



CITY OF CUERO

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

SEPTEMBER 12, 2022

9/12/2022 - Minutes

1. Call To Order And Announce A Quorum Is Present

Mayor Meyer called the meeting to order at 5:00 pm.

Members present: Mayor Sara Post Meyer, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Matthys, Councilmembers John Fuqua, Emil Garza, Terry Glover and Tony Allen. Councilmember Mitch Adams was out of town.

Staff Present: City Attorney James Crain, City Manager Raymie Zella, Finance Director Connie Hawes, Utility Supervisor Wayne Berger, Assistant to the Utility Supervisor Rhonda Stastny, Parks Supervisor David Danish, Museum Manager Amber Fitts, Police chief Jay Lewis, and City Secretary Jennifer Zufelt.

2. Invocation

City Attorney James Crain gave the Invocation.

3. Pledge Of Allegiance

Councilmember Emil Garza led the pledges.

4. Public Comments

Turkeyfest President Brenda Martin spoke about the 50th Anniversary of the Turkeyfest coming up and some of the events. There are 60 people riding the bus to Worthington, MN. for the King Turkey Days with others flying or driving.

5. Presentation And Recognitions

5.1. Introduction Of New Cuero Development Corporation Director, Mrs. Maggie Cromeens.

Cuero Development Director Bobby Seiferman introduced Maggie Cromeens as the new incoming Director.

6. Public Hearing

Mayor Meyer opened the Public Hearing at 5:10 PM

6.1. Public Hearing On A Request From On A Request To Close/Abandon An Undeveloped Alley Located In A Portion Of Block 15, North Fields, Behind 603 E Second Street. The Alley Runs In A Easterly/Westerly Direction Between N. Henry Street And N. Valley Streets.

Applicant, Mrs. Boehl and her son was present. Councilmember Tony Allen stated he went by and couldn't see where there had ever been an alley.

7. Council Consideration And Action Items

7.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Request From Texas Hero Memorial Foundation For Event In The Municipal Park.

Park Supervisor David Danish presented Hero Fest Application to Council stating the event is September 24, 2022. they will be having a Wall of Honor, Sky Divers will be jumping at approximately 2:00 pm, and they are asking to land on Fairway 8 or the Knoll. To go plates will be given free to First Responders and plates will be sold to public. Broadway gate will be closed. Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Garza to approve the event at the park and allowing the sky divers to land on the knoll, not the fairway. The motion was approved unanimously.

7.2. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Request From Texas Hero Fest For Hotel Motel Tax.

Peggy Mayer presented her Hotel/Motel fund application to the Council for the Hero Fest. They are asking for \$15,000. Council asked for an updated budget at next meeting. Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Garza to approve the request for \$15,000 from the Hotel/Motel Funds. The motion was approved unanimously.

7.3. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On A Request From The Tri-City Empowerment Council To Close Streets For A Festival To Be Held At Daule Park On October 8, 2022.

Viola Holman presented to Council her application for the use of Daule Park for the first annual Gospel Fest to be held October 8, 2022 from 12:00 - 10:00 pm. she is requesting that Milligan, Center and Bridge Streets be blocked off for the event. Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Matthys, seconded by Councilmember Allen to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

7.4. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On A Request From The Stephenson Unit To Hold A Car Show And Cookoff In The Municipal Park.

Park Supervisor David Danish presented a request from the Stephenson Unit to have a Cookoff and Car show at the Municipal Park on October 15, 2022 from 12:00-5:00 pm. The Broadway gate will be closed but all others will remain open. Motion to approve the request made by Councilmember Glover, seconded by Councilmember Allen. The motion was approved unanimously.

7.5. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Request From Main Street Director For Temporary Street Closure From Friday, October 21, 2022 Through Monday October 24, 2022.

Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Glover to approve the request for the closure of Market Days event on October 22, 2022. Streets to be closed will be the 200 Block of East Main, South Gonzales from E. Main to W. North Railroad Streets. Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Glover to approve the request. The motion was approved unanimously.

7.6. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Participating In The National Fitness Campaign Through Blue Cross Blue Shield Of Texas.

Rhonda Stastny informed Council of a fitness campaign that Blue Cross/Blue Shield is doing across the Nation. The City can apply for a grant to participate. Equipment would be installed at the Municipal Park and City would be required to match the grant money if awarded. Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Matthys, seconded by Councilmember Garza to make application. The motion was approved unanimously.

8. Emergency Reading Of An Ordinance

8.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Ordinance No. 2022- 14, Amending The FY 2021-2022 Budget

Finance Director presented the FY 2021-2022 second budget amendment to Council. A couple errors were found. Motion made by Councilmember Glover, seconded by Councilmember Fuqua to approve Ordinance

