

CITY OF INGLESIDE ON THE BAY
CITY COUNCIL MEETING
February 20, 2007

- I. City Council Meeting was called to order by Mayor Foster at 7:00 p.m.
- II. Silent prayer was observed.
- III. Mayor Foster led the Pledge of Allegiance.
- IV. Roll Call: Present were: Mayor Foster, Alderman Gillespie, Garbutt, Ehmann, Morgan and Watson.
- V. Minutes of Previous City Council Meeting of January 16, 2007 were approved as read
Minutes of Previous City Council Workshop of February 6, 2007 were approved as corrected.
- VI. Costal Bend Council of Governments Report was given.
Treasurers Report was given
- VII. Citizen Participation was held.
Bruce Thauburn stated his appreciation to City Employees and the community for their compassion during a stressful period for him.
- VIII. Reports from Standing Committees

Item A: Planning & Zoning reported a meeting was held on February 15th. The Comprehensive Master Plan was worked on.

Item B: Parks & Recreation reported a meeting will be held on the first Saturday in March at 8:30 a.m. to be followed by a workday, weather permitting.

Item C: VFD reported three members completed the training in Refugio and four will attend training in Beeville. The Moose Lodge will hold a Fish-fry fund raiser for the VFD on May 12th.
- IX. **Old Business:**

Item A: Discuss and Possible Action approve/disapprove Ordinance Relating to Protecting the Public Health and Promote the Public Welfare of the City Providing for Standards for Lots; Ordinance 1992-17 and Ordinance 1995-08
Alderman Watson asked for clarification of Article 3 Sec c. A correction was made. Alderman Ehmann made the motion to approve the Ordinance Relating to Protecting the Public Health and Promote the Public Welfare of the City Providing for Standards for Lots. Alderman Watson seconded the motion. The motion passed with Aldermen Gillespie, Garbutt, Ehmann and Watson voting in favor of the motion. Alderman Morgan voted against the motion.
- X. **New Business:**

Item A: Discuss and Possible Action approve/disapprove Resolution Calling for an Annual Election
The City Secretary read the Resolution. Alderman Ehmann made the motion to approve the Resolution. Alderman Gillespie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

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Item B: Discuss and Possible Action approve/disapprove Ordinance or Resolution concerning AEP Texas Central Company's Rate Change

Mr. King gave a brief explanation of the differences between the Ordinance and the Resolution and stated AEP would like the City to approve the resolution. Council reviewed and discussed both the proposed Ordinance and the proposed Resolution. Alderman Garbutt made a motion to deny the rate increase and a motion to disapprove the ordinance. Alderman Garbutt withdrew both motions. Alderman Gillespie made the motion to approve the Ordinance as drafted by STAP. Alderman Garbutt seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item C: Discuss and Possible Action approve/disapprove Resolution in Support of the Efforts of the Bi-National Economic Alliance

Mayor Foster explained the reason for the Resolution, which was recommended by TML. Alderman Watson made the motion to approve the Resolution and Support the Bi-National Economic Alliance. Alderman Gillespie seconded the motion. The motion passed unanimously.

Item D: Discuss and Possible Action concerning Tri County EMS matters

Mayor Foster explained her experiences with problems concerning Tri County EMS and IOB citizens. The information requested from Tri County EMS has not been received. Clarification from Tri County EMS stated the City needed to pay a subsidy to receive any services. Discussion occurred between former Mayor Al Robbins, Mayor Foster and Council Members of the past agreements and procedures. Clarification of the fee on the water bills being voluntary was made. Discussion was also held concerning where the funds for the subsidy should be allocated from. No action was taken. Mayor Foster ordered this item tabled until the next meeting.

Item E: Discuss and Possible Action concerning Water Contract with the City of Ingleside

Mayor Foster explained the notice requirements contained in the contract with the City of Ingleside. The cost of water needs to be reviewed and justified by Ingleside. She asked Councils' opinion of continuing to pursue looking into reviewing the contract with Ingleside. Mayor Foster ordered this item tabled until the next City Council Meeting.

XI. Reports and Announcements From Council

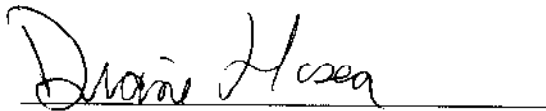
Mayor Foster's response to Alderman Morgan's question regarding Alderman addressing Council as a citizen during Citizen Participation
Mayor Foster stated TML's rule and several Court Case opinions covering the Open Meeting Act and members of Council speaking during Citizen Participation; which clarifies that for a member of Council to speak during Citizen Participation it must be on the agenda. Alderman Morgan stated that Section 551.042 of the Open Meeting Act states any one may speak during Citizen Participation. Alderman Morgan stated the San Patricio County SPCA contacted him again to report no response has been received from citizens, he will leave the information with the City Secretary.

XII. Mayor Foster adjourned the meeting at 8:12 p.m.

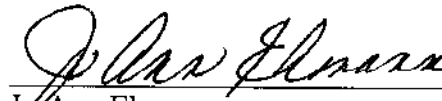
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Respectfully submitted & attested:

Approved:

A handwritten signature in cursive script, reading "Diane Hosea", written over a horizontal line.

Diane Hosea
City Secretary

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Jo Ann Ehmann
Mayor Pro Tem