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City of Statham
COUNCIL MEETING
MARCH 18, 2014
7:00 P.M.

1. CALL TO ORDER:

The regular business meeting of the City of Statham City Council was called to order by Mayor Robert Bridges at 7:01 p.m. Members present were Mayor Robert Bridges and Council Members Perry Barton, David Huth, Betty Lyle, Gayle Steed and Hattie Thrasher. Also in attendance were Police Chief Steve Martin, City Clerk Harriet Jett Kilpatrick, and City Attorney Thomas Mitchell. The media was represented by Chris Bridges of the Barrow Journal.

2. FRIENDS OF THE LEGION AS WELL AS REPRESENTITIVES FROM CYCLE WORLD

This item was not on the agenda but several people showed up from the above referenced and asked to speak to the Council. Mayor Bridges asked them to speak before the meeting started so that they could leave if they wanted and the council could proceed with the regularly scheduled meeting. They representatives thanked the council for allowing the "Motorcycle Ride for the Fallen" to take place in Statham on May 10, 2014.

3. APPROVAL OF MINUTES

(A) COUNCIL MEETING – FEBRUARY 18, 2014

Gayle Steed made a motion to approve the minutes of the February 18, 2014 council meeting as written. Perry Barton seconded the motion. Unanimous.

4. OLD BUSINESS:

(A) COMPUTERS FOR CITY HALL

The Council Members reviewed the bids for new computers for City Hall again. City Clerk, Harriet Jett Kilpatrick, recommended Athens Micro. Perry Barton made a motion to go with Athens Micro to replace the three (3) computers in City Hall. David Huth seconded the motion. Unanimous.

(B) HARD DRIVES (2) FOR SERVER IN CITY HALL

Council Members reviewed the bids again for the two (2) hard drives for the server in City Hall. City Clerk, Harriet Jett Kilpatrick, recommended Athens Micro since their price was comparable to the other bid, and the council had voted for Athens Micro to install the computers. David Huth made a motion to use Athens Micro to replace the two (2) hard drives in the server. Gayle Steed seconded the motion. Unanimous.

5. NEW BUSINESS:

(A) CLEAN UP WEEK – APRIL 12-19, 2014

- (1) After reviewing the estimate from Roll Off Systems, Gayle Steed made a motion to accept the bid from Roll Off Systems for the dumpsters for Clean-up Week. Betty Lyle seconded the motion. Unanimous.
- (2) After reviewing the price estimate from Lindsay Systems, the Council discussed whether the City had had shredding in the recent past; questioned how many “shred cycles” there would be (@\$40.00 per shred cycle); if the \$35.00 delivery and pick-up fee was per bin or a flat fee, etc. After discussion, Gayle Steed made a motion to table this portion of the expense for Clean-Up week until the Council received additional information. David Huth seconded the motion. Unanimous.

(B) SPRING FESTIVAL – MAY 3, 2014

- (1) A brief update was given by Betty Lyle in Randy Gordon’s absence. No vote was called for or taken.

(C) HIGHWAY ADVERTISEMENT SIGNAGE FOR LOCAL BUSINESSES

- (1) After reviewing the picture of the signage and cost proposal and brief discussion regarding same, David Huth made a motion to table the signage and cost proposal until the council receives more information. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. Unanimous.

(D) GMA SAFETY & LIABILITY MGT GRANT PROGRAM – CHIEF MARTIN

- (1) General Information by Chief Steve Martin.
- (2) Quote from Galls for Portable Walk-through metal detector. Gayle Steed made a motion to table any purchase until the final legislative vote. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. Unanimous.
- (3) Quote from EMC Security for Alarm System at Police Department. Chief Martin gave a brief summary of the concerns and need for an alarm system similar to what is installed at City Hall. Perry Barton made a motion to contract with EMC Security for the one time installation payment (\$1,100.00) and the monthly monitoring charge (\$28.95). David Huth seconded the motion. Unanimous.

(E) MAINTANECNE AGREEMENT FOR DUPLICATING MACHINE AT BUILDING & CODE ENFORCEMENT

- (1) After reviewing two maintenance agreements for the duplicating machine and considering the recommendation made by Randy Gordon previously, Gayle Steed made a motion to approve the \$600.00 maintenance agreement. Betty Lyle seconded the motion. Unanimous.

(F) CITY ATTORNEY, THOMAS MITCHELL, ASKED TO AMEND THE AGENDA FOR THE FOLLOWING TWO ITEMS.

- (1) 1st reading for an ordinance for Firearms in Public Buildings for Statham. Gayle Steed made a motion to waive the first reading. Perry Barton seconded the motion. Unanimous
- (2) 1st reading for an ordinance regarding Advertising Standards (as it relates to the above mentioned and tabled item regarding signage). David Huth made a motion to waive the 1st reading. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. Unanimous.

5. OTHER BUSINESS

(A) RUDY KRAUSE, 472 WHISPERING OAK, STATHAM

Mr. Krause explained to the Council that his neighbor has moved into a camper next door to his property, installed an above ground septic tank, created a gravel driveway, etc., indicating permanence. Gayle Steed stated that the issues raised regarding the neighbors are definitely in conflict with our zoning ordinances. The mayor and council will discuss with our Zoning and Coding Enforcement officer, Randy Gordon, when he returns from training and have him take care of the issue(s).

6. GRIEVANCE HEARING FOR POLICE OFFICER ASHLEY WHIRRELL

Per City Attorney Thomas Mitchell, this item was postponed to the next regularly scheduled City Council meeting.

7. EXECUTIVE SESSION

Mayor Bridges made a motion to enter into executive session to discuss a personnel issue. Hattie Thrasher seconded the motion. No action was taken when the council came out of executive session.

8. ADJOURN

There being no further business before the Council, Hattie Thrasher made a motion to Adjourn. David Huth seconded the Motion. The meeting of the City of Statham City Council adjourned at 8:15 p.m.