



CITY OF CUERO

COUNCIL MEETING MINUTES

MAY 11, 2020 5:15 PM

5/11/2020 - Minutes

1. Call To Order And Announce A Quorum Is Present

Mayor Meyer called the meeting to order at 5:15 pm.

Members present: Mayor Sara Post Meyer, Mayor Pro Tem Bill Matthys, Councilmembers Tony Allen, Terry Glover, Brad Hedrick, John Fuqua and Mitch Adams.

Staff present: City Manager Raymie Zella, City Secretary Jennifer Zufelt, Deputy City Secretary Katelyn Corporon, Police Chief Jay Lewis, City Attorney James Crain.

2. Invocation

James Crain, City Attorney gave the invocation.

3. Pledge Of Allegiance

The pledge to the American Flag and Texas Flag was led by Tony Allen.

4. Administration Of The Statement Of An Elected Official And Oath Of Office By The City Attorney James Crain, To The Elected/Appointed Officials Sara Post Meyer, Terry Glover, Brad Hedrick And Mitch Adams.

City Attorney James Crain gave oath of office to Mayor Sara Post Meyer, Mayor unopposed, Brad Hedrick District 3 unopposed, Terry Glover District 2 unopposed and Mitch Adams appointed to District 4 replacing Roy Johnson due to resigning.

5. Public Comments

No Public comments

6. Presentation And Recognitions

6.1. Proclamation For National Police Week

Mayor Meyer read and presented a proclamation for National Police Week and Police Memorial Day, to Police Chief Jay Lewis and several of Cuero Officers.

6.2. Proclamation Hurricane Preparedness Week

Mayor Meyer read a proclamation for Hurricane Preparedness Week.

6.3. Report From Cuero Development Corporation On The Grant Programs

Cuero Development Corporation Director, Bobby Seiferman, informed Council about the Grant Relief Programs being offered to small business's.

Rental Assistance Grant to assist with rents: \$1000 for six months.

Small Business Assistance Grant to help with utilities.

CDC Board agreed to use up to \$250,000 for the grants. At this time they have approved \$165,532.00

7. Emergency Reading Of An Ordinance

7.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Ordinance No. 2020-09, Approving An Utility Easement For 158 FM 766.

Motion made by Councilmember Allen, seconded by Councilmember Glover, to table Ordinance No. 2020-09 until the corrected information is obtained from the Title Company. The motion was approved unaniously.

8. Resolutions

8.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Resolution No. 2020-25, Awarding Bid For The Friar Ag Renovations.

Tim Gescheidle AIA, with TSG Architects, explained the bidding and ranking process for the Friar Ag Project.

He recommended Weaver and Jacobs Constructors for the project.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Matthys, seconded by Councilmember Brad Hedrick to approve Resolution NO. 2020-25, approving Weaver and Jacobs Constructors. The motion was approved unanimously.

8.2. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Resolution No. 2020-26, Amending City Personnel Policy By Adding To Section 5.05, Sick Leave.

Councilmembers wanted additional information and additions to the policy. Motion made by Councilmember Glover, seconded by Councilmember Fuqua to table Resolution NO. 2020-26. The motion was approved unanimously.

9. Council Consideration And Action Items

9.1. Discuss, Consider And Possible Action On Hotel/Motel Occupancy Tax Payments.

Motion made by Mayor Pro Tem Matthys, seconded by Councilmember Glover to table this item until the Texas Comptroller was contacted to see if payments could be deferred or if discounts can be offered. The motion was approved unanimously.

10. Reports

City Manager Raymie Zella reported that the Railroad Street project in being repaved due to it having flaws. The parking lot will also be redone.

Cemetery Project is moving and should be complete by the end of May.

COVID-19. City Hall opened May 4th with social distance arrows on floors, employees getting temperature checked when they come in. Library also opened. All departments has all staff back to work.

Letter received from auditor Steve Van Manen just giving the Council a brief overview of last fiscal year. The

City has a minimum fund balance of 25% if the annual operating expenditures which provides a 15% cushion. Auditor will be presenting a full report at the June Council Meeting.

11. Consent Agenda

Motion made by Councilmember Fuqua, seconded by Councilmember Glover to approve all items on the consent agenda. The motion was approved unanimously.

11.1. Council Meeting Minutes 4/6/2020 And 4/13/2020

11.2. DeWitt County Appraisal District Monthly Report

11.3. Municipal Court Monthly Report

11.4. Building Department Monthly Permits

11.5. Library Monthly Report

11.6. Cuero Development Corporation COVID-19 Small Business Assistance Program Application Process

11.7. Emil Garza To Building And Standard Commission For A Two Year Term

12. Adjourn

Mayor Meyer stated that during the Governors conference that small cities can apply for a share of 11.6 billion dollars which comes out to approximately \$55 a person. Cities have until the end of the year.

Meeting adjourned at 6:35 pm.

PASSED AND APPROVED THIS 8TH DAY OF JUNE, 2020

SARA POST MEYER , MAYOR

ATTEST:

JENNIFER ZUFELT, CITY SECRETARY