Comvest. Motion carried. Call opposed.

Motion was made by Brian Ellis and seconded by Lana Call to approve paying the bills from the Coal Severance Fund. Motion carried.

Recognition of the Police Department - The Mayor stated that he had received compliments from citizens as well as Walmart managers appreciating the Police Department for their good work.

Mr. Chuck Knurek of Griffith & Associates explained the need for the water rate increase to council and those present with questions. Roy Vanater made remarks and Landon Stanley stated that those on fixed income would be paying more. The Mayor asked if PSC comes in it would still go into effect. After discussion.

Having voted no, on the prevailing side, I, Brian Ellis move to reconsider the vote by which we rejected an Amendment to Ordinance Article 939.03 WATER RATES.

Seconded by Patty Hager. The Mayor stated: It has been moved and seconded to reconsider the vote by which we rejected the amendment of ORDINANCE ARTICLE 939.03 WATER RATES. Are you ready for the question on the motion to reconsider? All in favor of reconsidering the motion vote yea 3, Opposed nay Call & Chaney.

Motion carried. Scott Cole made a comment in opposition as well as about money from the general fund and others.

The vote has been reconsidered; the question now is on the adoption of the amendment to the ORDINANCE ARTICLE 939.03 WATER RATES. All in favor vote yea 3, opposed nay 2 Call & Chaney. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Linda Gibson and seconded by Patty Hager to have the second reading and adoption of AMENDMENT SECTION 1135.03 CERTAIN NUISANCES ENUMERATED. Motion carried. Opposed Call

Motion was made by Linda Gibson and seconded by Patty Hager to make payment of Regional Intergovernmental Council annual dues. After discussion motion carried.

The Mayor read letters from Sgt. J.S. Moore and Chief W. M. Mullins recommending Patrolman Chuck J. Holloran be promoted to Corporal within the Police Department. The Mayor stated that he agreed with the recommendations and Mr. Holloran was then promoted to Corporal.

Motion was made to table the purchase of a Bucket Truck and Dump Truck for the Street Department. Ben Newhouse explained the need for the vehicles to replace existing vehicles that are worn out. Motion carried. Opposed Gibson. The Mayor asked council to go to the Maintenance Garage to look at the vehicles before the next meeting.

The Mayor informed council that City Manager, Ben Newhouse had discussed the dog problem with the homeowner on Hayslette Avenue. His comment was that he noted that he heard about 25 dogs inside of peoples houses while he was out running, but only saw 2 or 3 dogs. The Mayor asked if there would be any further discussion on this.

The Mayor read the Children's Memorial Month Proclamation. Motion was made by Linda Gibson and seconded by Don Chaney to proclaim the month of April as Children Memorial Month in the City of Hurricane. Motion carried.

Motion was made by Linda Gibson and seconded by Patty Hager to sign the Resolution authorizing the Mayor to sign all documents for the Community Participation Grant. Motion carried.

The Mayor announced that May is Spring Clean-Up month for Hurricane residents. Brenda Campbell informed council that this is a service offered as part of the contract with Cummings Collection. The pick up schedule will be advertised and listed on the Hurricane utility bill.

City Manager, Ben Newhouse reported that KFC is currently under construction and he received plans for Taco Bell and Arby's. He still working with the "Rebuilding Together" to offer assistance to area residents who need help with home repairs.

The Mayor read a thank you letter from the Kidd family for the assistance they received with replacing their roof.

#### **Hurricane Fire Department Report**

Captain Deron Wilkes reported that the department needs members. The current volunteers will be doing a lot of training on the weekends in the upcoming weeks. The annual carnival is scheduled for June 10, 2008.

#### **Persons to Appear**

Tom Henson – Thomasino's Car Wash – Mr. Henson reported nothing new at this time.

Bill Thompson – Carpenter Avenue - Mr. Thompson stated that the storage building built at 3402 Carpenter Avenue is in violation of the city R-1 ordinance. In his opinion the set back requirements are not met. The Mayor referred councilpersons Ellis & Hager Brenda Campbell, Mike Mullins to look at the situation and report back at the next council meeting. Brenda will coordinate meeting.

Ryan Henry stated that we would have expected a neighbor to let him know if he had problem with construction of the building.

#### **Persons from Sign in Sheet**

Roy Vanater – Stated that clarification was needed on city ordinances. Rules need to set and abide by.

**Announcements**


Special Budget Council Meeting – April 15, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. to Lay the Levy for 2008-2009 Budget.

Hurricane Creek Watershed Association Meeting – April 24, 2008 at 6:30 p.m. at the Municipal Building.

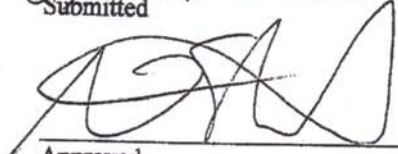
Letter from Western Conservation District awarding \$2,000 for the walking trail at City park along with five rolls of typar felt paper for the base of the trail.

**New Business**

Motion was made by Brian Ellis and seconded by Patty Hager that the meeting be adjourned. Motion carried.

  
Submitted

5/5/08  
Date

  
Approved

5/5/08  
Date