

The City Council of the City of Taylor met on October 14, 2010, at City Hall, 400 Porter St., Taylor, Texas. In the absence of Mayor Hortenstine and Council Member Hill, Mayor Pro Tem McDonald declared a quorum and called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m. with the following present:

Council Member Chris Gonzales
Council Member Chris Osborn

Jim 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. However, Mayor Pro Tem McDonald took this opportunity to welcome the students from Temple College and invited them to stay after the meeting to approach council with any questions. Council Member Osborn invited everyone to participate in the City Wide Fall Clean up on Saturday.

CONSENT AGENDA

1. MINUTES FOR SEPTEMBER 28, 2010.
2. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2010-36, SETTING THE RATE FOR THE MUNICIPAL DRAINAGE UTILITY SYSTEM.

ORDINANCE 2010-36

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR ESTABLISHING MONTHLY DRAINAGE UTILITY FEES, RATES AND CHARGES; MAKING THIS ORDINANCE CUMULATIVE OF PRIOR ORDINANCES; REPEALING ALL ORDINANCES AND PROVISIONS OF THE TAYLOR CITY CODE IN CONFLICT HERewith; PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE.

3. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2010-37 AMENDING THE ZONING ORDINANCE REGARDING THE ALLOWABLE USES WITHIN THE B2 CATEGORY

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-37

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF TAYLOR, TEXAS, AMENDING ORDINANCE 2001-17 THE TAYLOR ZONING ORDINANCE, MODIFYING SECTION 3, TABLE 3, PERMITTED USES, AND SECTION 11, DEFINITIONS; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE.

4. APPROVE ORDINANCE 2010-39 REGARDING A REQUEST FROM MR. FREDERICO BUENTELLO FOR A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 301 CR 400.

ORDINANCE NO. 2010-39

AN ORDINANCE ALLOWING A SPECIFIC USE PERMIT FOR A RECYCLING FACILITY ON PROPERTY DESCRIBED AS 301 CR 400; AND PROVIDING A SAVINGS CLAUSE

5. APPROVE ADDENDUM TO PROPERTY TAX ABATEMENT AGREEMENT WITH BURROWS CABINETS, INC.

Council Member Gonzales moved to approve the consent agenda as presented and Council Member Osborn seconded the motion. VOTE: Three voted AYE. Motion passed.

REGULAR AGENDA – REVIEW/DISCUSS & CONSIDER/ACTION:

6. CONSIDER ACCEPTING DONATION OF BOOKS FOR THE TAYLOR PUBLIC LIBRARY FROM THE WILLIAMSON COUNTY REPUBLICAN WOMEN.

Mr. Dunaway introduced Ms. Barbara Goergen, President of the Williamson County Republican Women, who presented a collection of books to be donated to the Taylor Public Library. Other members present included Loretta Patschke, Ella Jez, Jan Konarik, and Karen Adair-Murphy.

7. PROCLAMATION: OCTOBER IS FIRE PREVENTION MONTH.

Mayor Pro Tem McDonald presented a proclamation to Chief Ekiss and his crew recognizing October as Fire Prevention Month.

8. CONSIDER APPROVING INTERLOCAL AGREEMENT WITH WILLIAMSON COUNTY FOR EMERGENCY COMMUNICATIONS SERVICES.

Chief Ekiss presented a request to consider entering into an agreement with Williamson County Emergency Communications (WCEC) for all non-police related dispatch services. Mr. Patrick Cobb, Director for the WCEC, provided an overview of the program and Commissioner Ron Morrison offered his support of this type of partnership. Chief Ekiss pointed out the benefits of this type of agreement reduce response time, provide access to more advanced technology, and improve the overall Insurance Services Organization (ISO) rating for the community.

Council Member Osborn moved to approve the interlocal agreement as presented and Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Three voted AYE. Motion passed.

9. CONSIDER APPROVING RESOLUTION R10-18 ADOPTING A COUNCIL RELATIONS POLICY.

Mr. Dunaway presented a document providing general guidelines for council on how to relate to each other, the media, staff, and the public. Council Member Osborn expressed his concern that the policy presented was not enforceable and requested to continue the discussion when Council Member Hill was present.

Council Member Osborn moved to table this item until the October 21, 2010 Council Meeting and Council Member Gonzales seconded the motion. VOTE: Three voted AYE. Motion to table passed.

10. CONSIDER APPOINTMENTS TO AIRPORT ADVISORY BOARD.

Bob vanTil, Director of Community Development, presented a request for Council to consider appointing two new members to the Airport Advisory Board.

Council Member Gonzales moved to appoint Darrell Reiley and Tracy Qualls to the Airport Advisory Board to fill the two vacant positions. Council Member Osborn seconded the motion. VOTE: Three voted AYE. Motion passed.

11. EXECUTIVE SESSION. 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.

- Electric Reliability Council of Texas (ERCOT)

12. CONSIDER ACTION ON EITHER EXECUTIVE SESSION.

Due to the absence of a quorum, the executive session was not held.

ADJOURN

With no further business; Mayor Pro Tem McDonald adjourned the meeting at 7:02 p.m.

John McDonald, Mayor Pro Tem

ATTEST:

Susan Brock, City Clerk