The City Council of the City of Taylor met on April 14, 2011, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. Mayor Pro Tem McDonald declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:02 p.m. with the following present:

Council Member Chris Gonzales
Council Member Don Hill
Council Member Chris Osborn

Jim D. Dunaway, City Manager
Jeff Straub, Assistant City Manager
Ted Hejl, City Attorney
Susan Brock, City Clerk

INVOCATION
Jeff Straub led the group in prayer.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

CITIZENS COMMUNICATION
No citizens came forward during this time.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. MINUTES FOR MARCH 24, 2011.
2. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2011-12 ADOPTING ENGINEERING MANUAL AND MODIFYING THE SUBDIVISION ORDINANCE.

ORDINANCE NO. 2011-12

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2001-16, ADDING A CHAPTER TO ADOPT THE ENGINEER MANUAL BY REFERENCE; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

3. APPROVE PROFESSIONAL AGREEMENT WITH SLEDGE ENGINEERING, LLC TO DESIGN THE AIRPORT WEST WASTEWATER MAIN PROJECT.
Council Member Gonzales moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and Council Member Osborn seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA – REVIEW/DISCUSS & CONSIDER/ACTION:

4. PROCLAMATION: NATIONAL TELECOMMUNICATOR WEEK IS APRIL 10-16, 2011.
Mayor Pro Tem McDonald presented a proclamation to the dispatch employees recognizing National Telecommunicator Week. Colette Prikryl, Melissa Richter, and Dan Ramsey accepted the proclamation on behalf of all their coworkers.

5. PROCLAMATION: APRIL IS FAIR HOUSING MONTH.
Mayor Pro Tem McDonald publicly acknowledged that April is Fair Housing Month. Bob vanTil accepted the proclamation.

6. <u>PROCLAMATION: RELAY FOR LIFE, APRIL 15-16, 2011.</u>
   Mayor Pro Tem McDonald presented a proclamation recognizing the city participation in the Relay for Life event April 15 through April 16. Esther Walton, Starla Hall, Anita Jones, Deby Lannen, and Terri Carrizales accepted the proclamation on behalf of their team members.

7. <u>CONSIDER AWARDING CONTRACT FOR THE BULL BRANCH NORTH WASTEWATER LINE.</u>
   Bob vanTil, Director of Community Development, presented a request to consider awarding a contract for the wastewater line north of Bull Branch. Casey Sledge, consulting city engineer, reviewed the request for proposal process with Council and recommended Forsythe Brothers Infrastructure for the project.

   Council Member Hill moved to award the contract to Forsythe Brothers Infrastructure for an amount not to exceed $98,147.50 and Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

8. <u>CONSIDER APPOINTMENT OF ASSOCIATE JUDGE TO THE TAYLOR MUNICIPAL COURT OF RECORD.</u>
   Mr. Dunaway presented a request to appoint an associate judge to serve when Judge Randall Pick is absent. Mr. David Darnell has served in this capacity previously and is agreeable to continue to assist when necessary.

   Council Member Osborn moved to appoint David Darnell as an Associate Judge to the Taylor Municipal Court of Record for a two year term at the rate of $150 per appearance and Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

9. <u>CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R11-12 CREATING AN ASSISTANT FIRE CHIEF POSITION.</u>
   Chief Ekiss presented a request to Council to consider creating an assistant fire chief position. He stressed the need to provide additional departmental oversight when he is absent. The change would also provide an opportunity for advancement from within the department.

   Council Member Osborn moved to approve Resolution R11-12 as presented and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

10. <u>CONSIDER PROFESSIONAL SERVICES AGREEMENT WITH SLEDGE ENGINEERING, LLC, TO MANAGE AIRPORT RUNWAY CLEARING PROJECT.</u>
    Mr. Danny Thomas, Director of Public Works, presented a request to approve an agreement to hire Sledge Engineering, LLC to serve as project manager for the Airport Clearing grant funded project. The grant provides funds to remove penetrations identified as hazards near the airport runway.

Council Member Gonzales moved to approve the agreement with Sledge Engineering, LLC for an amount not to exceed $6500 and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

11. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R11-11 REGARDING TEMPORARY STREET CLOSURES FOR MAIN STREET ACTIVITIES AND EVENTS.
Ms. Deby Lannen, Main Street Coordinator, presented a request to consider authorizing the city manager to allow the temporary closing of specific streets during city sponsored events for 2011. Typically these events include Zest Fest and Spooktacular.

Council Member Osborn moved to approve Resolution R11-11 as presented and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

12. CONSIDER REQUEST FROM MAIN STREET ADVISORY BOARD TO SELL WINE AND BEER AND TO ALLOW CONSUMPTION THROUGHOUT THE FESTIVAL AREA FOR THE ZEST FEST, 2011.
Ms. Lannen presented a request to allow the Main Street Advisory Board to sponsor the sale of wine and/or beer at the Zest Fest as a source of revenue. The request would also allow attendees to consume alcoholic beverages sold throughout the festival area.

Council Member Osborn moved to approve the request to sell wine and beer at Zest Fest 2011 as presented and Council Member Hill seconded the motion. VOTE: Four voted AYE. Motion passed.

(Council adjourned into closed session at 6:48 p.m.)

13. EXECUTIVE SESSION I. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting under Section 551.071 of the Texas Government Code in order to meet with its City Attorney on a matter in which the duty of the Attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas authorize and allow such a closed meeting and which Rules conflict with the Texas Open Meetings Act.
    - Legal issues associated with November 23, 2010 City of Taylor Annexation

14. EXECUTIVE SESSION II. The Taylor City Council will conduct a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Government Code, and the authority contained in Section 551.087 to discuss or deliberate regarding commercial and/or financial information on a business prospect that the City of Taylor, Texas, seeks to have locate, stay, or expand in or near the City of Taylor, Texas, and with which the City of Taylor, Texas, is conducting economic development negotiations and/or deliberate the offer of financial or other incentives to the business prospect.

- Project Venture

15. EXECUTIVE SESSION III. The Taylor City Council will hold a closed executive meeting pursuant to the provisions of the Open Meetings Law, Chapter 551, Government Code, in accordance with the authority contained in Section 551.074 to discuss personnel matters.
    - Annual evaluation of City Manager, Jim Dunaway.

16. CONSIDER ACTION FROM EITHER EXECUTIVE SESSION.
    Mayor Pro Tem McDonald resumed the open meeting at 9:37 p.m. and stated that there was no action taken on any issue during either of the Executive Sessions. He expressed his and the consensus of the Council appreciation for Mr. Dunaway's efforts over the past year and offered appreciation to staff for their efforts as well.

    ADJOURN
    With no further business or action Mayor Pro Tem McDonald adjourned the meeting at 9:38 p.m.

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John McDonald, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

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Susan Brock, City Clerk