On this the 8th day of January 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Jason Gore Richard (Rick) Morrish Bob McDaniel Eloyed Fuentes Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett Stanley Maresch Corey Van Zandt City Secretary Interim City Administrator Chief of Police IT Technician

Others present: Darlene Kelly, Robert Langston- Citizens, William Chesser-Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:33 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Rick Morrish was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

PRESENT DARLENE KELLY WITH HER PLAQUE OF APPRECIATION FOR HER SERVICE ON THE CITY COUNCIL:

Mayor Sam Mallory presented a plaque to Darlene Kelly for her 13 years and two months of service on the City Council.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Steve Nixon presented the Council with a building permit submitted by Debra Miller located at 1500 N. 15th Street. She is requesting to put camper on her property to use as an office. Steve told the Council that from his understanding there is an ordinance that prohibit someone from placing a trailer, mobile or camper on their property if it is ten years old or older. The Council discussed if this matter needed to go before the Planning & Zoning board, and no action was taken by the Council.

HEAR THE MONTHLY POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT FROM STANLEY MARESCH:

Stan Maresch presented the monthly report to show the department made 5 arrests, worked 10 accidents, wrote 31 citations and collected \$7,500 in fines. The secret Santa donated \$3,000 for Christmas and the police department distributed the funds to needy families. Stan reported that he will have the yearly report for Council to review at the next meeting. He also reported that they have found a few grants to help with the renovations at the animal shelter. A consultation person can come by to give an evaluation on the building.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy reported that he started open the gate to release water out of the old

lake into the new lake last Friday. The new last has rose 4 tenths of a foot so far. It will possibly run for six months. The street department is working on streets. He and Steve looked at replacing the carpet at the putt-putt. There was some vandalism at the city shop, so they are looking at putting up security cameras. The water contract with the City of Abilene has been signed after a visit with Robert Hanna with the City of Abilene last Thursday.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made them motion to enter into executive session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.07 Personnel matters (consider hiring a City Attorney) at 5:53 p.m. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved. The Council convened in session until 6:15 p.m. and **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to close the executive session. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to terminate the relationship with Ebb Grindstaff concerning municipal court and hire William Pat Chesser as the City Attorney for all legal matters and prosecuting attorney for municipal court at the salary of \$1,176.67 per month. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved

ADJOURN:

Second Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:18 p.m. by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallór Mayor

On this the 5th day of February 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Jason Gore Richard (Rick) Morrish Bob McDaniel Eloyed Fuentes Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett Stanley Maresch Corey Van Zandt William (Pat) Chesser City Secretary Interim City Administrator Chief of Police IT Technician City Attorney

Others present: Robert Langston, Brent Allen- Fire Department, Elaine Paske, Lucy Hutchings- City Park Board, Christi Goetz, Tyler Smith, Darlene Kelly, Bobby Jones- Citizens.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the minutes of the January 8, 2018 meeting, with noted corrections. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS: None

DISCUSS AND ACT ON A REQUEST FROM THE CITY PARK BOARD TO INSTALL PLAYGORUND EQUIPMENT AT THE GORE PARK LOCATED AT THE BRIDGE ON THE COLORADO RIVER AND HUTCHINGS AVENUE:

Elaine Paske met with the Council to request permission to put some playground equipment under a pecan tree at Gore park. She also asked if it would be possible for the City to investigate getting TX Dot to put up a sign on Hutchings Avenue giving directions to the Gore park. There are a lot of people that do not realize that the park is open to the public for their use. She also informed the Council that the Board will be selling raffle tickets for a trampoline, with the drawing to be held at the end of March on Good Friday. Some of the new Council members questioned the City's liability since this park is so close to the Colorado River. The City attorney informed them that if the City make it reasonably safe the liability insurance would cover the park. After discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion approve the requests to have City staff install playground equipment at the Gore park and talk to TX Dot about the sign. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE REGULATING ALCOHOL SALES IN THE CITY: The City Attorney presented the Council with the amended Chapter 4 Alcoholic beverage ordinance with the changes to comply with the regulations from TABC and take out the clause prohibiting the use of alcohol in the park and at the community center. He also added a clause concerning the hour of operations for the sale of alcohol in businesses. After discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to approve the ordinance with the discussed modification. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON ACCEPTING A DONATION OF PROPERTY LOCATED ON SOUTH 8TH STREET FROM SHELIA DANKWORTH. LEGAL DESCRIPTION IS ALL OF LOTS 6-10, BLOCK 41- ORIGINAL ADDITION:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to accept the donation of Lots 6-10, Block 41, Original Addition from Shelia Dankworth. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON AN ORDINANCE REGULATING MOBILE HOMES, MANUFACTURED HOMES OR TRAVEL TRAILERS, INCLUDING PROBHIBITING TRAVEL TRAILERS AND MOBILE HOMES OVER 10 YEARS OF AGE IN THE CITY LIMITS OF BALLINGER:

The City Attorney presented the Council with the amended ordinances including the mobile homes, manufactured homes and travel trailers. After discussion of the ordinance, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to approve the ordinance as presented. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Ashley Roman- 12'x32'x13' portable building- Lots 4-6, Block7- Sunnyside Addition. Located at 401 S. Woodward Avenue \$5,200.00

David Schrank- 24'x24'x10' shed- Lots 1-2, Block 6- Wilke I Addition, Located at 1007 N. 13th Street \$2,500.00

<u>Mary Davis-</u> 12'x32'x12' wood storage building- Lot 8, Block 5- Powell Addition. Located at 802 N. 13th Street \$4,000.00

Dalton & Laura Royer- 25'x35'x9' house- Lots 1-6, Block 4- Wilke Terrace Addition. Located at 300 Avenue A \$63,500.00

Debra Miller/ James Sherman building permit to put a camper at their house at 1500 N. 15th Street for an office was denied.

Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO CLOSE BALL AVENUE BETWEEN S 5^{TH} AND S 6^{TH} STREETS:

The Council and City staff discussed closing this street and putting up a

fence to secure the City patching material, caliche and other items that are stored on these lots and people are helping themselves to. The City Attorney explained that an ordinance would have to be draw up to officially close the street. The closing of the street would not prevent other property owners from getting to their property. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to table any action on this request until the next meeting. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY AND ANNUAL REPORTS FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Stan Maresch presented the Council with the monthly and annual police activity reports. The monthly reports show that the police made 9 arrests, worked 11 accidents, answered 373 calls, wrote 116 citations and collected over \$9,000 dollars in court fines for the month of January 2018. The annual report shows the department answered 4,000 calls, made 90 arrests, worked 96 accidents and wrote 847 citations. The Council accepted the reports as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy reported to the Council that with the water transfer from the old lake

to the new lake the water level for the new lake is almost full. The water department has been busy working on water leaks, and the street department has been working at the lake cleaning mesqu8te off the spillway area. There will be a meeting with Millersview Doole concerning the transfer of the 500-acre feet that the currently purchases from them. After signing the contract with the City if Abilene, the City has until July 2018 to find someone to take over the contract with Millersview Doole. Sprint has been in contact with the City concerning lease of space on the radio tower located on Sixth Street.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to enter executive session at 6:55 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to discuss acceptance of City arrestees at Runnels County jail. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved. The Council convened in executive session until 7:35 p.m., and **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to close the session. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:35 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary

On this the 26th day of February 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory
Jason Gore
Richard (Rick) Morrish
Bob McDaniel
Eloyed Fuentes

Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita ShieldsCity SeRandy EverettInterimStanley MareschChief ofCorey Van ZandtIT TechWilliam (Pat) ChesserCity Att

City Secretary Interim City Administrator Chief of Police IT Technician City Attorney

Others present: Robert Langston, Matthew Seymore, Dawni Seymore, Bob Brown, Glenda Wood, Brent McCullen, Brent Allen, Bill Adams, Bob Jones, Rick Sonneberg, Kristi Goetz, Safanie Daily- **Citizens**, Knipp Rathmeth- **Atmos**.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Bob McDaniel was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve the minutes of the February 5, 2018 meeting, with noted corrections. **Second by Comm. Richard Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Rick Sonnenberg -112 S 8th Street- met with the Council to voice his concerns with the increase for garbage collection in the business area of town. They were paying \$27.28 and with the rate increase they are now being charged \$58.24, which he feels is a little excessive. Mr. Sonnenberg was told that the City staff would investigate the matter to see if any adjustments could be made to the business accounts for garbage collections.

Matthew Seymore- 105 Sargent- met with the Council to see if there is anything that can could be done about the drainage problem around his house. He told the Council that when it rains the runoff is coming down Third Street and running in his back yard and sometimes even flooding his front yard. There is a drainage ditch in the back of his property that needs to be cleaned out. Randy told him and the Council that the City crew had looked at the area when we had the last big rain, and something does need to be done to correct the water runoff problem. There are trees that have grown up in this area, and possibly a metal drain needs to be installed. The City will first have to find out who owns the property and make plans to correct the issue.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A RESOLUTION FROM ATMOS CONCERNING THEIR RRM AGREEMENT:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign a resolution approving and adopting rate schedule "RRM" -rate review mechanism" for Atmos energy corporation. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A COMPLAINT FROM BILL & SARA ADAMS, 103 SHARP AVENUE CONCERNING THEIR GARBAGE NOT BEING PICKUP:

Bill Adams and several surrounding neighbors met with the Council to see if something could be done about the property owners at 102 Sargent parking a vehicle in the alley blocking the garbage truck access to empty the dumpster. Chief Stanley Maresch stated that the people have been warned of the matter twice. The City Attorney stated that the alleys are the same as a roadway or street. They are public assess and should not be blocked at any time. The police have the authority to write a ticket or have the vehicle towed. After discussion the Council instructed Steve Nixon to write the people a letter requesting that the vehicle be moved, or the police department will have the authority issue a ticket or tow the vehicle at the owner's expense.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE REQUEST FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH TO CONSIDER PURCHASING NEW CAR CAMERAS FOR THE PATROL CARS:

Stanley Maresch reported to the Council that he had discussed the need for new cameras in the police vehicle with Bryan Grimes last year during budget workshops. The money is allocated in this year's budget and he would like to purchase the cameras from Axon Enterprises for the total amount of \$32,345.08. The first payment would be \$16,701.00 this year and \$3,891.00 for the next four years. These cameras would allow the police department access to videos for court, the data would be stored in the cloud vs cd purchases, information can be downloaded in the office, Axon will replace equipment as needed, and they will give the officers more security. After discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to approve the purchase of the vehicle cameras for the patrol cars as presented. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER APPROVAL OF AN ORDINANCE CLOSING AND ABANDONING A SECTION OF BALL AVENUE BETWEEN SOUTH 5THNAD SOUTH 6TH STREETS:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve an ordinance to close Ball Avenue between South 5th and 6th Street for City shop storage. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Nancy Blackwell- 55'7"x 36' 5.5"x10 metal building- AB 393, Survey 364- Charles Osgood Addition. \$75,000.00

Nancy Blackwell- 25'3"x 25'3"x10" metal building- AB 393, Survey 364- Charles Osgood Addition. \$20,000.00

Carlos Martinez-20'x20'x8' Carport-Lot 1, Pt of Lot 2, Lots 15-16, Block B -Fairview Addition.1901 N 9th Street between Avenue D & E \$2,500.00 Matthew Seymore-12'x21'x8'storage building-Part of Abstract 357, Survey 366 of the Thos. Largent Survey \$2,500.00

Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved,

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy gave the Council his bi-weekly report which included closing the gate valve at the new lake. The new lake is now full, and Valley Creek is still running into the old lake. The new sewer line project on 13th Street has been installed and they will go back later and install 3 manholes on the line. The crew is still clearing brush at the new lake. The elevated water tank has been washed out and inspected by Utility Services and received a good report. Janet Wilson has agreed to run the swimming pool again this year. The plan is to open on June 1st.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:29 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with City Attorney to discuss proposed rate increases for airport hangar rentals fee

and update on proposed alternative water project. Second by Comm. Richard Morrish and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in executive session until 6:47p.m., and Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to close. Second by Richard Morrish and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Richard Morrish made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST: J. Shills

On this the 19th day of March 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Jason Gore Richard (Rick) Morrish Bob McDaniel Eloyed Fuentes Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett Stanley Maresch Corey Van Zandt William (Pat) Chesser Steve Nixon City Secretary Interim City Administrator Chief of Police IT Technician City Attorney Public Works Director

Others present: Robert Langston, Brent Allen, Christi Goetz, Jerry Irvin-Citizens, Tammie Virden-Chamber of Commerce, Ken Martin- Jacob & Martin Engineering.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:38 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Rick Morrish was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 18, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO HAVE AN ETHNIC FESTIVAL PARADE ON APRIL 28, 2018:

Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve resolution authorizing the Chamber of Commerce to have a parade on Saturday, April 28, 2018 for the start of the Ethnic Festival. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE REQUEST FOR THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO CLOSE THE 100 BLOCK OF N. 7^{TH} STREET FOR A CAR SHOW DURING THE ETHNIC FESTIVAL:

Tammy Virden met with the Council to request closing the 100 block of N.7th Street for a car show. She told the Council that they have held it on the grounds of the City hall in the past, but the Lone Star Market event will be held on the same weekend and they will need that space for parking. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to approve the request of the Chamber to close the 100 block of N. 7th Street on April 28, 2018 for a car show. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONISDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE REQUEST TO USE THE PIONNER PLAZA ON S. 7TH STREET FOR A BEER AND WINE GARDEN DURING THE ETHNIC FESTIVAL:

Tammie Virden told the Council that this is something new this year for the Ethnic festival to try and draw more people to the event. The area will be gated off and no drinks will be allowed outside of the area. The will also have security guards on duty. The area will be open from 12:00-6:00 p.m. After discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to grant the Chamber of Commerce use of the Pioneer plaza for a beer/wine garden. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON AMENDING THE CONTRACT AND FEES FOR LEASE OF AIRPORT HANGERS:

The Council reviewed the contracts for the tee and ag hangers. Comm. Rick Morrish had questions about several areas if the contracts including Section 4C which states Lessee may store up to a maximum of one (1) quart of aviation oil and or aircraft fuel not to exceed gallons inside the hangar for use in his aircraft, and only so long, as such oil and/or fuel are contained in marked, approved containers. And Section 5c which states lessee agrees that he will not store or permit the storage of any fuel or hazardous, volatile, and /or dangerous chemical on/inside the hangar space/storage area without the written consent of Lessor. He left that these two sections needed clarification. City attorney also reported that he changed the term of the contract from five years to month to month. He also added a section which would allow the City to increase the rental fees as needed. After discussion, **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to postpone any action on the hangar fees and contract until the next meeting. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the following building permit:

Ben V. Ramon- pole barn and privacy fence- Lots 1-3, Part of Lot 4- Block 8- Wilke Terrace Addition. Located at 304 Hamilton Avenue \$7,750.00 **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE MONTHLY POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT FROM CHIEF STAN MARESCH:

Stan Maresch reported that the police department made 20 arrests, worked 5 accidents, answered 292 calls, wrote 80 citations, arrested 3 for DWI and collected over \$9,543.00 in court fines. The elderly man that went missing last month has not been found. They had a lead from San Antonio, Texas but he turned out not to be Mr. Pardon. The new cameras for the vehicles will in installed April 12, 2018.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy reported that the dam at the new lake has some erosion problems and the crew has developed a project to correct the issue. This project will possibly take three to four years. The crew also has another project to fix the flooding problem on 13th Street. The sales tax has been received for the month.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to enter into executive session as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 Personnel Matters (Consider hiring part-time help to assist the animal control officer and start guideline to hire a City manager.) **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved. The Council convened in session until 6:32 p.m. and **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to close the executive session. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to authorize the police department the advertise and hire a part-time animal shelter assistant. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:34 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with City Attorney to get an update on the alternative water project from Ken Martin. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved. The Council convened in session until 7:24 p.m., and **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to close the executive session. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallon Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary

On this the 2nd day of April 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory	Mayor
Jason Gore	Commissioner # 1
Richard (Rick) Morrish	Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel	Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes	Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields	City Secretary
Randy Everett	Interim City Administrator
Stanley Maresch	Chief of Police
Corey Van Zandt	IT Technician
William (Pat) Chesser	City Attorney

Others present: Darlene Kelly, Carl Williams, Bobby Jones, Brent Allen, Robert Langston, Tommy Turney, Christi Goetz, Stephanie Daily- Citizens, Tammie Virden-Chamber of Commerce, Ken Martin- Jacob & Martin Engineering.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the minutes of the March 19, 2018 meeting. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE COMPLAINT FROM STELLA GONZALES, 405 BALL AVENUE ON THE CLOSING OF BALL AVENUE BETWEEN S. 5^{TH} AND S 6^{TH} STREETS:

Stella Gonzales met with the Council to complain about the City's plans to close Ball Avenue between S. 5th and S 6th Streets. She told the Council that she lives at 405 Ball Avenue and this is the only road that is accessible for her to travel from her house. There is another area that is supposed to be S. 5th Street but it has never been opened and she would consider that to be a trail because it is not wide enough for two vehicles to pass at one time. The City crew did work on S. 5th after she voiced her concerns about closing Ball Avenue. She understands the City's reasoning for wanting to fence in their supplies because she has seen people at the site taking things, but she would like for the Council to find a better solution and keep Ball Avenue open. She also asked the City to consider replacing the street signs in this area. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion for the City crew to remove the barricade from this area and open Ball Avenue back up for public access for further study. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE POLICE DEPARTMENT TO APPLY FOR AT NIBRS GRANT:

Stan Maresch told the City that this is a grant of \$7,500 to help maintain the security portion of the Cop Syn program that the police department runs off. This is a grant from the Governor's office and the City does not have to pay anything for the grant. After discussion, **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the resolution needed to apply for the NIBRS grant. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE REQUEST FROM BOBBY JONES FOR INQUIRIES AND INFORMATION ON THE QUALIFCATIONS FOR THR CERTIFIED POOL OPERATOR JOB:

Bobby Jones told the Council that he was back wanting information of when the certified pool operator's position was going to be advertised for bids. It was his understanding that the position comes up for review April of each year. Comm. Bob McDaniel told the Council that he did not feel that it was right for the Mayor to hold this position when the City has an employee that can do the job and it also because it is stated in Section 17.03 - Personal Interest- that no officer or employee of the City of Ballinger shall a financial interest, direct or indirectly, in any contract with the City of Ballinger. Randy told the Council that he would advertise for bid starting May 1, 2018.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON ADOPTING AN ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT PROGRAM PURSUANT TO CHAPTER 380 OF THE TEXAS LOCAL GOVERNMENT CODE:

Pat Chesser told the Council that by passing this resolution it will give the City the opportunity to help create a promotion packet to help any business that would want to come to Ballinger. The City could also help businesses that are already operating in Ballinger.

After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign a resolution adopting an Economic Development program pursuant to Chapter 380 of the Texas Local Government code. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON AMENDING THE CONTRACT AND FEES FOR AIRPORT HANGARS:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the amended contracts for Ag and Tee hangars, with approval of the fees for Tee hangers to be \$100.00 monthly and Ag hangars to be \$350.00 monthly effective immediately. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON BIDS RECEIVED FOR THE SALE OT TWO CITY LOTS LOCATED AT 805 N. 13TH STREET AND 910 N 12TH STREET:

Randy reported that we received only one bid from Mary Davis in the amount of \$400.00 for the lot located at 805 N. 13th Street. No bid was received for 910 N. 12th Street. After discussion, **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to accept from Mary Davis of \$400.00 for lot located at 805 N. 13th Street. **Second by Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS: Comm.

Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the following building permits: <u>Laura Delgado-</u>70'x15'x14' mobile home cover- Lot 5, Block 5-Powell Addition.

\$1,600.00 Rudy Amaro- 20'x20'x8' new porch- Lot 2-3, Block 22- West End Addition

\$499.00 Sallado Rangel- 16'x20'x8' carport- Lot 5, Block 8- College Heights Addition-\$500.00

Second by Comm. Bob_McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM STANLEY MARESCH:

The report was not ready to be presented to the Council.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy reported that the lake park in open. They found the water leaks at the lake park and they have been repaired. The street department has started making plans to pave 10-12 street this summer. The City needs of three employees which include someone with CDL license for the street department and someone with Class B or C operator's license for the water treatment plant and someone for street maintenance.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL:

Steve Nixon told the Council that the plumbing, electrical and building code need to be updated because the City is working with the 2003 and 2005 versions.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:32 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 consultation with City Attorney to discuss update on proposed alternative water project. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in executive session until 7:03 p.m., and Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to close. Second by Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to authorize Randy Everett and Pat Chesser to contact the City of Abilene to negotiate amending the water contract with them by taking out the 180-day limit clause. **Second by Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to enter into executive session at 7:06 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 Personnel to discuss the qualification for the City Manager's job. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in executive session until 7:31 p.m., and Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to close. Second by Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:31 p.m. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary

On this the 16th day of April 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory
Jason Gore
Richard (Rick) Morrish
Bob McDaniel
Eloyed Fuentes

Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett Stanley Maresch Corey Van Zandt Steve Nixon William (Pat) Chesser City Secretary Interim City Administrator Chief of Police IT Technician Public Director City Attorney

Others present: Rick Sonnenberg, Sam Batts, Bobby Jones, Steven Gray, Jr., Chad Hardy, Elaine Paske, Tammie Virden, Landy Cason, Brent Allen, Tommy Turney, Jr.-Citizens, Joe Spano- Republic Services.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:32 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Rick Morrish was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 2, 2018 meeting. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Chad Hardy- Met with the Council to suggest a City-wide clean-up day scheduled to clean up the town. He would like for the City workers and resident to clean up around dumpsters and in their yards of old mattress, furniture and other items to just lean up the town. Joe Spano with Republic told the Council that he would review the contract to see if there is clause that addresses this type service or to see what they could do to help.

Rick Sonnenberg- Met with the Council once again to discuss his charge for garbage collection services at his business located on 8th Street. He has asked for a roll-out cart to help reduce the fee that we are charging him. He feels this rate is excessive because of the small amount of trash that he has per week. Randy explained that we took the number of dumpsters times the rate for those dumpsters and divided it by the number of commercial customers that we are billing. This was the rate that we came up with for commercial customers that share dumpsters pay. Joe Spano said that because of the rate that Mr. Sonnenberg is being charged he feels that the rates have not been adjusted correctly. Mr. Spano told the Council that he would get his secretary to contact Bonita to see if they can get this issue resolved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO APPOINT CARRIE FLORES TO SERVE ON THE CITY PARK BOARD:

Elaine Paske met with the Council to request that Carrie Flores be appointed to serve on the City park board. Stacy Hopper is moving and has resigned. After discussion, **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to appoint Carrie Flores to the City park board. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE REQUEST FROM STAN BICKEL TO CLOSE RAILROAD AVENUE BETWEEN BROADWAY AND N. TH STREET ON APRIL 27-28, 2018 FOR HIS LONE STAR EVENT:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to approve the request from Stan Bickel to close Railroad Avenue between Broadway and 6th Street on April 27-28, 2018. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON AUTHORIZING THE MAYOR TO SIGN A CONTRACT WITH GOVERNMENT CAPITOL FOR THE PURCHASE OF 2011 INTERNATIONAL PRO STAR FOR THR STREET DEPARTMENT:

Mayor Sam Mallory reported that he, Randy Everett and Scott Watkins visited Summit Truck Company and found a 2011 International Pro Star truck for the amount of \$44,593.90. Government Capitol has stated that they would finance the truck with the first payment of \$10,220.47 being due one year from contract being signed and an annual payment of \$10,220.47 for the balance. He also told the Council haul truck that the City is currently using has over one million miles and the repairs are becoming very costly and the truck cannot the put road anymore. The City staff travels to Uvalde to pick up street material at a cost \$800.00 per load vs \$1800.00 per load if it is delivered to Ballinger. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to authorize the purchase of the 2011 International Pro Star truck for \$44,593.90 for the street department. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO CONSIDER A BID RECEIVED FOR THE SALE OF CITY PROPERTY LOCATED AT 910 N 12TH STREET:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to accept the bid from Jeff Moreland of \$400.00 for the sale of Block D-Wilke Addition locate at 910 N. 12th Street. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Ashley & Bobby Roman-16'x80' manufactured single wide home- Lots 4-6, Block7-Sunnyside Addition. Located at 401 S. Woodward Avenue\$52,000.00Timothy Richardson-8'x32'x162' deck-Lot 8, Part of Lot 9-Block 1-VilkeTerrace Addition. Located at 401 Avenue B\$500.00

Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM STANLEY MARESCH:

Ernest Juarez reported to the Council that the police department answered 360 calls, worked 4 accidents, made 12 arrest and collected \$6,504.00 in court fines for the month. The Council accepted the report as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy reported that the lake level is down 2/10th of a foot. The water

treatment plant is in the process of cleaning the membranes. The street department is zipping part of Country Club road getting it ready for paving this summer. The City received \$142,872.40 from sales tax this month. Tammie Virden presented the Council with information of the information boards that the Chamber purchased. These boards are made of heavy-duty plastic with lights and are securely designed to withhold the weather. The would like to place one in the plaza and the other one in the City park by the Indian hill. Tammie was asked to get in contact with Barry Hilliard to see if the old board at the courthouse could be replaced with one of the new ones. HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

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ADJOURN:

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Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:06 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

On this the 7th day of May 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Absent Rick Morrish Bob McDaniel Absent Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch Steve Nixon Corey Van Zandt City Secretary Interim City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police Public Works Director IT Tech

Others present: Darlene Kelly, Amiee Plant, Brandon Fulton, Chad Hardy, Steven Gray, Jr. Terry Goetz, Stella Gonzales, Pedro Tambunga- Citizens, Bob Forman- Priority Power, Christopher Lee, Taylor Borja- La Jolla.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Bob McDaniel was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 16, 2018 meeting. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST FROM CHAD MCDUFFEE TO APPROVE THE PLANS FOR THE ANNUAL JUSTIN BYLER 5K RUN EVENT:

Chad met with the Council and reported that the plans are to use the same route as last year and stay off State highways. The date for the event will be May 28, 2018. Chief Maresch said that everything was good on the police department part. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made motion to grant the permission and approve plans for the Justin Byler 5K run. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A PRESENTATION FROM BOB FORMAN WITH MP2 ENERGY:

Bob Forman met with the Council. He told the Council that the company that he was representing was actually Priority Power Management. He told the Council that they currently providing the City with electrical service, but this contract will expire in June 2018. Bryan Grimes had signed a contract with Reliant for the City effective July 2018 for the next three years. Mr. Forman presented the Council with rate sheets showing that Priority Power could save the City money if they would sign a contract with Priority Power. The contract could be for 12,24, 36, or 48 months. The possible savings could be approximately \$53,991 per year. Pat Chesser told the Council that he would like to look at the contract with Reliant to see if there is any way that the City could get out of the contract before they made any decisions. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to table this issue for further investigation by the City Attorney. **Second by Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON AN APPLICATION TO OPEN LA JOLLA GAMIMG ROOM AT 111 S.8TH STREET:

Christopher Lee met with the Council to request permission to open a gaming room in the building located at 111 S. 8th Street across the street from the post office. Bob McDaniel pointed out to the Council that the application was not complete. Mr. Lee was asked if he had any felony convictions and he stated that he did not have any charges against him. After discussion, **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to table this issue for a later date when a full Council is available. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Dawn Founier- 12'x15'x7' shed- Lot 2, Block 1- Harold Mueller Revision. Located at \$3,000.00

Sherry Miller- 10'x22'x8' storage building- Lot 6, Block 16- Original Addition. Located at 206 S. 10th Street \$2,000.00

Angela Fuentes- 12'x24'x7' storage shed- Lots 3-4, Block 4- Powell Addition. Located at 901 N. 12th Street \$500.00

Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY ACIVITY REPORT:

Stan Maresch reported that the police department made 15 arrest, worked 13 accidents, wrote 84 citations and collected \$7,475 in court fines. They had three big highway stops which resulted in getting a large quantity of drugs off the streets. He also introduced Pedro Tambunga who he hired to replaced Robert Garcia to the Council. The Council accepted the report as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy Everett reported that the street department is zipping up Country Club between 11th and 13th Streets to get ready for paving this summer. They are planning to pave at least 10 blocks of streets this summer. The lake levels are still in good shape. The water basins at the water plant have been cleaned out and everything is running good at the water plant. Atmos is still replacing gas lines in South Ballinger. We are still looking for someone with Class B or C operator's license to work at the water plant.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:17 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to hear update on alternative water resources. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:22 p.m., and Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:23 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.072 Deliberation regarding real property to discuss lease of space on the City's tower and lease of

property at 205 Sealy to build a tower.) Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:29 p.m., and Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:30 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to discuss and consider code enforcement issues. **Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:07 p.m., and Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter into executive session at 7:16 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 Personnel to discuss and consider the process to take applications for City Manager. **Second by Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:32 p.m., and Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:33 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

On this the 21st day of May 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Jason Gore Richard (Rick) Morrish Bob McDaniel Eloyed Fuentes Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett Stanley Maresch Corey Van Zandt William (Pat) Chesser City Secretary Interim City Administrator Chief of Police IT Technician City Attorney

Others present: Carl Williams, Brent Allen, Christi Goetz, Brandon Fulton, Allen Cole, Aimee Plant, Paul McDaniel, Skylar Plant, Robert Langston- Citizens, Elaine Paske- City Park Board.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Rick Morrish was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 7, 2018 meeting. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS: None

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE REQUEST OF THE CITY PARK BOARD TO USE THE CITY PARK FOR A BAR-B-QUE COOK-OFF ON JUNE 30, 2018:

Elaine Paske met with the Council to see if the Park Board could have

permission to use the city park on June 30, 2018. The Chamber of Commerce will not be doing anything in the park this year and the Board was approached by a couple that told them that people were still interested in having the cook-off and was wondering if the Park Board would sponsor the event. They plan to have a washer contest and the bounce house from the fire department. The park will not be blocked off and people can come enjoy the events and the pool as they please. Mrs. Paske asked for extra patrol from the police department. The Council and Mrs. Paske talked about closing the center road off for safety. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to approve the request of the Park Board to use the city park on June 30, 2018 for a bar-b-que cook-off. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON AN AMENDMENT TO THE PERSONNEL POLICY TO ADDRESS EMPLOYEE SOCIAL MEDIA POLICY:

Pat Chesser reported to the Council that he and Randy looked over the

proposed social media policy. They feel that this needs to be added to the personnel policy to cover any issue that may come up. The policy states that employee's use of social media, both on or off duty must not interfere with or conflict with the employee's duties or job performance, reflect negatively on the City or violate any City of Ballinger policies, including the City of Ballinger Personnel Policies or Procedures. After discussion, **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to approve the social media police as presented and make it a part of the personnel policy handbook. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Rick & Martha Rose-20'x25'x10' metal building- Lots 6-7, Block 103- FirstRailroad Addition. Located at 300 N. 11th Street\$8,000.00Rumaldo Jaloma, Sr.-24'x24'X8' carport- Lot 3, Block 124- First RailroadAddition. Located at 505 N. 3rd Street.\$1,000.00

Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy reported that the auditors were here last week. They had an exit review with him and Bonita and felt that everything was in good shape. There were a few things that Mrs. Fullerton would like to see the City staff do different but nothing serious; such as the purchase orders need to be signed by department heads, attach check stubs to all invoices and continue to work on the separation of duties in the office. The street department is still working on getting about 10-11 blocks of streets ready for paving. The water department has been working on more water leaks because of the shifting of the grounds due to the dry weather.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:12 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney (Discuss and consider two leases with Sprint.) **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:11 p.m., and **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to close the executive session. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:12 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to hear update on alternative water resources. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:24 p.m., and Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:24 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 Personnel matter (Discuss and consider the process to take applications for a City Manager.)

The Council convened in session until 7:14 p.m., and **Comm. Rock Morrish** made the motion to close the executive session. **Second by Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to advertise for the City Manger position effective June 1, 2018 in the Runnels County Register, Ballinger web site and TML Career center. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:15 p.m. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

On this the 4th day of June 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Jason Gore Richard (Rick) Morrish Absent Eloyed Fuentes Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch Corey Van Zandt Steve Nixon City Secretary Interim City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police IT Tech Public Works Director

Others present: Robert Langston, Brent Allen, Darlene Kelly, Stephanie Daily, Stella Gonzales, Reba Bonner- Citizens, Joe Borja- La Jolla.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Rick Morrish was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 21, 2018 meeting. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

THE CITY OF BALLINGER MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON AN APPLICATION TO OPEN LA JOLLA GAMING ROOM AT 111 S. 8TH STREET:

Jorge Borja met with the Council to give them some updated information on the La Jolla gaming room that he is planning to open at 111 S. 8th Street He told the Council that they had plans to sell novelty and gift type items in the store along with the gaming machines. They only hire people that would be able to pass drug tests and they focus on running a clean and respectful business. After discussion, Sam Mallory told Mr. Borja that his application was not complete and no background information has been presented to the Council therefore no action will be taken on the application can be taken at this time.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Larry Holder-24'x23.5'x10' carport extension- Tract 1, Block 36-West End Addition. Located at 1600 N. 8th Street \$900.00

Joe & Linda Jones- 24'x26'x6' metal carport- Lots 1-2, Block 6- Miller Addition. Located at 609 N. 11th Street \$3,000.00

Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

Pat Chesser, City Attorney reported to the Council that he is still in the negotiation process with Sprint and therefore the contracts are not ready for the Council to act on them. After discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to table any action on the contracts with Sprint. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Chief Stanley Maresch reported to the Council that they made 10 arrests, worked 8 accidents, issued 67 citations and collected over \$8,000.00 in court fines. The Council accepted the report as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy Everett reported that the lake levels are still good. The street department is still working on street improvements. They have set the date of July 15th to start paving. The swimming pool and putt-putt opened on June 1st. Randy has talked with representatives from Tx-Dot and someone will be in Ballinger to discuss changes that need to be made to the speed bump on 8th street at the railroad tracks with Randy Everett, Steve Nixon and Scott Watkins.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to enter into executive session at 5:48 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to review and consider the amended contracts with Chamber of Commerce, Millersview Doole and City of Abilene. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:38 p.m., and Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the amended contract with the Chamber of Commerce and authorized Rick Morrish and Pat Chesser to meet with Tammie Virden to discuss the changes to the contract. **Second by Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

No action was taken on the contracts with City of Abilene and Millersview-Doole.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:40 p.m. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

On this the 18th day of June 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam MalloryMayorJason GoreCommisRichard "Rick" MorrishCommisBob McDanielCommisEloyed FuentesCommis

Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett William "Pat" Chesser Christopher Sargent Steve Nixon Corey Van Zandt City Secretary Interim City Administrator City Attorney Police Sergeant Public Works Director IT Tech

Others present: Marina De Hoyas, Sylvia Arteaga, Elaine Paske, Ryan Koenig, Thomas Ammons, Debby Legg, Queba James, Robert Langston, Joann Hensley, Stella Gonzales, Christi Goetz- Citizens, Joe Borja- La Jolla, Bob Forman-Priority Power.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Bob McDaniel was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 4, 2018 meeting. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Jean Hensley and Queba James met with the Council and presented them with a plaque of History Heritage Hospitality art gill that was painted on the Midwest Art Gill building located at Strong Avenue. The plaque shows some of the older homes, courthouse, Carnegie library, city hall. The Council thanked the ladies for the very beautiful plaque.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST FROM ELAINE PASKE WITH THE CITY PARK BOARD TO CONSIDER NAMING THE MIDDLE STREET IN THE CITY PARK:

Elaine Paske met with the Council to ask for permission to start a project to come up with a street name for the middle road in the City park. Someone brought it to her attention and suggested it to be named after a veteran of Ballinger. Commissioner Bob McDaniel told Elaine that he would like for the name of Louis Trigg's, Jr. to also be considered. Mr. Triggs worked in the park for many years and kept the park in very good condition all those years. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to approve the request from Elaine Paske to start a project to come up with a name for the middle road in the City park. **Second by Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

Elaine Paske also requested permission to borrow 4 tables and 15 chairs for the Bar-b-que cook-off in the park this weekend.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A PROPOSAL FROM BOB FORMAN WITH PRIORITY POWER:

Bob Forman presented the Council with a new proposal showing rate for electricity at \$0.03360 per kwh for 24 months, \$0.03293 for 36 months, \$0.3241 for 48 months, \$0.03233 for 60 months and \$0.03348 for 72 months. He told the Council that the rates are at an all-time low at this time and he feels that the City should take advantage of the rates. The rates that he is showing is not the rate that the City will receive, but once the contract is signed the locked in rate should not be too much different. After discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to authorize Randy Everett to sign a contract with TXU Energy for 36 months effective July 1, 2021. **Second by Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST TO APPROVE A PRESENTATION FROM STUDENTS WITH THE TEXAS MIDWEST COMMUNITY NETWORK FOR PROPOSED IMPROVEMENT TO THE CITY PARK:

Marina De Hoyas met with the Council to get approval of an improvement project that she and two other students are proposing to do as a Texas Community Network grant. They would like to place outdoor exercise equipment in the area across the street from the swimming pool in the city park. They would also like to paint areas of the park that need a facelift. This would include the Indian hill, the awnings over the picnic table at the camper spaces, the entry way and other equipment that needs it. They would also like to put some type of the awing's over the place ground equipment. They propose to have fund raisers to cover the cost for the improvements of the equipment and asked the City to furnish the paint. After discussion, **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to approve the proposed improvement project for the city park with the City furnishing the paint and brushes needed for the painting part of the project. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF CONTRACT WITH RUNNELS COUNTY FOR JOINT ELECTION SERVICES:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve the joint election contract with Runnels County for the November 6, 2018 election. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF AMENDING THE GAMING ORDINANCE:

The Council reviewed the amended gaming ordinance that was presented by the City Attorney. One of the clauses that was added was no cash can be paid as an award for winning on the gaming machine. A clause for hours of operation was added and a clause a licensed security guard would have to be present during hours of operation. A denial clause was added. A license fee of \$250.00 was added. A clause of the renewal license was added. After review of all the changes, **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to table approval of the gaming ordinance until the next meeting. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the following building permits: <u>Jimmy L. Bryant-</u>18'x21'x7' carport- Lot 7, Block 19- Wilke III Addition. Located at 1206 N. 6th Street \$1,847.10

Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy reported that the speed bump at the tracks on 8th Street will be fixed on Tuesday. The 6 feet tall weeds on the property around the tracks will be mowed in two weeks. The City crew is still working on the drainage problem around 2nd Street and Sargent Avenue. The lake level is still holding at 16.66 feet. Lake lvie is down to 17%. He will have worksheets to start budget workshop at the next meeting. HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FORM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter into executive session at 7:38 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to hear update on alternative water contract with the City of Abilene). **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 8:05 p.m., and **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to close the executive session. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to authorize the City Attorney to met with the City of Abilene to negotiate the terms of the water supply contract. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

On this the 9th day of July 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory	Mayor
Jason Gore	Commissioner # 1
Richard "Rick" Morrish	Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel	Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes	Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch Corey Van Zandt City Secretary Interim City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police IT Tech

Others present: Doug Robertson, Dan Farmer, Charlie Reichenan, Brent Allen, Darlene Kelly, Wagner Byler, Robert Langston, Stella Reyes, Reba Bonner-**Citizens,** Christopher Lee Joe Borja- La Jolla

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Rick Morrish was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 18, 2018 meeting. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS: None

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST TO CLOSE 12TH STREET BETWEEN AVENUE E AND WILLOW BROOK ADDITION:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to table any action on the closing of the section of 12th Street between Avenue E and Willow Brook for further information. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE QUARTERLY TOURISM REPORT FROM TAMMIE VIRDEN:

Tammie Virden presented the Council with the following report:

2nd Quarter Hotel/motel Report July 2018 Beginning balance + \$27,664.34 1st Quarter payment from City +\$ 6,976.18 Marketing Material Mail outs for upcoming 43rd Texas -\$594.51 Sate Festival Marketing Outdoor Message Board -\$4,048.28 Advertising -\$ 222.00 Utilities - \$ 208.97 - \$2,108.57 Payroll Total expense \$7,173.33

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST FROM DAVID COWART TO PARTNER WITH THE CITY FOR SIDEWALK REPAIRS ON THE CORNER OF 9TH STREET AND HUTCHINGS ON THE 9TH STREET SIDE:

David Cowart would like to make improvements to the sidewalk by his building on the 9th Street side. He has requested that the City tear up and remove the concrete and he would pay for a new sidewalk to be replaced. After discussion, **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to enter into a partnership for the improvements of the 9th street sidewalk beside the building located at 818 Hutchings Avenue. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS: None

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Stanley Maresch reported that the department worked 10 arrest, 5 accidents, 348 calls, wrote 52 citations and collected \$5,200 in court fines. The Council requested that his report show the mileage and citations by officer. They would also like the mileage for the animal control vehicle on the report. The Council accepted the report as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy reported to the Council that the City went into Stage II of the drought contingency plans. These plans allow residents to water every five days according to the last number of their house address between the hours of 5pm and 10 am. The water level was 16.60 feet and has dropped to 16.52 feet. The street department plans to start paving streets on July 24th. The water department had another water leak on 8th & Murrell Avenue and he has told them to make plans to replace the line.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The Council agreed to start budget workshop next Monday, July 23rd.

THE BALLINGER CITY COUNCIL SHALL MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY (APPLICATION OF CHRISTOPHER LEE TO OPERATE A GAME ROOM) (CITY GAMING ORDINANCE) (INVESTGATION OF LOCAL GAMING ESTABLISHMENT IN THE CITY).

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter into executive session at 5:53 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to discuss application from Christopher Lee, Amended Gaming ordinance and investigation of local gaming establishments in the City. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:44 p.m., and Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to deny the application for La Jolla to open a gaming room at 111 S. 8th Street. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve the amended gaming ordinance as presented. **Second by Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE BALLINGER CITY COUNCIL SHALL MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY (DISCUSSION OF WATER SUPPLY CONTRACTS WITH THE CITY OF ABILENE (INCLUDING INFRASTRUCTURE AGREEMENT) AND MILLERSVIEW-DOOLE WSC:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to enter into executive session at 7:04 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to hear update on alternative water resources. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:15 p.m., and Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the water supply contract and infrastructure agreement with the City of Abilene and authorize signature. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

No action was taken on the amendment to the water supply contract with Millersview-Doole WSC.

THE BALLINGER CITY COUNCIL SHALL MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 CONSULTATION WITH CITY ATTORNEY (CONTRACT FOR THE MANAGEMENT OF HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX FUNDS WITH THE BALLINGER CHAMBER OF COMMERCE).

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to enter into executive session at 7:15 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to review contract for management of hotel occupancy tax funds with the Ballinger Chamber of Commerce. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:42 p.m., and Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

THE BALLINGER CITY COUNCIL SHALL MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY TEXAS GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS (CONSIDER LOOKING AT APPLICATIONS FOR CITY MANAGER).

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to enter into executive session at 7:56 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 Personnel matters to consider looking at applications for City Manager. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 8:36 p.m., and Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:36 p.m. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

On this the 16th day of July 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in special called session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Jason Gore Richard "Rick" Morrish Bob McDaniel Eloyed Fuentes Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch City Secretary Interim City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police

Others present: Whitney Shorb, Susan Hallford, Marcus Jones, Chad Hardy, Steven Gray, Angela Hoyle, Lanny Hoyle, Paul McDaniel, Skylar Plant, Aimee Plant, Kristi Goetz, Cindy Spreen, Brent Allen- Citizens, Bill Hancock-Ballinger Ledger.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON APPROVAL OF AN AUDIT OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE BOOKS: Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion for the City to absorb the expense of having the Chamber of Commerce's book audited. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO APPOINT TWO MEMBERS TO SERVE ON THE HOT FUND COMMITTEE THAT REVIEWS EXPENDITURES OF HOTEL OCCUPANCY TAX FUNDS:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to appoint Rick Morrish and Dan Patel to serve on the HOT fund committee for the City of Ballinger. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY APPROVE THE FIRST AMENDMENT TO THE RAW WATER SUPPLY AGREEMENT WITH MILLERSVIEW-DOOLE WATER SUPPLY CORPORATION AND AUTHORIZE THE MAYOR'S SIGNATURE:

The amendment would reduce the City's obligation to pay for 500 acres feet of raw water from Millersview Doole per year to 360 acres feet per year. After discussion, **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to approve the amendment and authorize the Mayor's signature on the amended agreement. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

THE BALLINGER CITY COUNCIL SHALL MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS (EVALUATION OF ECONOMIC DEVELOPMENT COORDINATOR):

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter into executive session at 5:42 p.m. as authorized by Government Code, Section 551.074 personnel matters to consider evaluation of the Economic Development Coordinator. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:38 p.m., and Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

THE BALLINGER CITY COUNCIL SHALL MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS (EVALUATION OF THE CHIEF OF POLICE).

Comm. Bob Jason Gore made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:39 p.m. as authorized by Government Code, Section 551.074 personnel matters to consider evaluation of the Chief of Police. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:32 p.m., and Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROMEXECUTIVE SESSION: None

THE BALLINGER CITY COUNCIL SHALL MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.071 CONSULTATION WITH ATTORNEY TO DISCUSS DENIAL OF APPLICATION FILED BY CHRISTOPHER LEE FOR LICENSE TO OPERATE A SWEEPTAKES VIDEO GAME ROOM).

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to enter into executive session at 7:33 p.m. as authorized by Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to discuss denial of application filed by Christopher Lee. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:59 p.m., and **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to close the executive session. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION. COUNCIL MAY TAKE ANY ACTION NECESSARY FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION, INCLUDING STATING AND/ OR CLARIFYING THE GROUNDS FOR DENIAL OF THE APPLICATION FOR A LICENSE FILED BY CHRISTOPHER LEE TO OPERATE A SWEEPSTAKE VIDEO GAME ROOM:

Stan Maresch reported the following information on the La Jolla Redemption Center Investigation. As you know, the Interim City Manager asked that I conduct an investigation into the application filed by Christopher Lee to operate a sweepstakes video game room under the business name of La Jolla. As you are aware, my investigation revealed that Christopher Lee had operated the La Jolla Redemption Center, located at 4202 Sherwood Way, San Angelo, Texas. In 2016, La Jolla was issued a cease and desist letter because the San Angelo police department had conducted an undercover investigation and determined that the business was operating an illegal gambling operation. The business apparently shut down for a period of time following the cease and desist letter. In early March 2017, the San Angelo police department began another undercover investigation into La Jolla's business practices. The investigation again revealed that La Jolla was violating the gambling laws of the State of Texas. A search warrant was issued, and all the gambling equipment was seized from the premises. The investigation and seizure of the gambling equipment, cash and other items from the business ultimately resulted in the forfeiture of the equipment seized. Ultimately, the District Attorney and La Jolla entered into a settlement agreement agreeing to forfeit the seized equipment, cash and other items in exchange for no prosecution and La Jolla's agreement to not conduct illegal gambling operations in San Angelo. Based upon the foregoing, I recommend that you deny the application for a license to operate a sweepstakes video game room filed by Christopher Lee on the following grounds pursuant to Section 5-36 of the City's gaming ordinance: 5-36, paragraph (1) the applicant, Christopher Lee, is not a person of good moral character as shown by the operation of an illegal gaming operation in the City of San Angelo; and

5-36, paragraph (2) the applicant has had a license revoked during the past two (2) years as shown by the investigation discussed above and the seizure of equipment.

5-36, paragraph (3) the applicant has had a license denied during the past 12 months as shown by the investigation as shown by the investigation discussed and the seizure of equipment.

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to accept the recommendation of the Chief Stanley Morrish and deny the application of Christopher Lee to operate a sweepstake video game room in Ballinger on the grounds stated by the Chief of Police as stated in Section 5:36, paragraphs (1), (2) and (3) in the City Code of Ordinances. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

THE BALLINGER CITY COUNCIL SHALL MEET IN EXECUTIVE SESSION AS AUTHORIZED BY GOVERNMENT CODE, SECTION 551.074 PERSONNEL MATTERS TO REVIEW APPLICATIONS RECEIVED FOR THE **CITY MANAGER'S POSITION:**

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to enter into executive session at 8:46 p.m. as authorized by Government Code, Section 551.074 personnel matters to consider applications received for the City Manager's position. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 9:07 p.m., and Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action

THE CITY COUNCIL WILL MEET IN BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION TO **DISCUSS THE 2019 BUDGET:**

The Council met in budget workshop for the 2019 fiscal year until 10:28 p.m.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 10:28 p.m. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

> Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

On this the 23rd day of July 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory	
Jason Gore	
Richard "Rick" Morrish	
Bob McDaniel	
Eloyed Fuentes	

Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields	
Randy Everett	
Absent	
Stanley Maresch	

City Secretary Interim City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police

Others present: Paul Thomas, Gayla Fullerton-Auditors, Bill Hancock-Runnels County Register.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Bob McDaniel was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve the minutes of the July 9, and July 16, 2018 meeting. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE PRESENTATION OF THE AUDIT FOR 2017 FISCAL YEAR FROM GAYLA FULLERTON:

Mrs. Fullerton presented the Council with the audit for the 2017 fiscal year. She reported to the Council that everything looked good compared to last year. The auditor's recommendation from the audit include the following:

- The City did not have a master list of assets and values. We recommend the City create an accurate list of all assets, the date acquired, purchase price and locations/use.
- The balance of customer deposits being held by the city water department is not current. We recommend these holdings be adjusted accordingly.
- There are old outstanding checks in bank accounts. We recommend all checks outstanding over one year be voided and reissued if needed.
- The water and sewer department have many old outstanding accounts receivable.
 We recommend the water department write off all outstanding accounts receivable more than two years old and try to collect outstanding account quarterly.
- In the opinion of the auditor, it is imperative that the city staff be cross trained in financial management including payroll, cash balancing, general ledger entries and monthly balancing of bank accounts.

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to accept the audit as presented. Second by Comm./ Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST TO HAVE A VETERAN'S DAY PARADE ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 10, 2018:

The parade will be on Saturday November 10, 2018. Mrs. VanZandt as replied that the route for the parade will be the same as in the past. After discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to approve the request to have a Veteran's day parade on November 10, 2018. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST TO ACCEPT A WARRANTY DEED FOR THE PROPERTY LOCATED AT 905 SEALY AVENUE:

Steve Nixon informed the Council that this is a piece of property located in the flood plain section of town. The property was put up for auction about a month ago and no bids were received. The property then become owned by all taxing entities and they usually all approve to deed the property over to the City. The City must approve taking the property and all other entities must agree to sign the warranty deed over to the City. After discussion, **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to authorize accepting the property located at 905 Sealy Avenue. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON SETTING A DATE FOR A CITY-WIDE CLEAN-UP:

The Council discussed having a city-wide cleanup on October 20, 2018 to clean up the town. Randy has had people to approach him that are willing to volunteer their time to help. The Republic contract states they furnish two dumpsters free of charge and all other dumpster would be billed to the City. This would be put in the paper and on the City's website to get the word out to the public. The staff would also like to see if this can be done at least twice a year. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to table any action on this issue for more information and discuss the item again at the August 6, 2018 meeting. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Owen Hethcock- 3 -25'x40'x10' convex boxes in back- Lot 6-8, Block 5- Original Addition. Located 500 Hutchings Avenue \$7,000.00

Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

The street department will start paving a few blocks that they have prepared on Tuesday morning. The water department will be replacing an eight inch on Murrell Avenue between 8th and 10th and 9th and 10th streets to loop the dead line on Murrell. The painting project in the city park worked out great and everything looks great. They ran out of paint for the Indian hill and will finish it later.

REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to enter into executive session at 5:54 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to hear update on alternative water resources. **Second by Comm. Rick Sonnenberg** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:49 p.m., and Comm. Rick Sonnenberg made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

THE CITY COUNCIL SHALL MEET IN BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION TO DISCUSS THE BUDGET:

The Council worked on the 2019 proposed budget. Randy was asked to

make the changes they discussed and present a cleaned proposal for consideration.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:14 p.m. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary

STATE OF TEXAS)()(COUNTY OF RUNNELS)()(CITY OF BALLINGER)()(

On this the 6th day of August 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory	Mayor
Jason Gore	Commissioner # 1
Richard "Rick" Morrish	Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel	Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes	Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett Absent Stanley Maresch City Secretary Interim City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police

Others present: Whitney Shorb, Cindy Johnson, Kristi Goetz, Darlene Kelly, Reba Bonner, Stella Gonzales- Citizens, John Hancock- Runnels County Register.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the minutes of the July 23, 2018 meeting. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS: None

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTIONTO CALL THE CITY COUNCIL ELECTION FOR SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICT #3 AND SINGLE MEMBER DISTERICT # 4 SEATS FOR NOVEMBER 6, 2018:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to pass an order to call the City Council election on November 6, 2018 for Single member districts seats three (3) and four (4). **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

REMOVE FROM THE TABLE FOR THE CITY COUNCIL TO CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO SET A DATE FOR A CITY- WIDE CLEAN-UP:

Randy Everett reported to the Council that he spoke to Joe Spano about the City-wide clean-up. Mr. Spano said that Republic will provide 2-30-yard dumpsters free, and if we need more it will be an extra cost of \$231.00 plus \$45 per ton haul rate per dumpster. They set the date for October 20, 2018.

After discussion, **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to approve the clean-up date of October 20, 2018 and order one extra dumpster. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST FROM FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS TO INSTALL. WIRELESS TOWER ON THEIR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 809 N. 8TH STREET:

Steve Nixon reported that Frontier Communications has approached him about their request to install a wireless communication tower on their property. The tower would be 120' and the ordinance as written only allows for a 35' tower in residential areas. A specific use permit would have to be issued allow the variance. This request would have to be presented to the Planning & Zoning Board and resident within a 200' radius would have to be notified of the request giving them the opportunity to voice their opinions on the request. After discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to table the issue and have it presented to the Planning & Zoning Board. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Steve Nixon presented the Council with the following building permit: <u>Deborah McDaniel</u>- carport at 503 N. 11th Street. He also reported that where she

wanted to set the carport would not allow for the five (5) feet side set back from the neighbor's property. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to table the building permits request and present the it to the Planning & Zoning Board for recommendation. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM STANLEY MARESCH:

Stanley presented the monthly activity report for the police department which included them working 59 citations, answering 325 calls, working 7 accidents, and making 8 arrest. The patrol vehicles were driven for a total of 6,000 miles. Chief Maresch report that the activity for the animal control vehicle will be added to the report starting December 2018.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy reported that the Lake is down 2 ½ feet and Lake Ivie has only 14% of water. The drought condition is at the moderate state. The City went into the Stage 1 drought contingency plan effective August 1, 2018. This stage allows the residents to water every five days according to the last number of their house address. The street department finished the paving project for the year. They paved a total of 10 blocks. The swimming pool closed on August 5, 2018 and will be opened until the 12th of August for private parties only.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to enter into executive session at 5:54 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 Personnel Matters (Consider reviewing the applications received for the City Manager's position and hear update on job description for Economic Development Coordinator). **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:45 p.m., and Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action was taken on the Economic Development Coordinator's job description.

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to call a Special called meeting for Saturday, August 11, 2018 at 9:00 a.m. to interview five (5) applicants for the City Manager position. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL WILL MEET IN BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED 2019 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET:

Randy Everett presented the Council with the revised budget that was

presented to Bonita Shields, City Secretary on August 1, 2018. The revised budget includes a 3% salary adjustment for all employees, 9% cost increase for full time employee's health insurance cost, 3% cost adjustment for garbage collections, adjustments to the rates for end of year adjustments for employees, 19% cost adjustment for vehicle, property and worker's compensation insurance. The fire department was at the meeting to clarify their needs for the department. After discussion Mayor Mallory requested that \$30,000 allocated in previous budget be put back into the fire department. There was also discussion about the salary of several employees. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to approve the use of the tax rate of \$0.532428/\$100 for the 2019 fiscal year budget. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and the motion carries with Commissioner Jason Gore, Rick Morrish, Bob McDaniel Eloyed Fuentes and Mayor Sam Mallory voting "Aye" and No one voting "Nay".

ADJOURN:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:08 p.m. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary

STATE OF TEXAS)()(COUNTY OF RUNNELS)()(CITY OF BALLINGER)()(

On this the 11th August 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in special called session at 9:00 a.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory	
Jason Gore	
Richard "Rick" Morrish	
Bob McDaniel	
Eloyed Fuentes	

Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields	City Secretary
William "Pat" Chesser	City Attorney

Others present: five applicants for City Manager position.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 9:01 a.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to enter into executive session at 9:06 a.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.072 Personnel matters (Interview five applicants for the City Manager job). **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 4:06 p.m., and Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action

ADJOURN:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 4:06 p.m. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary On this the 20th day of August 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory	Mayor
Jason Gore	Commissioner # 1
Richard "Rick" Morrish	Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel	Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes	Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch City Secretary Interim City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police

Others present: Keith Simpson- Lake Ivie Baptist Association, Brent Allen, Robert Langston, Kristi Goetz, Darlene Kelly- Citizens.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Rick Morrish was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the minutes of the August 6 and August 11, 2018 meetings, with noted corrections. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS: None

THE CITY OF BALLINGER MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST, FROM KEITH SIMPSON TO PURCHASE OR RENT THE BULDING LOCATED AT 607 STRONG AVENUE:

Keith Simpson, Ministry Director for Lake Ivie Baptist Association met with the Council to see if the Council would be interested in selling or renting the building located at 607 Strong Avenue. The building was purchase about six years ago for the relocation of the police department and City judge offices. The City had the foundation of the building repaired. They also put a new roof on the building. Mr. Simpson told the Council that they would like to bring their ministry to Runnels County and are interested in renting or purchasing the building. If the Council was interested in doing something with the building to contact him, because they would need two or three months to get the finance together. After discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to table this issue for further information to be received on the City's plans for the building. **Second by Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY OF BALLINGER MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON BIDS RECEIVED FOR PEST CONTROL SERVICES FOR ALL CITY BUILDINGS:

Mayor Mallory opened the only bid that we received from Pest Control of San Angelo, Texas. The bid read as follows to inspected and spray for pest;

City Hall Police/Fire Department building \$40.00 quarterly \$35.00 quarterly Fire Department Annex Community center building Water Treatment Plant buildings Recycling building Animal Control building \$40.00 quarterly \$40.00 monthly \$40.00 quarterly \$35.00 quarterly \$40.00 quarterly

The Mayor told the Council that Orkin presently takes care of the building for the prices of \$45.00 monthly for the community center, \$68.00 quarterly for City hall, \$60.48 quarterly for the Police/fire department building and \$45.00 quarterly for the recycling building. After discussion, **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to accept the bid as presented from Bug Express. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. made the motion to approve the following building permits:

<u>Runnels County Appraisal District-</u> 20'x80'x16' commercial canopy, watershed and guttering- Lot 1-5, Block 20- Original Addition. Located at 505 Hutchings Avenue \$8,000.00

<u>E.J Bender-</u> 18'x34'x12' boat storage- Lot 8, Part of Lot 9, Block 2- Wilke Terrace Addition. Located at 401 Avenue A \$11,000.00

Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY OF BALLINGER MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON THE DEMOLITION OF THE FOLLOWING PROPERTY: A. Lisa Villapanda-1105 N.13th Street- Lots 3-4, Block 5- Wilke I Addition B. Misti Rose-1308 N. 7th Street- Lot 7, Block 1-Terry II Addition

Steve Nixon told the Council that these property owners were sent notices that their property was in substandard condition. These two houses were destroyed in fires and need to be demolished and property cleaned up. City Attorney questioned if the City had received a signed agreement from the property owners. After discussion, **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to table this issue for further information. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy report that the Quarry Creek caught 7/10 foot of water from the recent rains. The City new lake level is 1666.8 and we are in good shape for water. The weekly water report shows Ballinger to be in a moderate drought range. The street department completed the paving project for the year.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:02 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 Personnel Matters (Deliberate on applications received for the City Manager's position and Job duties for Economic Development Coordinator, 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to discuss legal issues regarding proposed amended contract with Millersview Doole and Agreement between Ballinger Chamber of commerce and City regarding shared employee, and Section 551.072 Deliberation regarding real property (Discuss bidding on Lots 6-7, Block 22- Original Addition in a tax sale on September 28, 2018). **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:05 p.m., and Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to offer the City Administrator's position to Tommy Turney, Jr. at an annual salary of \$70,000 with a six-month probation, use of City vehicle and monthly phone stipend. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and the motion carries with all Commissioners voting "Aye" and the Mayor voting "Nay".

No action was taken on the amendment of the water supply contract with Millersview-Doole contract.

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the job description for the Economic Development Coordinator and the agreement between the City of Ballinger and Ballinger Chamber of Commerce for a shared employee. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to authorize the City staff to bid on Lots 6-7, Block 22- Original Addition at a tax sale on September 28, 2018 in accordance with discussion in executive session. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL WILL MEET IN BUDGET WORKSHOP TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED 2019 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET:

The Council reviewed the revised budget as presented by Randy Everett.

The Council also reviewed the police department budget with Chief Stanley Maresch. After discussion the Council requested that the changes be made accordingly.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 8:31 p.m. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary On this the 4th day of September 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Jason Gore Richard "Rick" Morrish Bob McDaniel Eloyed Fuentes Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Randy Everett William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch Steve Nixon City Secretary Interim City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police Public Works Director

Others present: Darlene Kelly, Mary Book, Carol Stokes, Bryan Davenport, Randy Turner, Ginger Turner, Robert Langston, Dustin Kresta, Brent Allen, Kristi Goetz- Citizens.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Bob McDaniel was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the minutes of the August 1 and August 20, 2018 meetings, with noted corrections. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

OPEN A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED CITY TAX RATE FOR 2018:

Sam Mallory opened the public hearing at 5:30 p.m. The Mayor read the notice as follow:

The proposed tax rate of \$0.532428/100 will raise more total property tax than last year's budget by \$63,952 or 7.70%, and of that amount \$164 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year. The proposed use of the increase in total tax revenue is for insurances in insurance cost.

Mary Book was present at the meeting to question the tax rate. She was told that the City is proposing to use the same tax rate as last year and the increase in valuation of her property has to be handled with the Runnels County Appraisal office. There were no other comments and the Mayor closed the public hearing at 5:47 p.m.

VISITORS: None

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST FROM STAN BICKEL TO CLOSE RAILROAD AVENUE BETWEEN BROADWAY AND 6TH STREET FOR HIS OCTOBER LONE STAR MARKET TO BE HELD ON OCTOBER 26-27, 2018:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to grant Stan Bickel the request to close Railroad Avenue between Broadway and 6th Street on October 26-27, 2018. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING & ZONING BOARD CONCERNING THE VARIANCE REQUEST FROM FRONTIER COMMUNICATIONS TO INSTALL A WIRELESS TOWER ON THEIR PROPERTY LOCATED AT 809 N. 8TH STREET:

Steve Nixon told the Council that the Planning & Zoning Board met to discuss this request. There were several residents that opposed the request for Frontier Communications to install a wireless 375' tower on the property located at 809 N. 8th Street at the Planning and Zoning board and the Council meeting. Steve told the Council that a representative from Frontier contacted him requesting to withdraw their request because they were looking at other options. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to accept the action of the Planning & Zoning Board to deny the variance request. **Second by Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING & ZONING BOARD CONCERNING THE VARIANCE REQUEST FROM DEBORAH MCDONALD TO BUILD A CARPORT AT 503 N. 11TH STREET:

Steve Nixon told the Council that the Planning & Zoning Board met to discuss this request. They did not feel that there was enough space between her and her neighbor. This would cause run-off from the carport to enter onto the neighbor's property. The Planning & Zoning Board made the recommendation to deny the variance request. After discussion, **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to accept the action of the Planning & Zoning Board to deny the variance request. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Victor M. Amezcua Valencia- 70x8'x8' patio enclose- Part of Tract 1, Block 10-South Ballinger Addition. Located at 2024 Hutchings Avenue \$150.00 Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Tommy Turney reported to the Council that he has started keeping track of the water and street departments work orders. Since he started the street department has received 47 work order, completed 36 and still have 12 in progress. The water department received 104 work orders, completed 102 and still have 2 in progress. He also gave the Council a report of the hours worked including overtime. They are having safety meeting each Friday and that is working well. The street department is working on the drainage ditch on 13th street to hopefully improve the water drainage I n this area. They have been working on cleaning up the alleys and patching some of the sidewalks downtown with patches. He has been working on getting a schedule made up for the street and water department to have plans for the items that need to be addressed according need.

HEAR RQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:06 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to discuss Millersview-Doole contract amendment and request from Millersview-Doole for reimbursement of cost and expenses associated with contract amendment. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:15 p.m., and Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to pay Millersview-Doole for their cost and expenses of \$652.50 for their cost of the contract amendment. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUCNCIL WILLMEET IN BUDGET WORKSHOP SESSION TO DISCUSS THE PROPOSED 2019 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET:

The Council met in budget workshop. Stanley Maresch met with the Council to request more adjustments to his budget. After discussion the Council agreed to make the changes to the police department as requested.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:48 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary

On this the 10th day of September 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in special called session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Jason Gore Richard "Rick" Morrish Bob McDaniel Eloyed Fuentes Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Tommy Turney, Jr. Absent City Secretary City Administrator City Attorney

Others present: Robert Langston, Dustin Kresta-Citizens.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:31 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Rick Morrish was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONDUCT A PUBLIC HEARING ON THE PROPOSED CITY TAX RATE FOR 2018:

The Mayor open the second public hearing for the proposed City tax rate for 2018. He read the statement again as follows:

The proposed tax rate of \$0.532428/100 will raise more total property tax than last year's budget by \$63,952 or 7.70%, and of that amount \$164 is tax revenue to be raised from new property added to the tax roll this year. The proposed use of the increase in total tax revenue is for insurances in insurance cost.

There were no citizens at the meeting. The Council held the public hearing open until 5:46 pm.

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 5:47 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallo Mayor

ATTEST: Bonita F. Shields

City Secretary

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On this the 17th day of September 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

> Sam Mallory Jason Gore Richard "Rick" Morrish Bob McDaniel Absent

Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # \$

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Tommy Turney, Jr. William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch City Secretary City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police

Others present: Stella Gonzales, Frank Ortega, Kristi Goetz, Shamika Belk, Aimee Plant, Darlene Kelly, Angie Compton, Meghan Clark, Lori Jones, Randy Turner, Ginger Turner, Reba Bonner-Citizens

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:39 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Rick Morrish was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to approve the minutes of the September 4 and September 10, 2018 meetings. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Stella Gonzales met with the Council to voice her concerns about the condition of the street and the problem with no street signs in the South part of Ballinger. The ambulance was called to Kempner Street and the had a problem finding the house because there are no street signs at the intersection and the houses do not have the proper numbers on them.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST FROM DEBORAH MCDONALD CONCERNING THE DENIAL OF BUILDING PERMIT AT 503 N. 11TH STREET.

Mrs. McDonald did not show up for the meeting and no further action was taken.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST FROM AIMEE PLANT TO CLOSE OFF 8TH STREET BETWEEN HUTCHINGS AND RAILROAD AVENUES FOR AN 8TH-TOBER FEST ON OCTOBER 27, 2018:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve Aimee Plant's request to close off 8th Street between Hutchings and Railroad Avenues on October 27, 2018 from the hours of 1:00 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. for the 1st annual 8th-tober fest. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish,** and the motion carries with Commissioners Jason Gore, Rick Morrish and Mayor Sam Mallory voting ÁYE" and Commissioner Bob McDaniel voting "NAY".

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Police Chief Stanley Maresch report that the police department worked 6 arrests, 11 accidents and wrote 97 citations. They collected \$6,083.00 in court fines and the vehicles were driven a total of 7,480 miles. They are planning the 2nd National Night Out for October 2, 2018 starting at 6:00 p.m.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE THE 2019 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET:

Jason Gore made the motion to approve the 2019 fiscal year budget as presented. Second by Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE AN ORDINANCE TO SET THE 2018 CITY TAX RATE OF \$0.532428 PER \$100 VALUATION:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to pass AN ORDINANCE LEVYING THE AD VALOREM TAXES OF THE CITY OF BALLINGER, TEXAS ON ALL TAXABLE PROPERTY WITHIN THE CORPORATE LIMITS OF THE CITY, NOT EXEMPT BY LAW; PROVIDING REVENUES FOR PAYMENT OF CURRENT MUNICIPAL EXPENSES; AUTHORIZING TAX ASSESSOR-COLLECTOR TO ASSESS TAXES USING THE TAX RATE: PROVIDING FOR ENFORCEMENT OF COLLECTION: PROVIDING FOR A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE; AND PROVIDING AN EFFECTIVE DATE. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and the motion carries with Mayor Sam Mallory, Commissioner Jason Gore, Rick Morrish and Bob McDaniel voting "AYE".

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve the following building permits:

<u>Willis & Lela Taubert-</u> 14'x40' metal carport- Lot 8, Block 124- First Railroad Addition. Located at 504 N. 4th Street \$2,000.00 <u>Jeff Hurt-</u> 18'x76'x12' mobile home- Lot 9-10, Block 4- Wilke I addition. Located at

1006 N. 13th Street \$75,000.00

Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Tommy Turney gave the Council a report of the number of work orders received and completed by the street and water department. He reported the number of hours worked by all City employees. The city-wide clean-up has been set for October 20, 2018 from 8:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. There will be 30-yard dumpsters set up at the recycling center at 301 S. 7th Street for residents to dispose of their items. Resident will have to show a copy of their water bill to be able to enter the recycling facility. The street crew is still working of the drainage problems on 13th and 14th streets. The railroad will start working on putting the cross arms on Broadway on October 1st. He is looking at changing the hours for the recycling center to be open. The staff is also looking at doing something with the burned and condemned houses in town.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to enter into executive session at 7:15 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney concerning former employee. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7: 38p.m., and **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to close the executive session. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:38 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

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Bonita F. Shields City Secretary

STATE OF TEXAS)()(COUNTY OF RUNNELS)()(CITY OF BALLINGER)()(

On this the 1st day of October 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory	Mayor
Jason Gore	Commissioner # 1
Richard "Rick" Morrish	Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel	Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes	Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Tommy Turney, Jr. Absent Stanley Maresch City Secretary City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police

Others present: Cindy and Greg West, Kristi Goetz, Dustin Kresta, Robert Langston, Brent Allen, Tommy New, Darlene Kelly, Chad Hardy, Steven Gray, Jr.-Citizens, Bill Hancock- Runnels County Register.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the minutes of the September 17, 2018 meeting. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Greg & Cindy West- 1305 N. 16th Street- Met with the Council to see if he could get his problem resolved for getting a culvert placed in front of his property. The city limit line runs in the ditch in front of his property and he cannot get either entity to commit to the responsibility of placing the culvert.

Tommy told him that he would investigate the issue and get back with resolution for him.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE SELL OF A 1995 CHEVROLET FIRE TRUCK TO ROWENA VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the sale of a 1995 Chevrolet fire truck to the Rowena Volunteer fire department for \$22,000.00. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO ENACT AN ORDINACE AMENDING THE RATE FEE FOR WATER AND SEWER TAPS:

The Council was present with a proposed rate increase chart for water and sewer taps. They were also told that a survey was taken from neighboring cities and the price for supplies was also considered in the proposed rates as follows:

PROPOSED WATER METER TAPPING FEES

	Present Rate	Proposed Rate
3/4" -5/8" TAP	\$300.00	\$500.00
1" Tap	\$375.00	\$575.00
2" Tap	\$475.00	\$775.00
4" and up	\$575.00	\$975.00
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Tapping fees do not include the cost for meters.

After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to change the fee for the ³/₄"-5/8" tap from \$300.000 to \$400.00 and approve all other proposed rate fees. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and the motion was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO AUTHORIZE GALYA FULLERTON TO CONDUCT THE ANNUAL AUDIT FOR THE FISCAL YEAR ENDING SEPTEMER 30, 2018:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to approve the engagement letter to allow Gayla Fullerton to perform the annual audit on the City's books for the year ending September 30, 2018. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE AN ORIGNATING DEPOSITORY FINANICAL

INSTITUTION/ACH AGREEMENT WITH BALLINGER NATIONAL BANK:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the ACH agreement with Ballinger National Bank as presented. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the following building permits:

<u>Stacey Horton-</u> replace old with new mobile home- Lots 6-9, Block 7- Sunnyside Addition. Located at 403 S. Woodward \$78,000.00

Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM STANLEY MARESCH:

Stan Maresch reported that the monthly report includes 19 arrest, 8

accidents, answered 367 calls and collected \$9,438.00 in court fines. The 2nd annual National Night out will be October 5,2018 starting at 6:00 p.m. at the fire/police department building on 9th Street. The Council accepted the report as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Tommy gave the Council an update on the workorders for the street and water department. He also commented that they were slow in getting them done because of the rain. They are still working on the drainage projects on 13th and 14th streets. The time clock has been installed and employees have started using it to get use to clocking in. The training for the time clock and uploading information to USTI will be done sometime this month.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:11 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to hear update on alternative water resources. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:35 p.m., and Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION: None

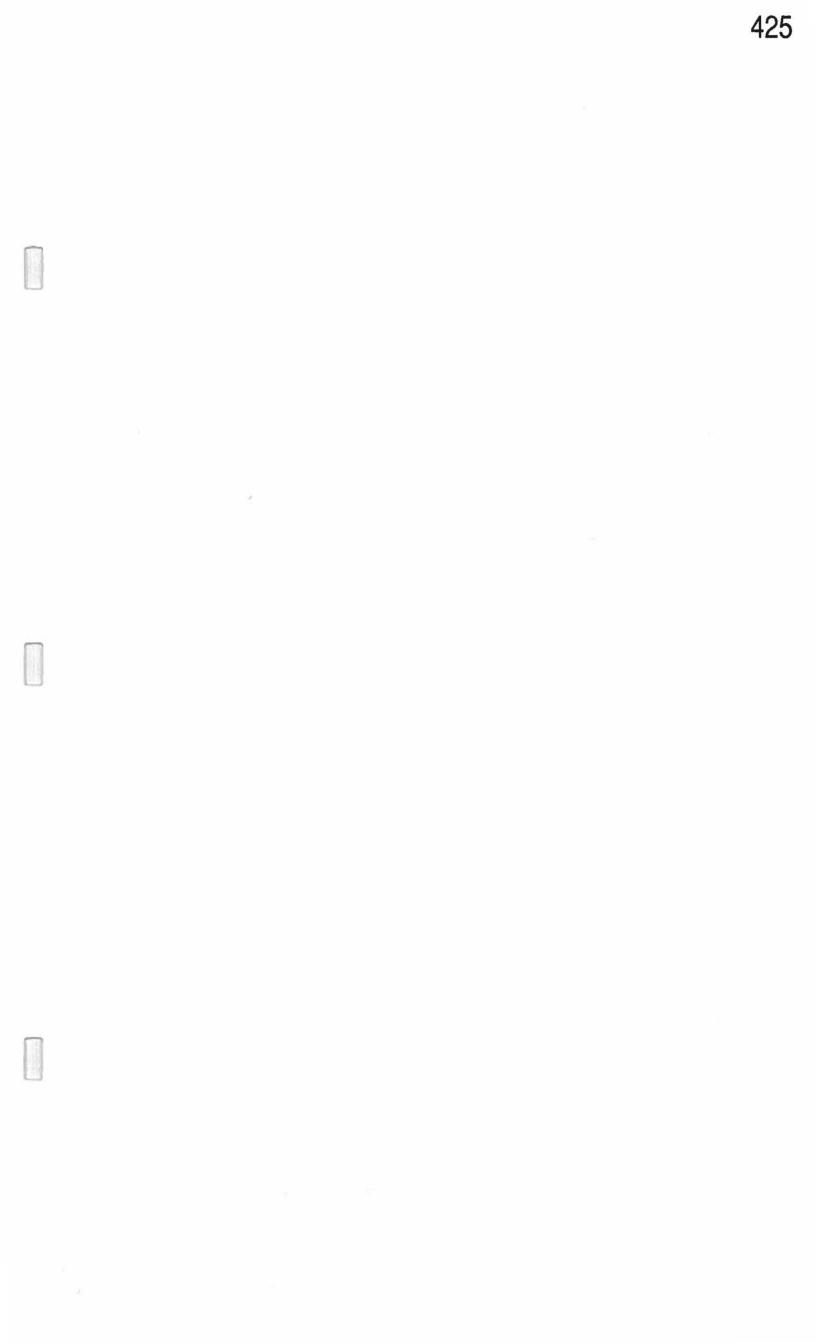
ADJOURN:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallo Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields/ City Secretary



STATE OF TEXAS)()(COUNTY OF RUNNELS)()(CITY OF BALLINGER)()(

On this the 15th day of October 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Jason Gore Richard "Rick" Morrish Bob McDaniel Eloyed Fuentes Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Tommy Turney, Jr. William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch Corey Van Zandt Steve Nixon City Secretary City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police IT Tech Public Works

Others present: Brent Allen, Ginger Turner, Randy Turner, Don Jones, Robert Wright, Carol Stokes, Robert Langston, Dustin Kresta, Chad Hardy, Kristi Goetz, Darlene Kelly, Kelsey Gore, Mario Mares, Jacklyn Cason, Landy Cason, Fallen Busenlehner, Steven Gray, Jr. Deborah McDonald, Don Jones, Amanda Collom- Citizens.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:34 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Bob McDaniel was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to table approval the minutes of the October 1, 2018 meeting until the tape could be reviewed for a motion made concerning the proposed increase for water/sewer tapping fees. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Amanda Collom spoke to the Council for herself and several local merchants that were attendance at the meeting. They did not feel that it was right for the closing of 8th Street for October 26-27, 2018 without the merchants being a part of the decision. They also wanted to remind the Council that they support them as a Council and appreciate everything that they do for the City of Ballinger.

Ginger Turner asked if the street crew investigate putting up a stop sign on the corner of 9th Street and Eubank Avenue because of the big dip that was installed at this location.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING THE CITY HOLIDAYS FOR 2019:

The Council was presented with the following schedule for 2019 holidays

CITY OF BALLINGER HOLIDAYS FOR 2019

Tuesday

January 1

Monday Monday Friday January 21 February 18 April 19 New Year's Day Martin Luther King's Day President's Day Good Friday

May 27	Memorial Day
July 4	Independence Day
September 2	Labor Day
October 14	Columbus Day
November 11	Veteran's Day
November 28	Thanksgiving Day
November 29	Day after Thanksgiving
December 24	Christmas Eve
December 25	Christmas Day
December 31	New Year's Eve
	July 4 September 2 October 14 November 11 November 28 November 29 December 24 December 25

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the holidays as presented. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO ADOPT THE CURFEW ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY OF BALLINGER:

City Attorney, Pat Chesser told the Council that the curfew ordinance must be reviewed by the Council every three years and readopted. If there is a lapse in reviewing the ordinance, then it must re readopted. Bonita checked the records and the last time it was reviewed was in 2016. A copy of the ordinance was given to the Council for consideration. Comm. Bob McDaniel had concerns about some of the wording in the ordinance and felt that it should be taken out. Other Council member requested time to review the ordinance before adopting it. After further discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to table any action for further review. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING A RESOLUTION FOR THE FINANCE OF A 2006 PIERCE MID MOUNT PLATFORM LADDER FIRE TRUCK WITH KEYSTONE BANK FORMERLY BALLINGER NATIONAL BANK:

Phillip Springer with Keystone Bank has agreed to finance the fire truck for \$121,000 with five annual payment. A resolution must be on file with them showing that the Council approved the Ioan. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to approve a resolution to purchase a 2006 Pierce Mid Mount platform ladder fire truck for \$121,000.00. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER ALL MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO APPROVING PUBLICATION OF NOTICE OF INTENT TO ISSUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, INCLUDING THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION PERTAINING THERETO:

This part of the process for the paper work for the bond on the proposed alternative water project with the City of Abilene. The Water Development Board is requesting that the City get this paper work started so that the City can keep on schedule and have this part of the bond process done whenever we get the contacts finalized with Millersview-Doole and City of Abilene. After discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to approve the notice of intent and authorize the notice to be run the paper for the next two weeks. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON LETTER FROM GAYLA FULLERTON, AUDITOR CONCERNING CITY FINANCES:

The Council reviewed the letter for Gayla Fullerton explaining why she felt that the City was declined for an equipment loan. Moody's has given the City a very low rating and Commissioner Bob McDaniel and Jason Gore and are concerned about the cash flow and the rating received from Moody. Comm. Bob McDaniel suggested that the City hire another independent auditor to look at the books.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE RECCOMENDATION OF THE PLANNING & ZONING BOARD FOR THE RECONSIDERATION OF A VARIANCE REQUEST FROM DEBORAH MCDONALD TO BUILD A CARPORT AT 503 N. 11TH STREET:

Steve Nixon reported that the variance request was taken back to the Planning & Zoning Board because the neighbor Don Jones has agreed to allow Mrs. McDonald to build the carport 3' from his property line vs the required 5'. The

Planning and Zoning did not have a problem with the adjusted variance and recommends approval of the variance.

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to accept the recommendation of the Planning & Zoning Board and approve the variance as presented. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Deborah McDonald- 12'x28/x10' carport- Part of Lot 4, Block 3- Miller Addition. Located at 503 N. 11th Street \$25.00

<u>Nancy Blackwell-</u>90'x7.5"x 73'8"x11'1" residential single-story home- 2 acres of the Charles Osgood Survey 364, Abstract 393. Located at 2101 Broadway

\$500,000.00

Tim & Janice Travis-12'x21'x7' carport- Lot 3. Block 6- Miller Addition. Located at \$1,736.35

<u>Mark Willingham-</u>carport- Lots 4-5, Block 14- Bowden Addition. Located at 1301 N 9th Street \$500.00

Second by Comm. Bo McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Tommy reported to the Council that the rain has delayed the 13th street project. 14th Street has been opened back up for through traffic. The water department is working on replacing the water lines on Murrell Avenue between 8th and 10th streets. He has been in contact with a local vendor to make street signs. The contracts for dispatching and rural fire protection will be on a future agenda for review.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:52 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to hear update on alternative water resources. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:59 p.m., and Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the amended water contracts with Millersview-Doole, and the two contracts with the City of Abilene as presented. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:00 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallery Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary

STATE OF TEXAS)()(COUNTY OF RUNNELS)()(CITY OF BALLINGER)()(

On this the 5th day of November 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in a public hearing at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory	Mayor
Jason Gore	Commissioner # 1
Richard "Rick" Morrish	Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel	Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes	Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Tommy Turney, Jr. William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch City Secretary City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police

Others present: Tammie Virden, Landy Cason, Carl Williams, Kristi Goetz, Stella Gonzales, Bill Hancock, Darlene Kelly, Mary Smith, Steve Gray, Jr. Brent Allen, Robert Langston-**Citizens.**

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the public hearing to order at 5:30 p.m.

The Mayor explained to those in attendance to the public hearing that it was being held regarding the submission of an application to the Texas Department of Agriculture for a Texas Community Development Block Grant program.

The purpose of the public hearing is to allow citizens an opportunity to discuss the citizens' participation plan, the development of local housing and community development needs, the amount of TxCDBG funding available, all eligible TxCDGB activities and the use of past TxCDBG funds.

Tommy Turney, Jr. explained that the grant would allow the City to apply for a grant pf \$275,000.00 for street improvements, which would allow the City to make repairs to about 30 blocks of paving.

The citizens present were asked to fill out a community needs assessment eligible activities survey of what they felt was the most important improvements by numbering the listed items 1-14 with 1 being their most important request.

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to close the public hearing at 5:53 p.m. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

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ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary On this the 5th day of November 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Jason Gore Richard "Rick" Morrish Bob McDaniel Eloyed Fuentes Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Tommy Turney, Jr. William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch Corey Van Zandt Steve Nixon Debby DeBerry City Secretary City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police IT Tech Public Works Water Utility Clerk

Others present: Tammie Virden, Landy Cason, Stella Gonzales, Kristi Goetz, Carl Williams, Robert Langston, Brent Allen, Steve Gray, Jr., Darlene Kelly, Amanda Hooten- Citizens, Bill Hancock- Runnels County Register.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:54 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 1 and October 15, 2018 meetings, with note of corrections. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON RE-ESTABLISHING THE CURFEW ORDINANCE FOR THE CITY:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the amended curfew ordinance for Ballinger. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST FROM THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE TO HAVE A CHRISTMAS IN OLDE BALINGER PARADE ON NOVEMBER 24, 2018:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve a resolution allowing the Chamber of Commerce to have a parade for the Christmas in Olde Ballinger on Saturday, November 24, 2018. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE QUARTERLY TOURISM REPORT FROM TAMMIE VIRDEN:

Tammie presented the Council with the following trial balance as of September 30, 2018:

	Debit	Credit
BNB- Tourism Account	32,215.68	
Payroll Liabilities		8,818.09
Retained Earnings	1,001.61	
Reimbursement		8,025.00
Sales Tax Revenue		14,850.40
Tourism		17,270.63
Operating: Advertising	862.53	
Operating: Equipment	4,048.28	
Operating: Internet	629.91	
Operating: Membership Dues	1,250.00	
Operating: Postage	111.15	
Operating: Salaries	6,937.47	
Operating: Supplies	569.78	
Payroll	180.00	
Payroll Expenses	573.20	
Special Events Expense: Ethnic Fest	584.51	
Totals	48,964.12	48,964.12

After discussion, **Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to accept the report as presented. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ON HIRING AN INDEPENDENT AUDITOR TO PERFORM AN AUDIT OF CITY FINANCES:

Council members Jason Gore and Bob McDaniel ask if more information had been obtained concerning the finances for the City. They would like for another auditor to look over the City's books. City Attorney Pat Chesser explained to them that another auditor would find the same results and that he felt another audit would be waste of money. The Council also discussed doing a forensic audit to make sure everything is in line with the City's finances. It was explained that the forensic audit would be expensive also. After a lengthy discussion the Council asked Tommy to look at the finances for the years 2013-2018 and report back to the Council.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Johnathan Nord- 18'x10' porch-Lots 11-12, Block 1- Fairview Addition. Located at 1800N.13thStreet \$4,800.00

Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Stan Maresch reported to the Council that they made 8 arrests, worked 3 accidents and answered 375 calls. The court collected \$5,865.00 in court fines. Stan also reported to the Council on the assault case. A warrant has been served for the suspect and he has bonded out of jail. The case will now be turned over to the County Attorney.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Tommy gave the Council a report on the work orders and the man hours worked during the last two weeks. He reported that both lake levels are up, and both City's lakes are full. The dip at the corner of 13th Street and Pou Avenue has been removed, drainage cans installed and is working well. Tommy showed the Council a map of the water lines in Ballinger. The map shows that 64% of the water lines have been replaced and the water department is working on replacing the other 36% of the old metal line with poly or pvc lines.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:53 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney regarding Millersview-Doole Water Supply Agreement and

Abilene Water Supply Agreement and Abilene Water Infrastructure Agreement. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:07 p.m., and Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign the second amended water supply agreement with Millersview-Doole and to also sign the second amended water supply contract and water infrastructure contracts with the City of Abilene. **Second by Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:08 p.m. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields

City Secretary

STATE OF TEXAS)()(**COUNTY OF RUNNELS**)()(CITY OF BALLINGER)()(

On this the 19th day of November 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory	Mayor
Jason Gore	Commissioner # 1
Richard "Rick" Morrish	Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel	Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes	Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Tommy Turney, Jr. William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch

City Secretary City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police

Others present: Carrie Turney, Ty Turney, Elaine Paske, Landy Cason, Carl Williams, Tommy New, Kristi Goetz, Clyde Kresta, Theresa McDaniel, Lalanie Dohrse, Brent Allen, Debbie DeBerry, Donald Paske, Donna Williams- Citizens, John Hancock- Ballinger Ledger.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:30 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Rick Morrish was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

VISITORS:

Elaine Paske met with the Council to request that Carrie Turney be added as a member on the City Park board. The Council was asked to review this request to make sure there were no nepotism rules being violated with Tommy being the City Manager.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to approve the minutes of the November 5, 2018 meeting. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

CANVASS THE ELECTION RESULTS ON THE NOVEMBER 6, 2018 ELECTION:

The Mayor read off the reports that the City received from the Elections Administrator. The reports show that resident is County precincts 1,7, and 8 also live in the City precincts 3 and 4. There was a total of 220 votes cast for Single Member District # 3 which included 126 votes for Bob McDaniel and 94 votes for Darlene Kelly.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE ELECTION RESULTS TO **BE CORRECT:**

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to pass a resolution declaring the results of the City Officer's election held on November 6, 2018 to be correct. Second by Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

Mayor Sam Mallory presented Eloyed Fuentes with plaque thanking him for his twelve years of service on the City Council.

Bonita Shields administer the oath of office to Bob McDaniel for Single Member District #3 and Krisiti Goetz for Single Member District # 4. They were congratulated and Kristi Goetz was asked to take her seat.

CONSIDER SETTING THE TIME AND PLACE FOR REGULAR AND SPECIAL CALLED MEETINGS:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to leave the time for the regular and special Council meeting to be the 1st and 3rd Mondays of each month at 5:30 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved

CONSIDER SETTING THE SALARY FOR THE MAYOR AND COMMISSIONERS OF THE COUNCIL:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to leave the salary for the Council members at \$250.00 annual and the Mayor at \$500.00 annual. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPOINTING A MAYOR PRO-TEM:

Jason Gore made the motion to appoint Bob McDaniel as the Mayor Protem. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER OR TAKE ACTION ON THE AMENDMENTS TO THE COMMUNITY CENTER RENTAL POLICY AND CONTRACT:

The Council reviewed the current contract and rental policy. The section for the fees for security guard service shows to be \$35.00 per hour for all security guards. The proposal is to change the policy to read \$35.00 per hour for security guards, with a minimum 4 hours per officer with a 30-day notice or \$45.00 per hour for security guards, with a minimum 4 hours per officer with less than 30-day notice. After discussion, **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to approve the amendment as presented. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER OR TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING THE DISPATCHING SERVICE CONTRACT AND RURAL FIRE PROTECTION CONTRACT WITH RUNNELS COUNTY:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the annual rural fire protection with Runnels County with a \$10,500 payment from the County and the contract for dispatching service from the County for an annual payment from the City in the amount of \$45,000 to be made monthly at \$3,750.00. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER OR TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING A COMMUNITY SERVICE CONTRACT WITH CONCHO VALLEY COMMUNITY SUPERVISION AND CORRECTIONS DEPARTMENT:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve a contract with Concho Valley Community Supervision and Corrections Department to allow people the ability to work off fines and fees through community service. **Second by Comm. Kristi Goetz** and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER OR TAKE ACTION ON APPROVING A CONTRACT AND AWARDING COLDWELL BANKERS FOR REAL ESTATE BROKER SERVICES:

Tommy Turney report to the Council that the City received two bids. One from Big Country Realty and one from Coldwell Banker Co. for real estate broker services. The bid from Big Country Realty had to be eliminated because of Kristi Goetz being elected to the Council. He is requesting that the Council accept the bid from Coldwell Banker Co. with Elizabeth Cook. After discussion, **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to accept the bid from Coldwell Banker. **Second by Jason Goetz** and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER OR TAKE ACTION ON HOWCO SERVICES AS GRANT ADMINISTRATOR:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to hire Howco Service as the grant administrator for grants with Texas Community Development Grant. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER OR TAKE ACTION TO ALLOW GAYLA FULLERTONTO RE-EVALUATE THE 2017 AUDIT:

Comm. Kristi Goetz made the motion to approve allowing Gayla Fullerton to re-evaluate the 2017 audit. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved. Commissioner Bob McDaniel told the Council that it has also been brought to his attention that the residents that pay for Air-Med services on their monthly water bills have been receiving letters that their coverage has lapsed. He also told the Council that Ballinger Cemetery Association has told him that they have not received a payment since April 2018 for the \$1.00 that is collected on customer's bills monthly and he would like for the issues to be investigated.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS: None

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Tommy Turney reported that the water department has been working on the waterline replacement on Murrell Avenue. The water department will start moving meters on 8th Street the first of December to connect them to the new water line that was replaced several months ago. The City wide clean- up was a great success. There was about 20,000 pounds of garbage and tires collected. The City has started tearing down houses that have been burnt of condemned. The new fire truck is in and the volunteers are excited and have already planned a date to clean it up and have it ready for the Christmas in Ole Ballinger parade.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter into executive session at p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 (Consultation with City Attorney) and Section 551.074 Personnel Matters) Council may deliberate on an appeal filed by a City employee who was terminated from his employment with the City. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:28 p.m., and Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Rick Morrish and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to deny the appeal of Clyde Kresta and honor the termination made by the City Manager. **Second Kristi Goetz** and the motion carries with Commissioners Jason Goetz, Rick Morrish, Bob McDaniel and Kristi Goetz voting "AYE" and Mayor Sam Mallory voting "Nay".

ADJOURN:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:30 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallor

Mayor Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary

On this the day 3rd of December 2018, the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory
Jason Gore
Richard(Rick) Morrish
Bob McDaniel
Kristi Goetz

Mayor Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Tommy Turney, Jr. William "Pat" Chesser Stan Maresch Steve Nixon Corey Van Zandt Debbie DeBerry City Secretary City Manager City Attorney Chief of Police Code Enforcement/Public Works I T Tech Utility Billing

Others present; Tammie Virden, Whitney Shorb, Belinda Castillo -**Chamber** of Commerce, Paul Thomas, Steve Gray, Jr., Brent Allen, Tommy New, Chad Hardy, Ginger Turner, Randy Turner, Carrie Turney, Ty Turney-**Citizens**.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:36 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Bob McDaniel was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve the minutes of the November 19, 2018 meeting, with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Kristi Goetz and was unanimously approved.

VISITOR: None

DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO APPOINT A COMMITTEE TO REVIEW PROPOSED CHANGES/UPDATES TO THE CHARTER:

City Manager Tommy Turney proposed that Comm. Kristi Goetz head a committee to review and update the Charter. Comm. Kristi Goetz accepted. Attorney William Chesser suggested that there be two council members on the committee and 5 to 7 citizens appointed so there would be an uneven amount of people on the committee so that when voting there would not be a tie vote. The last change to the Charter was in 1964-1965. Any proposed changes will be reviewed by the City Council and would have to be voted on by the citizens in a November election. Commissioners Bob McDaniel and Kristi Goetz will serve on the committee, Kristi will be head of the committee and appoint other citizens willing to serve to make up the rest of the committee. **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to appoint Commissioner Kristi Goetz to head a committee to review and propose changes to the Charter. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore** and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION TO PUT NOTICE IN THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS TO SURVEY THE AIRPORT LAND:

Tommy reported that he would like to apply for a grant with TxDOT for airport improvements. The City has 640 acres of land and a survey needs to be made to decide the farm acreage from the rest of the airport. We cannot find any record of a survey being done. The grant will pay for 90% of all maintenance including; mowing, runway light replacement, and new T-hangers. Tommy said the survey will cost approximately \$3,000.00. **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON PUTTING NOTICE IN THE LOCAL NEWSPAPER TO ADVERTISE FOR BIDS TO HIRE A COLLECTION FIRM FOR WATER BILLS AND MUNICIPAL COURT FINES AND FEES:

The records show \$142,000.00 delinquent Court fines and approximately \$125,000.00 delinquent water accounts. A collection agency that we have visited with would add an additional fee for Court collections and would charge 30% of all collection for water bills. **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to advertise for bids for a collection agency, **Second by Comm. Jason Gore**, and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER ALL MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO THE ISSUANCE AND SALE OF "THE CITY OF BALLINGER, TEXAS TAX AND WATERWORKS AND SEWER SYSTEM SURPLUS REVENUE CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION, SERIES 2018", INCLUDING THE ADOPTION OF AN ORDINANCE AUTHORIZING THE ISSUANCE OF SUCH CERTIFICATES OF OBLIGATION.

City Manager Tommy Turney explained that the 2018 Bond issue will be to pay for the Water Development Board to design and negotiate the easements for North Abilene water plant to the South Abilene water plant, to supply water to the City of Ballinger. **Comm. Kristi Goetz** made the motion to approve all matters incident and related to the issuance and sale of City of Ballinger, Texas tax and waterworks and sewer system surplus revenue certificates. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore,** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER ALL MATTERS INCIDENT AND RELATED TO APPROVING AND AUTHORIZING THE EXECUTION OF A PRINCIPAL FORGIVENESS AGREEMENT WITH THE TEXAS WATER DEVELOPMENT BOARD AND RELATED ESCROW AGREEMENT, INCLUDING THE ADOPTION OF A RESOLUTION PERTAINING THERETO.

This is a three million dollars bond with two million forgiveness which would equal a one million bond for the City of Ballinger. After discussion, **Comm. Rick Morrish** made the motion to accept a forgiveness bond reduction. **Second by Comm. Kristi Goetz** and was unanimously approved.

THE CITY COUNCIL MAY CONSIDER, DISCUSS OR TAKE ACTION ON THE AUDIT REPORT FOR GAYLA FULLERTON OF THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE.

CPA Paul Thomas provided the Chamber of Commerce audit to the Council. He stated that in his opinion, the Chamber is tightly run. A 100% audit was conducted with 100% of the receipts. He stated that in his opinion the Hotel/Motel tax was being spent properly. Paul offered 3 recommendation: To operate under budget; keep track of membership by merging into one software program to help eliminate confusion; and that the city should adopt a written policy. Paul said that the chamber is extremely active.

Comm. Bob McDaniel would like the Chamber to keep track of "heads in beds", to see how many people are staying in the hotels. City Manager Tommy Turney is accepting bids on proposals for a study on increasing the visitation to town. **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to accept the audit as presented. **Second by Comm. Jason Gore,** and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE THE AMENDED TRAVEL EXPENSE VOUCHER FORMS FOR EMPLOYEES TRAVELING FOR CITY BUSINESS.

Tommy reported that the current voucher allows employees \$10.00 per meal per day, he would like to increase that to just \$40.00 per day. **Comm. Jason Gore** made the motion to approve the new travel expense voucher with all requests being approved by the City Manager before travel time is granted off. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Kelly Monse- 24X24X8' Shed and Greenhouse, Lot 2, 3, & pt. 4, Block 115, FirstRailroad Addition.407 N 6th\$2,800.00

Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT:

Chief Stan Maresch reported that the police department made 10 arrests, worked 11 accidents, answered 331 calls for service, wrote 80 citations, and collected about \$5,800 in Court fines. There was one incident with the Christmas in Olde Ballinger parade on November 23, 2018, that ended in one arrest. Stan also reported that there was a fleet accident involving a police car. A big truck turned the corner, a car in front of the police car started backing up to allow the truck to turn and bumped into the police car. He reported no damage done to either car and no citation issued.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

City Manager Tommy Turney explained each of the following updates: 1. Update council on 3% increase for garbage collection fees: The contract with Republic was stipulated with a 3% increase each year for increasing cost.

2. Update on City finances and spending. There were 3 CD's adding up to \$360,000.00. \$61,000.00 was spent to pay off a police vehicle loan, \$105,000.00 was spent to pay off a loan for the community center improvements. Leaving an amount of \$194,000.00 that was reported to be deposited into the general fund's account. Tommy reported that they are going through bills to see where the rest was spent but is hard because it was absorbed into the general fund so was disbursed for any amount used to pay bills. The Minutes of October 5, 2015, states that the Council at that time did know about the cashing in of these CD's from the bank, however, it was noted that the former council did not vote on the action.

Update on Air-Med billing and payments: Air-Med issues have been corrected, due to billing miscommunications. The account had been flagged as 60 days delinguent and the coverage was dropped, we did miss a payment in June, a July payment was made and instead of crediting it for June it was credited as July thus making 30 days delinquent. The August payment was made, and September payment was skipped, the October payment was credited as October instead of September making the account the 60 days delinquent and flagged the account to discontinue coverage. They did not send out a notice that the account was set to discontinue the coverage. The account has been rectified and is now set to send out a letter if the account becomes 60 days delinquent. The council will revisit to decide if the city will continue to offer Air-Med on the water bills and instead have the citizens be billed and pay directly through Air-Med to relieve the City of any liabilities.

4. Update on the Cemetery payments: The Cemetery payments have been caught up. Tommy discussed getting a request for funds statement from Evergreen Cemetery so that there is a paper trail. Payments had been paid every 6 months in the past but a request for funds will be for a monthly payment. Tommy also discussed that someone from Evergreen Cemetery needs to come in to discuss the donations again.

5. Report that the city has received a quote for IT services for City.

Corey reached out to 3 companies for preliminary quotations for City Wide Wi-Fi, the first quote came in and was \$118,002.82. Corey is still waiting on 2 more auotes.

Report that the City will be receiving bids for engineering service for Grants:

A block grant for roads will be put out for bid and will close December 10, 2018.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Kristi Goetz made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:46 p.m. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

Bonita Shields City Secretary

STATE OF TEXAS)()()(COUNTY OF RUNNELS)()() CITY OF BALLINGER)()(

On this the 17th day of December 2018 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory	Mayor
Jason Gore	Commissioner # 1
Richard "Rick" Morrish	Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel	Commissioner # 3
Krisiti Goetz	Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Tommy Turney, Jr. William "Pat" Chesser Stanley Maresch Corey Van Zandt Steve Nixon City Secretary City Administrator City Attorney Chief of Police IT Tech Public Works Director

Others present: Brandon Davis, Dustin Kresta, Robert Langston, Landy Cason, Carl Williams, Carrie Turney, Ty Turney, Martin Escobar, Kay Escobar, Jack Watkins, Jeff Smith, Tru Vasquez- Citizens, Bill Hancock-Runnels County Register.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:35 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Rick Morrish was asked to lead the group in a word of prayer and the pledge of allegiance.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 3, 2018 meeting, with noted corrections. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Jeff Smith met with the Council to state his concerns with Pat Chesser being the City Attorney for the City of Ballinger and the City of Willow Park. He was wondering if the Council has any concerns with the issues of what is going on in Ballinger and with the time that Bryan was in Ballinger. He wanted to know if there was any conflict between the two. Pat Chesser informed him that he does not represent Bryan Grimes, he works for the City of Willow Park and they both have nothing to do with the other. Mr. Chesser also told him that he and Grimes do not talk about the issue here and that he probably knows about from what has been in the paper.

DISCUSS, CONSIDER OR TAKE ACTION TO PASS A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING THE CITY TO APPLY FOR A 2019 MUNICIPAL SOLID WASTE GRANT WITH WEST CENTRAL TEXAS COG:

Tommy Turney, Jr. told the Council that the City does not have a recycle program at this time and they are looking at starting the program up again with some of the equipment that the City currently has on hand. Jack Watkins has also been looking at getting a grant for the recycling program. The only thing that is marketable at this time is cardboard. The grant would allow money for a pallet jack and trailers. Jack told the Council that he would work with the Chamber of Commerce through their Keep Ballinger Beautiful program and the school to get the community informed of the program. After discussion, **Comm. Bob McDaniel** made the motion to authorize the City staff to apply for a grant with West Central Texas COG. **Second by Kristi Goetz** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Rick Morrish made the motion to approve the following building permits:

Ballinger LLC c/o Pennington Co.-10'x12'x7' storage shed- Part of Lots 1-5, Block 66-Cameron Subdivision of West End Addition.

Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Update on City finances and spending

An auditor came in last week and went through the City books. He will compose his information and have a report of his findings and recommendation of changes that he feels would benefit the City.

Report on street marking for community center

The street department is marking the area around the community center to designate proper parking and to stop parking on neighbor's parking lot across the street from community. The crew will also be marking the walk area around the elementary school.

Committee for engineering service for grants

Bids have been received for an engineer for the street improvement grant. A committee will get together to review the bids and a recommendation will be presented to the Council for approval on January 7, 2019.

The collection agent bid has been extended for another week.

Committee for reviewing the personnel policy handbook

A committee has been formed to review the personnel policy and make recommendation for changes.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Comm. Bob McDaniel would like to see if there is anyway that the speed bumps could be removed on Avenue E going to the one mile. There were also the questions of if residents could repair the potholes in the streets.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:15 p.m. **Second by Comm. Rick Morrish** and was unanimously approved.

Mayor

ATTEST:

Bonita F. Shields City Secretary