

CITY OF REMERTON
REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
MAY 11, 2009
COUNCIL CHAMBERS
5:30 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT:

Mayor-Cornelius Holsendolph
Mayor Pro Tem-Reginald Stacks
Council Member-Ryan Gordon
Council Member-Lydia Day
Council Member-Bill Wetherington
Council Member-Sherry Wood

Mayor Cornelius Holsendolph asks everyone to have a moment of silent prayer for Chief Mike Terrell due to the death of his mother.

Mayor Cornelius Holsendolph gave invocation and led the Pledge of Allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America.

Minutes for Approval:

The minutes from Regular Session April 13, 2009 were approved by Council member Bill Wetherington and seconded by Mayor Pro Tem Reginald Stacks. All in favor. Motion carried.

Citizens to be heard:

Property owner Bill Hart, 1752 Poplar Street spoke in regards to the water meter boxes. He said he did not like the appearance of the boxes on a stand and that he did not want to cut the grass due to the appearance of the boxes. The boxes were placed up and visual because people were running over them with their cars. He stated he had spoke to Ron Woods the Utility Supervisor and that he said they were like that because they had replaced the meters several times at the City's expense and that if they ran over them it would stop them or possibly mess up the cars. It was decided that it would be taken to the Public Works committee for discussion to solve the problem.

Barbara Southall property owner from 1307 Old Mill Place said the meters look like crap and that when they replaced meter last time they left the asphalt just laying out. Again this was referred to Public Works committee for discussion.

UPDATE:

Update regarding City Water Project

Mayor Cornelius Holsendolph stated that one easement issue needs to be resolved and we are in the process of applying for a boring permit from the Railroad to bring one of the new lines under the Railroad.

NEW BUSINESS:

CONSIDERATION REGARDING THE TRAVEL POLICY IN REGARDS TO USING CITY VEHICLES WHEN AVAILABLE FOR TRAVEL AND TRAINING.

Council member Day suggested changing the current travel policy to drive the city vehicle when going out of town to avoid paying mileage. Council member Wetherington made motion to leave policy as it is and Council member Gordon seconded. Council member Day opposed. All other is favor. Motion carried.

CONDISERATION REGARDING THE TRAVEL POLICY IN REGARDS TO USING CITY CREDIT CARDS ONLY FOR TRAVEL.

Council member Day stated that everyone had a city credit card available to them and wanted everyone to use them instead of personal cards. Council member Gordon stated we should have the option to use city card or personal card. Council member Wetherington seconded. Council member Day and Mayor Pro Tem Stacks opposed. All others in favor. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION REGARDING THE TRAVEL POLICY IN REGARDS TO MEAL ALLOWANCE PER DAY. THE AMOUNT WOULD BE \$40.00 IN LOW COST AREA AND \$50.00 IN HIGH COST AREAS PER DAY FOR MEALS. Council member Wetherington stated he was in favor of \$40.00 per day for low cost area and \$50.00 per day in high cost areas for meals per day. Council member Wood seconded. All in favor. Motion carried.

CONSIDERATION REGARDING UPDATING THE ETHICS COMMITTEE ORDINANCE.

Council member Day wanted the policy to state that any complaints go straight to the Ethics Committee but current policy states that it goes to City Manager and then goes to Ethics Committee from that point. Council member Wetherington made motion not to change current policy which was seconded by Council member Gordon. Council member Day opposed. All others voted in favor. Motion carried.

FINANCIAL REPORT:

City Clerk, Lisa Mashburn gave financial report. Council member Wood stated she wanted the CD maturity dates on report each month. She also asks for the Expense and Revenue Report. Council member Day requested the monthly distribution report. City Clerk stated she would email reports to all. No vote on approval of Financial Report.

REMINDER OF SPECIAL CALLED WORK SESSION ON TUESDAY, MAY 12, 2009 AT 5:30 IN REGARDS TO NOISE ORDINANCE.

MOTION TO ENTER EXECUTIVE SESSION TO DISCUSS PERSONNEL BY COUNCIL MEMBER WETHERINGTON WHICH WAS SECONDED BY COUNCIL MEMBER DAY. ALL IN FAVOR. MOTION CARRIED.

MOTION TO COME OUT OF EXECUTIVE SESSION BY COUNCIL MEMBER WETHERINGTON WHICH WAS SECONDED BY MAYOR PRO TEM STACKS.

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MAYOR CORNELIUS HOLSENDOLPH