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

On this the 3rd day of January, 2017 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

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields City Secretary
Bryan Grimes City Administrator
Ebb Grindstaff City Attorney

Stanley Maresch Interim Chief of Police

Corey Van Zandt IT Tech

Debbie DeBerry Water Utility Clerk

Others present: None

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. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 5, 2016 meeting. Second by Comm. Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Stanley Maresch with Ballinger Youth Association requested that they be put on the agenda to request from the City help to clean the soccer fields located on 13th Street. Stanley found out the property belongs to Ballinger ISD, and they have agreed to allow Ballinger Youth Association use of the property. They are trying to get soccer started back up in Ballinger and the fields have trees that need to be removed, the grounds leveled and new grass seeding. They are also considering putting in a new sprinkler system.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to table the building permits submitted by Chad Hardy and Mobility Cell until the next Council for more information to be presented. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM INTERIM CHIEF OF POLICE STANLEY MARESCH:

Stanley Maresch reported that the department answered 316 calls, worked 4 accidents, issued 28 citations including 1 MIP and 2 curfew violations. The courts collected \$5,253.00 in fines. Stanley has hired Suzanne Torres and Timothy Chad Mercer as police officers. He also hired Martha Speckels as the office clerk. This gives the police department a full crew. He told the Council that he would have the new officers at the next meeting for proper introduction. The Council accepted the report as presented.

SEE A DEMONSTRATION OF THE NEW WATER BILLING SYSTEM:

Bryan told the Council that the system was purchased through bonds with the Texas Water Development Board. The cost of the system was a little under \$850,000 and with grants received on the project the City only had to finance \$600,000, which will be paid by \$65,000 annual payments for the next ten years.

The system reads approximately 2,200 meter through a collector that was placed on the radio tower. The system also has the capability of radio read of the meters if needed. This new system will not eliminate any positions in the water department.

Debbie DeBerry presented the Council with a demonstration of the new water meter reading system. She showed the Council how they can now look at customer's meters and tells them if the customer has a continuous leak or intermittent leak. They can also see how much water a customer uses by the day or the hour. Within the next two-three months the customers will be able to get on line and look at their own accounts. This has really help them when a customer come into the office complaining about high water usage.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan Grimes presented the Council with a copy of the financial statement for the month of December, 2016. He also reported that the revenue from sales tax was up by 6% compared to last year. The brush truck has been running very hard to catch up on the 250 work orders that have been turned in.

The fire department would like to meet with the Council to discuss purchasing c-containers for training purpose and another ladder fire truck.

Utility Services is inspecting the standpipe on 13th Street. The water plant is running off the elevated storage tank on Crosson Avenue while the standpipe is being drained and inspected.

He has started working on the RFP's for garbage collections service.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEM FROMCITY COUNCIL:

Comm. Phillip Arp requested that the Council review the current radio tower ordinance to make sure it is up to date. Ballinger Youth Sport's request. Comm. Eloyed Fuentes informed the Council that he had received a complaint from Dr. McKinnon at 709 N. 8th about the street repairs that need to be made in front of this house.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly 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 hear update on alternative water resources. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:35 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. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve a resolution with the City of Clyde to extend the water purchase agreement until July 31, 2017. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:36 p.m. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

Mayor

ATTEST:

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

On this the 17th day of January 2017 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:

Mayor

Sam Mallory

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 3 Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 4

Eloyed Fuentes

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Bryan Grimes Absent

Stanley Maresch

City Secretary City Administrator

City Attorney Interim Chief of Police

Others present: Cody Quillin- Mobilitie, Michael Jonas- Citizen, Cassie McNaley, Larry Lancaster- Ballinger Youth Sports, Suzanne Torres, Chad Mercer, Justin Amaro, Martha Speckels- New Police department employees.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the January 3, 2017 meeting, with note of one correction. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Michael Jonas- 1202 N.9th Street- Met with the Council to voice his concerns about the voice problem with this neighbor. He has visited with the police department in the past about this problem, and everything was okay for a while but the neighbors have started playing their music loud again and it is a nuisance to him. Stan Maresch told Mr. Jonas that he would look into the complaint and see if he could it the problem resolved.

HEAR A PRESENTATION OF NEW POLICE OFFICER AND CLERK TO CITY COUNCIL:

Stan Maresch introduced the new police officers Justin Amaro, Chad Mercer and Suzanne Torres. He also introduced the new office clerk Martha Speckels. The Council thanked them for their willingness to serve and help protect the citizens of Ballinger.

REMOVE THE TABLE TO DISCUSS CODE ENFORCEMENT ISSUES:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to remove the issue from the table. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

Steve Nixon told the Council that in his review of the ordinance book he found several items that he would like for the Council to decide and instruct him how to enforce. Some of the issue are parked rv's on city streets, no truck parking in residential areas, requirements for electricians, plumbers, roofers, and journeyman contractors working in the city limits, use of the city's sewer machine and grease traps for businesses. They also talked about the ordinance book needing to be updated. Bryan said that he has been talking Franklin Legal

Publishing about codifying the whole ordinance book and bringing it up to date. He should have a proposal for review at the next meeting.

HEAR A PRESENTATION FROM THE BALLINGER VOLUNTEER FIRE DEPARTMENT FOR COUNCIL APPROVAL TO PURCHASE A NEW LADDER FIRE TRUCK:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to table this issue until for further review. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO CONSIDER HELPING BALLINGER YOUTH SPORTS TO GRUB TREES AND DIRT WORK ON THE SOCCER FIELDS LOCATED ON 13TH STREET:

Larry Lancaster and Cassie McNaley met with the Council to request help in grubbing and dirt work for the soccer fields. There is only a small section of the field that can be used. The sprinkler system that is there has not been used in several years and possibly not in good condition for use. The Council discussed the owner of the property. They also discussed the cost of the project and estimated about 5-6 weeks to get everything done. After discussion, Comm. Eloyed Fuentes authorized the use of City equipment and manpower to help with tree grubbing and dirt work at the soccer fields on 13th Street. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

<u>Tommy Chambliss-</u> 26'58x8' mobile home- Tract 11. Block South Ballinger Addition. Located at 1932 Hutchings Avenue between the bridge and Hickory Hill Road \$49,999.99

<u>Steve Nixon-</u> 14'x24' Wood and steel deck- Part of the Chas. Osgood Survey. Located at 2010 N. 6th Street \$3,000.00

<u>Gene & Carolyn Roberts-</u> Moving in house- Part of Block 6- West End Addition. Located at 701 Country Club Road \$6,000.00

<u>Stan & Gayle Bickel-</u> 18'x18' utility room & storage- Part of the JM Caldwell Addition. Located at 602 N. Broadway \$25,000.00

<u>Lisa & Richard Rossignal-</u> 9'10 in x 13ft 1 in Steel shed- Lots 6-7, Block 112-First Railroad Addition \$540.17

<u>Chad Hardy-</u> 8x20 portable building- Lot 5, Block 15- Guion Addition. Located at 800 N. 14th Street \$1,000.00

Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan presented the Council with the proposed blue print for the new police department building. He will be meeting with Texas Water Development Board next on the proposed three million loan/grant for alternative water resource. The sales tax came in las week and we have received 16% more compared to last year. He also told the Council about the meeting coming up that he will be attending.

HEAR REQUST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL:

Comm. Bob McDaniel requested that someone get in contact with the property owners at 201 N. Broadway to see what their plans are for the hamburger stand.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:37 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 Personnel Matters (Performance review of Stanley Maresch as Interim Chief of Police). Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:57 p.m., and Comm. Darlene Kelly 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 appoint Stanley Maresch and

the Chief of Police effective immediately. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:58 p.m. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

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

On this the 6th day of February 2017 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 12:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory

Mayor

Phillip Arp Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 1

Bob McDaniel

Commissioner # 2 Commissioner # 3

Eloyed Fuentes

Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Absent

City Secretary

Bryan Grimes Ebb Grindstaff City Manager City Attorney

Stan Maresch

Chief of Police

Absent

Code Enforcement/Public Works

Absent

IT Tech

Debby Legg

Assistant City Secretary

Others present: Johnny Fulton, Jeanie Fulton, Bobbie Campbell, Carrie Flores and Mr. & Mrs. Israel Fernandez-Citizens

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 12:00 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. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the January 17, 2017, meeting with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

VISITOR:

All visitors are here to hear about the 10TH Street closure and Mayor Sam Mallory said they will get to talk later.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON USING FRANKLIN LEGAL PUBLISHERS TO REDO CITY CODE BOOK:

Bryan Grimes stated that Curt Franklin with Franklin Legal Publishers could bring the City's Code Book current with updated State Statues since no updates had been made since 1997. The cost would be a blanket fee of \$10,000 for one license and the city could have online access to print as many books as needed. The annual fee for the company to host it will be \$395. The cost could be delayed until next year's budget. City Attorney Grindstaff stated the last company that performed the updates was from Florida for a cost of \$20,000. He recommended to recodify the Code Book. Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to hire Franklin Legal Publishers at a total cost not to exceed \$11,000. The motion received a second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON CLOSURE OF 10TH STREET BETWEEN RAILROAD AND PARK AVENUE FOR TX DOT:

Bryan Grimes reported that Texas Pacifico and TX Dot had contacted him about installing arms and lights on the city streets that the railway crosses in Ballinger. This triggered a review and TX Dot felt that 10th Street should be closed between Railroad and Park Avenue. They also felt that the traffic on 8th Street was the heaviest. A TX Dot Engineer in Austin relying on Google Earth felt the 10th

Street. crossing was the most dangerous and the 13th Street crossing was the next most dangerous. TX Dot proposed giving the City \$150,000 specifically for the arm and light installation on the 8th Street. and 13th Street crossings contingent upon the City closing 10th Street. Bryan Grimes stated that the Council could reject this request, but that in time it could happen through legal process since TX Dot owns the property involved. **Comm. Bob McDaniel** immediately voiced his opposition to the closing, stating that TX Dot should incur the expense. **Comm. Phillip Arp** made a motion to reject the closure of 10th Street. After a second by **Comm. Bob McDaniel**, the motion was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON SOLID WASTE DISPOSAL RFP:

The current contract with Trashaway expires in August 2017 and a decision for a new contract needs to be made by April or May 2017. There are three companies, maybe four interested in submitting a proposal. City Manager Grimes will provide additional information to the companies if they ask for it. The proposal deadline could be March 31st and the item will be on the April 3rd agenda. After contemplating a 3, 5 or 10- year contract, thinks a 5-year renewable is the best choice and possibly limiting the fuel charges. Commissioners agreed to try a 5-year contract. The service providers may be asked to attend a Council meeting to present their proposals. Comm. Phillip Arp wants a minimum 5-year proposal & two weeks to look at it. Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to table the trash proposal until March 31st. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and the motion was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

None

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT:

Chief Stan Maresch reported in his monthly report that there were 319 calls, 5 accidents,10 arrests, 44 citations and \$3700 court fines. The new officers are doing fine, and all vehicles are in good shape, except for one. He is looking at updating new computers in the vehicles. COP sync will outfit 3 vehicles in the next 3 months. Some of the laptops were bought used and have 5-7 years of service time on them. COP sync can also help the Fire Department and the ambulance. Fire Department can use the old equipment for County use. The Council accepted the report as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan, Darlene and Phillip will be leaving tonight for Austin to spend time with our elected officials. They will be going to the TNCN event.

Bryan reported that the City got funded from the Texas Water Development Board for \$3.3 million in total funding with \$2.2 million of it in grants in the form of loan forgiveness for the Fort Phantom water to Ballinger water treatment plant. The City would be liable for about \$1 million. Bryan will be meeting with Ken Martin about the plans. Bryan wants to go into Executive session next meeting to discuss these plans.

The City will get a new phone system this week from a group out of San Angelo to replace phones donated to us in 1999 by the bank.

Bryan, Stan and Bob went to Brady to a TML problem solving clinic last Friday. Bob thought it was very productive. It was given by an Attorney who had a lot of good information.

The auditors were here all last week from Monday thru Friday. We anticipate we will have the complete audit by March 20th.

Bryan has been visiting with Moody's on the phone reviewing our Credit report.

Atmos Energy is replacing all the steel lines in town. It will take about 2 years to do this. Bryan is asking for a map of their work and meeting with Ken Fischer, so we can coordinate this work and not have to do the streets twice. The issue is repair time on their part. We will be blading Strong Avenue and replacing the whole street but the Atmos will also be replacing lines on this street. This will dictate when City will complete the street improvement project.

City Hall will be closed February 20th for Presidents Day so the next City Council meeting will be Tuesday February 21st at noon due to Taste of Ballinger that night.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS:

Discuss a fine on people who do not get a building permit before starting any construction projects.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:01 p.m. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

Debby Lega

Assistant City Secretary

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

On this the 21st day of February, 2017 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 12:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Mayor
Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2

Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

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City Staff:

Bonita Shields City Secretary
Bryan Grimes City Administrator
Ebb Grindstaff City Attorney
Stanley Maresch Chief of Police

Others present: Julie Prescott, Russell Chancy- COP sync, Mr. and Mrs. Israel Fernandez, John G. Cuellar-Citizens.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 12:05 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. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the February 3, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. **Second by Comm. Phillip Arp** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Israel Fernandez- 201 Strong Avenue- Met with the Council to request that something be done to the street in front of his house. Mr. Fernandez told the Council that there is a big hole between the road and his property that needs to be filled in because his vehicle is getting damaged going across this area. Bryan Grimes told him that he would talk to the street superintendent about the problem and get it taken care of.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER CLOSING PART OF KEMPNER AVENUE BETWEEN SOUTH 7TH AND SOUTH BROADWAY:

Bryan told the Council that this one block area is in the South part of town right before going over the Colorado bridge on Highway 83 toward Paint Rock. The street is dirt and is a big mud hole when it rains. No one uses the road except the people that live in the Housing Authority apartments. The street superintendent has request that the one block Kempner be closed off. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to officially close the one block of Kempner Avenue between South 7th Street and South Broadway. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

Ace Hardware Store- 25'x44'x8' awing for garden center- Part of Lot 3,4-5, Block 6- Original Addition. Located at 610 Hutchings between 6th Street and Broadway \$8,000.00

Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

REVIEW AND APPROVE COP sync POLICE VEHICLE SOFTWARE AND COMPUTER HARDWARE TO INCLUDE IN CAR SOFTWARE/HARDWARE. PURCHASE TO BE MADE UTILIIZING GOVERMENT CAPITOL CORPORATION. COUNSEL APPROVAL ON RESOLUTION FOR

GOVERNMENT CAPITOL FINANCE OPTION FOR LAW ENFORCEMENT SOFTWARE AND EQUIPMENT:

Russell Chancy presented the Council with a presentation to upgrade the COP sync law enforcement software and computers. The equipment that will be installed will be new and fully rugged computers. The old equipment will be placed in the fire department vehicles giving them dispatch accessibility when they are fighting grass fire outside the city limits. He told the Council that there over 600 law enforcement agencies in Texas that use his program, and 17 other area county agencies are using the program except for the City of San Angelo. This program also gives them access to 19 other States along with the FBI. Mr. Chancy also presented the Council with the COP sync 911 program. This program could be installed on all City employees and Council members cell phone giving them immediate access to 911 where ever and whenever they need it. The total cost for all the equipment discussed would be \$89,292.59 at an interest rate of 4.250%. If the City finances through Government Capitol the total cost will be \$98,977.28, with 4 payments of \$ 24,774.32 and the first payment due February16, 2018. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve a contract with COP sync and resolution with Government Capitol to purchase and upgrade vehicle software and computer hardware for the police department fire department and COP sync 911. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan reported on the TMCN meeting that he, Darlene Kelly and Phillip Arp attended last week in Austin, Texas. The R/O filters at the water plant need to be replaced. The cost for the new filters is \$60,000. He has started putting money aside for this purchase. These filters should be replaced about every four years. Studer has planned to build a spec home in the High Pointe addition. The sewer main will be extended to this area. The City crew took bids for the project and the cost was approximately \$60,000. The crew has decided that they could cut that price in half by renting a trencher and laying the 1200' of six-inch pipe themselves. The two lakes are full, and people have started asking about a boat dock at the new lake. He will be having a meeting with Atmos next week about their proposed gas line replacements. The street department has started to make plans to repair the road going down the park hill on Crosson Avenue and the circle road into the park starting on Park Avenue. The auditor should have the audit ready to present by March 20th. The City staff will be having a benefit meal for Anthony Hurst on April 2 at the city hall. Anthony will be released soon and will be staying in Dallas with family for a while.

HERE REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter into executive session at 1:11 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. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 1:44 p.m., and Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:45 p.m. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

Sam M Mayor

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

On this the 6th day of March 2017 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

Phillip Arp

Commissioner # 1

Absent

Commissioner # 2

Bob McDaniel

Commissioner # 3

Eloyed Fuentes

Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields

City Secretary

Bryan Grimes

City Administrator

Absent

City Attorney

Stanley Maresch

Chief of Police

Corey Van Zandt

IT Tech

Others present: Ralph Schafer, Joy McDaniel, Elaine Paske, John Cuellar, Jr.-Citizens.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

Comm. Phillip Arp 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 February 21, 2017 meeting, with corrections as noted. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Elaine Paske and Joy McDaniel met with the Council to make them aware of items that the City Park Board is working on. The circus is scheduled to be in town March 25, 2017 and they have requested access to water, dumpsters for trash and a separate dumpster for animal waste. A clown with the circus will be in town next Wednesday and Elaine plans to take the clown to KRUN, the newspaper and several businesses in town to promote the event.

Elaine and Joy also voiced their concerns about the trash that is being thrown down in the playground area of the park. They would like to see if dumpster could be placed in this area to help with the trash problem. They have received several complaints about the conditions of the streets in the park. Bryan Grimes informed them that it is already on the plans for this spring to repair all roads in the park. They also asked if there could be more police patrol in the park and more lighting placed in certain area of the park for safety concerns. The Council thanked them for the service that they do for the park board and assured them that their concerns would be considered and taken care of.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve the following building permits.

Ballinger Memorial Hospital- 150'x200'x8'- remodel interior and replace plumbing fixtures- Al I of Block 63- Reed Addition. Located at 608 Avenue B \$150,000.00 Johnathan / Kristin Nord- Front and Back Porch- Lots 11-12, Block 1- Fairview Addition. Located at 1800 N. 13th Street \$10,550.00

<u>Johnathan / Kristin Nord-</u> Detached garage- Lots 11-12, Block 1- Fairview Addition. Located at 1800 N. 13th Street \$14,000.00

Edwin Bender- 30'40'x10' 3 car garage- Lot 12, Block 5- Wilke Terrace Addition. Located at 309 Avenue A \$11,200.00

<u>Larry Holder-</u> 21'x24'x10' carport- Tract 1, Block 36- West End Addition. Located at 1600 N. 8th Street \$1,500.00

<u>Teresa Contreras-</u> 12'x24'x8' room addition- Lot 3, Block 14- Wilke III addition. Located at 1205 N. 6th Street \$5,000.00

Ralph Schafer- 25'x22' carport-Part of Lot 9, Block 14- Bowden Addition. Located at 1708 N. 10th Street \$875.00

Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION FROM THE PLANNING & ZONING BOARD'S RECOMMENDATION ON THE FOLLOWING VARIANCE REQUEST:

Steve Nixon reported to the Council that Planning & Zoning met on the request for John Cuellar to install a 28'x24'x9' carport on his property at 306 N. 8th Street. Planning & Zoning denied the variance as presented. The Council did not feel that all the information that was discussed with Mr. Cuellar and the Council at the last Council meeting was presented to the Planning & Zoning board. After discussion Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to table the variance request from John & Kari Cuellar and request that the issue be taken back to the Planning & Zoning board for further consideration with all the facts concerning the issue. Second by Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

Steve Nixon reported to the Council that he could not find anything in the ordinance book that would not allow someone to live in the top of a building located in the downtown area of town. Someone would like to purchase the Marrow building located at 718 Hutchings Avenue, and put living quarters on the second-floor of the building.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON THE REQUEST FROM SAMMY KELLEMEIER FOR THE CITY TO ASSIST IN PAYING FOR A FENCE BETWEEN HIS PROPERTY AND THE CITY'S SEWER FARM PROPERTY:

Bryan Grimes told the Council that Mr. Kellemeier approached him about putting up a fence between his property and the City's property to help keep Otto Gottschalk's cattle off his property. The estimated cost for the fence would be \$3,000.00. After discussion, Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to deny the request. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT ACTIVITY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Stan Maresch reported that the police department issued 74 citations for the month. They collected \$8,100 in court fines, which is more than usual because other counties and cities were having their warrant round up.

Anthony Hurst is still out fighting his cancer issues. The police academy has told Stan that if Anthony is not able to attend school he will not be able to graduate in May 2017.

Sam Batts is out on worker's compensation for a back injury. Sam will see a back specialist next week to see what needs be done to his back. The Council accepted the report as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan presented the financial statement for February 2017 to the Council. He reported that the City has collected approximately 80-90% of the proposed tax revenue, the sales tax revenue is up by \$60,000 compared to last year, the hotel/motel revenue is also up.

The 4" meter that services all the school campuses on the Bronte Highway must be replaced.

Mr. Grimes reported that he will be having a meeting with Tx Dot to discuss possible improvements at the airport. He would like to see about getting more T-hangers, a credit card pump system for aviation fuel sales and upgrade to the airport lounge and bathrooms.

He reminded the Council of the benefit meal for Anthony Hurst on April 2, 2017 at city hall.

The Atmos gas line replacement project has turned from a two-year project to a seven-year project.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL: Indian Field improvements.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

City Attorney was absent therefore the Council did not go into executive session.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:46 p.m. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mailory Mayor

ATTEST:

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

On this the 20th day of March 2017 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

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields

Bryan Grimes

City Secretary

City Administrator

City Attorney

City Attorney

Chief of Police

Steve Nixon Public Works Director

Corey Van Zandt IT Tech

Others present: Justin Busenlehner, Elaine Paske, Carol Stokes, John Cuellar, Jr., Stan Bickel- Citizens

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve the minutes of the March 6, 2017 meeting. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON THE REQUEST TO CLOSE RAILROAD AVENUE BETWEEN 6TH STREET AND BROADWAY FOR THE LONE STAR MARKET EVENT ON APRIL 28-29, 2017:

Stan Bickel met with the Council to request the closing of Railroad Avenue between Broadway and 6th Street on the two days on his Lone Star Market event. He has does this at his previous events and would appreciate being allowed to close the street again. After discussion, **Comm. Phillip Arp** made the motion to approve the request from Stan Bickel to close Railroad Avenue between Broadway and 6th Street on April 28-29, 2017. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTIONS ON THE REQUEST TO MAKE IMPROVEMENTS TO INDIAN FIELD LOCATED ON SEALY AVENUE:

Justin Busenlehner met with the Council to request permission to use you the City's baseball field located on the corner of Sealy Avenue and S. 2nd street. They have so many youths interested in playing that they do not have enough fields to practice on. The field has grown up with weeds and small trees, and he would like to have permission to spray the field to kill the weeds and start working to clear the field to have practice on it. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to grant Justin permission to spray the field to start killing the weeds. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON THE RECOMMENDATION FROM THE PLANNING & ZONING BOARD TO CONSIDER THE VARIANCE REQUEST FROM JOHN & KARI CUELLAR-306 N 8TH STREET- LOT 9,

BLOCK 109-FIRST RAILROAD:

Steve Nixon reported to the Council that the second meeting for the Planning & Zoning was held on March 17, 2017. They looked at case again and still did not feel that the carport should be approve because of the five feet setback requirements between property owners could not be met. The Planning & Zoning Board recommended that the variance request be denied. The Council further discussed the variance, and Comm. Arp asked if the request for Mr. Cuellar to move the carport seven feet off from the house and leave two-half feet between property owners limes. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to grant John Cuellar a variance to build a carport that is seven feet from the house and to-half feet from the side property line. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and the motions carries with Mayor Sam Mallory, Commissioners Phillip Arp and Eloyed Fuentes voting "aye" and Commissioners Bob McDaniel and Darlene Kelly voting "Nay".

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve the following building permit:

John & Kari Cuellar- Carport- Lot 9, Block 106- First Railroad Addition. Located at 306 N. 8th Street between Murrell and Phillips Avenues \$3,500.00 Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON THE AUDIT PRESENTATION FROM **GAYLA FULLERTON, CPA:**

This item was tabled until a further date.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan reported that all six of the new pick-ups have been delivered. The street crew has started making the necessary repairs on 8th street. The new collector on the new meter reading system has gone out and shipped off for repairs. He told the Council that he will be holding the final payment until this issue has been resolved.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL:

Comm. Phillip Arp asked that the City of San Angelo to see how they are getting FEMA to look at their flood plain update.

The Council asked that the City crew contact the owners of the property located in the 100 block of Broadway to see what their plans are concerning the hamburger stand that they started. They are getting a lot of complaints about the condition of the property.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter executive session at 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 6:52 p.m., and Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:53 p.m. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

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

On this the 17th day April, 2017 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

Phillip Arp

Commissioner # 1

Darlene Kelly Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 2

Eloyed Fuentes

Commissioner # 3
Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields

City Secretary

Bryan Grimes

City Administrator

Ebb Grindstaff

City Attorney

Stanley Maresch

Chief of Police

Others present:

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. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the March 20, 2017 meeting. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Stan Maresch reported to the Council that he was considering getting a message alert system for the City of Ballinger. This would allow the police department to send out alerts om active shooters, amber alerts and other problems to the citizens of Ballinger when needed. There are 3-4 companies that he has been in contact with and he will present a report to the Council when he gets more information.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO PASS A RESOLUTION TO APPROVE THE ANNUAL ETHNIC FESTIVAL PARADE ON APRIL 29, 2017:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to pass a resolution to approve the plans for the Chamber to have a parade on April 29, 2017 at 10:00 a.m. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

HEAR AND TAKE ACTION TO ACCEPT THE 2016 FISCAL YEAR AUDIT REPORT FROM GAYLA FULLERTON:

Gayla Fullerton presented the Council with the 2016 fiscal year audit. There were several recommendations that she presented to the Council. She also stated that the overall budget looked better compared to last year and she did not find any problems.

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

DISSCUS AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE THE PLANS FOR MEMORIAL DAY 5K RUN:

Chad McDuffee met with the Council and presented them with a map of the

route that he plans to use for the annual 5K run. This route will not include any State highways and will not need approval from the State. Last year they raised about \$5,000 and it was used to pay scholarships for the William Byler Foundation.

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve the plans as presented. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO CONSIDER APPROVAL OF A MUTUAL AID AGREEMENT WITH WEST CENTRAL TEXAS COUNCIL OF GOVERNMENTS:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the mutual aid agreement with West Central Texas Council of Government as presented. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO CONSIDER ACCEPTANCE OF A BID TO SALE A LOT LOCATED AT 607 N. 13TH STREET:

Mayor Sam Mallory opened the bid that was received. Robert Correa bid \$1,000.00 for the lot located at 607 N. 13th Street. After discussion, **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to accept the \$1,000 bid from Robert Correa. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Chief Maresch had Julie Parsons to come and be introduced to the Council. She is filling in as the animal control officer while Sam Batts is out on worker's compensation from a back injury. He told the Council that he feels that she is doing a fantastic job. She has been cleaning up the shelter and painting the inside of the building. She has been picking up stray animals and making arrangements with other organizations to adopt them out. They will also be looking at making updates to the ordinances soon. Mrs. Parson has worked for the City of San Angelo animal shelter in the past.

Chief Maresch reported that \$8,841.00 was collected in court fines this month. The department answered 287 calls, issued 55 citations and made 9 arrests. He presented the Council with a blue print of the proposed plans for the new police station. They have decided to move the evidence rooms and this will require a 15'x25'slab to be placed in the back of the building. The cost for the slab is approximately \$2,500.00. The Council accepted the report as presented.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

Ed Studer- 67'x52'x9' New house- Lot 6 of the High Pointe Subdivision-Located at 2315 Westwood Place \$300,000.00

Mary Baker- 20'x12'x8' Deck with metal roof- Part of Lots 11-12, Block 2-Wilke Terrace Addition. Located at 405 Avenue A \$4,500.00

Ramon Mota- 20'x20'x12' metal carport- Lot 15, Block 44- Original Addition. Located at 301 S. Broadway \$795.00

<u>Jose Zavala</u>- 18'x27'x8.5' carport-Lots 1-2, Block 8- College Heights. Located at 809 N. Broadway \$2,995.00

<u>Larry Holder</u>- 16'x16'x10' covered porch. Tract 1, Block 36- West End Addition. Located at 1600 N 8th Street \$1,500.00

<u>L.J.Williams</u>- 27'x24'x9' carport- Lots 3-4-5, Block 6- Guion Addition. Located at 601 N. 14th Street \$100.00

<u>Pasty Bomar</u> -12'x32'x9' storage building- Lots 1-2-3, Block 2- Vista Grande Addition. Located 11 Sierra Camino \$8,946.87

Terry & Sammie Day- 18'x35'x8'- Carport- Lot 8, Part 0 9, Block 97- First Railroad Addition. Located at 204 N 11th Street \$1,800.00

Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan presented the Council with a copy of the financial statement for March 2016. Everything looks good and it shows the revenue up by \$41,000 from last year. He received a letter from TX Dot concerning the railroad crossing guard for 10th street. Brent Allen informed him that the Texas Forest Association has offered

them a brush truck for \$20,000.00. This is through a grant but the City will have to pay for the truck up front and get reimbursed after all requirements have been met. The collector for the new meter reading system has been returned and is working great. The RFP's for the garbage collection service will; be ready for review at the May 1 meeting.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to enter executive session at 6:24 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 6:37 p.m., and Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:38 p.m. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

ATTEST:

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

On this the 1st day of May 2017 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
Phillip Arp
Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly
Bob McDaniel
Commissioner # 3

Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields

Bryan Grimes

City Secretary

City Administrator

City Attorney

Chief of Police

Corey Van Zandt IT Tech

Steve Nixon Public Works Director

Others present: Jay Howard- Texas Disposal Systems, Ben Borrego-Borrego Plumbing, Matt Knox, Charles Crumpton- Knox Waster Service, Janet Wilson- Pool Manager, Joe Spanco, Ray Grothaus- Republic Services.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:33 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. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the April 17, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON A REQUEST FROM HOLDEN HRONEK TO HAVE A BENEFIT DANCE FOR DENA KING:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to table this item since no representative was presented. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON A PRESENTATION FROM JANET WILSON ON THE OPERATION OF THE SWIMMINMG POOL THIS YEAR:

Janet Wilson reported that she has five lifeguards coming back from last year and she will be taking ten more kids to get their lifeguard certifications for the season. She plans to open the pool May 26, 2017 with the same schedule as last year, which includes closed on Mondays and open Tuesday- Sunday from 1:00-6:00 p.m. Family night is on Tuesday from 6:00-8:00 p.m., Teen night is on Thursday 8:00-10:00 p.m. and private parties as scheduled. They will be selling season passes again this year for \$100.00 for five family members which allows them access to the pool and putt-putt. They will also be offering adult swim time daily from 8:00am-12.00 noon. She told the Council about the improvements that she would like to make to the building to make it more inviting to the customers. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve the plans for swimming pool operation as present by Janet Wilson. 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:

<u>Don Goehring-</u> 15'x21'x8' carport- Lot 5, Block 126- 1st Railroad Addition. Located at 601 N. 4thn Street \$1,000.00

<u>Jerry Prendez-</u> 20'x20'x9' shed- Lot 6, Block 4- Highland Addition. Located at 1111 N. 14th Street \$1,000.00

<u>Tommy Box-</u> 24'x24'x120' carport-Part of lot 1-2, Block 23- Elm Heights Addition. Located at 803 N. 6th Street \$1,000.00

Benjamin Borrego- 30'x50'x12' plumbing shop- Lot 19, Block 5- Original Addition. Located at 116 N. 6TH Street \$35,000.00

<u>Carlos Martinez-</u> 15'x20'6"x8" carport- All of Lot 1, Part of Lot 2, Block B- Fairview Addition. Located at 1901 N. 9th Street \$1,000.00

Second by Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON THE RFP'S RECEIVED FOR GARBAGE COLLECTION IN THE CITY OF BALLINGER:

There were three companies that presented proposals to the Council for garbage collection.

The following is a copy of the worksheet that was presented to the Council for the residential cost

Residential Current Rate: \$20.50 / Customer / Month

Organization	Container Type / Household	Frequency		YR 1		YR2		YR3		VR4	YRS	Rate Adjustment
Texas Disposal Systems (TDS)	(1) 3 CY / 4 Households	1 Time Per Week	5	27.80	5	28.77	5	29.78	\$	30.82	\$ 31.90	3.5 % Annual Adjustment (Noted)
Texas Disposal Systems (TDS)	96 Gallon Cart (No Dumpsters)	1 Time Per Week	\$	27.80	S	28.77	5	29.78	\$	30.82	\$ 31.90	
												Either 3% Annual or 4% per Trash
Republic Services	CURRENT SERVICE	1 Time Per Week	\$	15.75	\$	16.22	5	16.71	\$	17.21	\$ 17.73	Collection Index (3% Noted)
Republic Services	96 Gallon Cart (No Dumpsters) (1) 1.5 CY / 2 households;	1 Time Per Week	\$	12.25	\$	12.62	S	13.00	5	13.39	\$ 13.79	
Republic Services	(1) 3 CY / 3 -4 Housholds	1 Time Per Week	s	12.75	5	13.13	s	13.53	\$	13.93	5 14.35	

Price fixed for 18 months. Contractor will provide written evidence of cost increases. Cost increases are: Landfill costs, fuel costs, labor costs, taxes and insurance, or increased distance to disposal site.

The commercial rates were also discussed with all three companies. They all agreed tom review them commercial rates with each business to make sure that they have them dumpster they need and a fair cost for the service. After the presentations and discussion, **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to table any action on the proposals until the next meeting. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan informed the Council about the sinkhole in front of 700 3rd Street. The street department haul truck broke down in Leakey, Texas and had to be put in the shop for repairs. He informed them of a training class he will be attending June 30th, and the Texas City Manager's Conference on June 22-23-24, 2017 in Austin, Texas. He will have the monthly financial statement ready for review at the next meeting. He informed the Council that he will be hiring Julie Parsons as the new animal control officer effective immediately.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL:

Steve Nixon told the Council that something needs to be done with the picnic table in the city park. There are thirty-nine concrete tables and twenty-one of them are either broken or needs some repairs made to them. All the trees need to be trimmed and seven dead trees need to be removed. We get a lot of visitors in the park and he feel that these two items need to be taken care of to keep the park in good shape.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Phillip Arp 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. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:08 p.m., and Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:09 p.m. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

ATTEST:

City Secretary

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

On this the 15th day of May 2017 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

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields
Bryan Grimes
City Secretary
City Administrator
City Attorney
Chief of Police
Corey Van Zandt
City Attorney
Chief of Police
IT Tech

Others present: Jennie Fulton, Gina King, Robert Langston, Jerrie Wiley-Citizens, Ray Grothaus-Republic Services.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 1, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Gina King- 20 Sierra Camino- Met with the Council to show her support for Republic as the garbage collection service company. She has been a citizen in Ballinger 50 years and been a property owner for 30 plus years. She has never had or heard any complaints against Republic Services and she believes that shows them to be a responsible, respectful, and resourceful company for Ballinger. She asked that the Council to accept the contract of Republic Services.

Jennie Fulton- 801 Country Club Road- Told the Council that she was in support of Republic to continue the garbage collection in Ballinger to a degree. She

understands that there some financial concerns. She has not complaints against Republic Service but if the rates are increased that is going to push the minimum bill to over \$100 per month and make it hard for the citizens that are on fixed incomes.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

Ballinger Home Health- Parking garage with roof- Lot 17, Block 9- Original Addition.

Located at 102 N. 9th Street \$40,000.00

<u>Sherry Miller-</u> Shed in a box- Part of Lot 6, All of Lot 7, Block 35- Original Addition. Located at 206 S. 10th Street \$200.00

<u>Kim Alan & Linda Grady-</u> Portable barn- Lots 4-5, Block Fairview Addition. Located at 2005 N. 9th Street \$2,500.00

St. Mary's Church- 22'x66'x16' metal building- Part of the JM Caldwell Abstract 71, Survey 367. Located at 605 N. 5th Street \$500.00

Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON PROPOSED CONTRACTS FOR A COMMUNITY ALERT SYSTEM:

Stanley Maresch presented the Council with two proposals for a community alert system. Nixle proposal was for \$5,500 per year for three years with a \$440.00 one-time implementation and set up fee. The other proposal was from Code Red in the amount of \$3,788 per year for three years. This system would allow information for weather alerts, amber alerts, active shooter alerts, grass fires and many other alerts that would need to be reported to the citizens. Chief Maresch told the Council that he felt that Nixle would provide better service for the needs of Ballinger. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to table the decision on the issue for the City Attorney to review both contracts. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Stanley Maresch presented the Council with the monthly police activity report. The report shows that the department worked 13 accidents, answered 345 calls, made 7 arrests, and wrote 79 citations. The animal control is working great. Julie Parsons has started an adoption program with other organizations and she has not put any animals down since she started. The Council accepted the report as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan presented the Council with the monthly financial statement. The reports show that everything is looking good. The City received a good sales tax check this month for approximately \$141,000. We will have to make bond payment in June, and we have a truck in the street department that needs repairs. The paving project for the summer include zipping up part of 11th Street from the little league field to Conda Avenue and the road to the city park starting on 4th Street to the other end on Park Avenue. Bryan told the Council that he has hired high school kids to keep up with the mowing this summer.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly 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 hear update on alternative water resources. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:49 p.m., and Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

REMOVE FROM THE TABLE TO DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO APPROVE SELECTION OF A COMPANY FOR GARBAGE COLLECTION SERVICES IN BALLINGER:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to authorize the Mayor to sign a new contract with Republic Services for the City garbage collection service contingent on the proposal reflecting the contract. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and the motion carries with Commissioners Phillip Arp, Bob McDaniel and Eloyed Fuentes voting "Aye" and Commissioner Darlene Kelly and Mayor Sam Mallory voting "Nay". The effective dates for this contract is September 1, 2017 through October 1, 2022.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:51 p.m. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory Mayor

ATTEST:

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

On this the 5th day of June 2017 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 Commissioner # 1 Phillip Arp Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2 Bob McDaniel Commissioner #3 Commissioner # 4 Absent

City Staff:

Bonita Shields City Secretary Bryan Grimes City Administrator Absent City Attorney Stanley Maresch Chief of Police

Others present: Brent Allen, Jordan Burrell- 7th Street Baptist Church.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the May 15, 2017 meeting, with several noted corrections. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Brent Allen met with the Council to let them know that he will be requesting to be put on the next agenda to request permission for 7th Street Baptist Church to have a neighborhood parade for July 4th.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION TO CONSIDER OFFERING SUMMER **WATER RATES:**

Bryan Grimes presented the Council with a spread sheet to show the different proposed revenues for a summer rate on water. The current rate is \$7.80 per thousand for anything over the minimum 3,000 gallons. If the Council decides to approve the summer rates Bryan stated that he felt the rates should be for July. August and September billings. He would rather for the customers to use the water than lose it from evaporation. The rates that he asked the Council to consider are as follows:

\$6.00 per thousand after the 3,000 minimum \$104,176.13 \$5.80 per thousand after the 3,000 minimum \$106,362.31 \$5.00 per thousand after the 3,000 minimum \$101,625.58

This would be a good experiment to see if the lower rates would encourage the customers to use more water and help keep their yards and trees a little greener. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve the summer water rates of \$40.00 for the first 3,000 gallons of water and \$5.80 per thousand thereafter. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON THE CONTRACT WITH REPUBLIC SERVICES FOR GARBAGE DISPOSAL SERVICES:

Bryan told the Council that he has had Pat Chesier looking over the contract

with Republic Services. He felt that the City should get clarification of Section 13.3 Modification to Rates. After discussion, **Comm. Phillip Arp** made the motion to table any action on the contract with Republic Services for further review of the contract. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

William Jones- 24'x12'x7' metal carport- Lot 6, Block 6- Park Heights. Located at 703 N. 3rd Street \$1,875.00

<u>Tony Diaz-</u> Renewal of carport 20'x14'x9.5' carport- Part of the Thos. Largent Addition. Located at 501 13th Street \$1,000.00

<u>Bud & Sue Yancy-</u> 24'x24'x10' double carport- Lot 7, Block 10- college Heights Addition. Located at 1004 N. 7th Street \$2,500.00

<u>Don Goehring-</u> 10'x21'x8' Metal roof for Carport- Lot 2, Block 7- Miller Addition. Located at 707 N. 11th Street \$ 500.00

Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

REMOVE FROM THE TABLE TO DISCUSS AND TAKE ACTION ON PROPOSED CONTACT FOR COMMUNITY ALERT SYSTEM:

No action taken

HEAR THE POLICE DEPARTMENT MONTHLY REPORT:

Stanley Maresch presented the Council with the monthly police activity report. The report shows that the department made 15 arrests, answered 373 calls and issued 87 citations. The animal control is doing well. Since Julie started to work she has only had to put down one animal and the others have been adopted out. They are looking a buying more cage kennels for storing of the animals that are picked up. Stanley told the Council that he interviewed three people for the patrolman position.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan presented the Council with the financial statement for May 2017. We will be making approximately \$570,000 bond payments in June 2017. We received \$141,000 in sales tax. The swimming pool is doing great. The street department has started zipping up 11th street between Avenues A and D. There will be no Council meeting for July 3, 2017 because of the holiday.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL:

Dewayne Schafer has donated 40 feet section of 6inch pipe to the City to help out building back stops.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No executive session.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No action taken.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:25 p.m. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

Mayor

ATTEST:

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

On this the 19th day of June 2017 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

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields City Secretary
Bryan Grimes City Administrator
Ebb Grindstaff City Attorney
Chris Sargent Sergeant

Others present: Robert Langston, Dusty Kresta, James Beddo, Brent Allen, Julie Parsons, Shelby Flores- 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. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 5, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

DISCUSS AND ACT ON A PRESENTATION FROM SHELBY FLORES AND RICHARD PARRA ON THEIR PROPOSED TMCN LEADERSHIP PROGRAM PROJECT:

Shelby Flores presented the proposed project for their TMCN leadership project. Shelby told the Council that they would like to put up mile markers for the people that walk and run in the park. They have also thought about putting up work out equipment for people to work out their abs, arms and legs on. Another idea was to put asphalt sidewalks for people to use running down the park hill on Crosson Avenue. After discussion, Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the proposed plans for improvement to the city park through the TMCN leadership project. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE REQUEST OF 7^{TH} STREET BAPTIST CHURCH TO HAVE A 4^{TH} OF JULY PARADE ON 7^{TH} STREET BETWEEN HARRIS AND HAMILTON AVENUES:

Brent Allen presented the Council with the route for the 4th of July parade that 7th Street Baptist Church would like to have. The route included starting on Harris Avenue and travel down 7th Street to the church on Hamilton Avenue. They will allow bicycles, dogs on leashes, golf carts and 4wheelers to be lead off by the fire truck. The church has off premise insurance for coverage in case of any accidents. After discussion, Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the parade, route and use of the fire truck for the 7th Street Baptist Church neighborhood parade. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE JOINT ELECTION CONTRACT WITH RUNNELS COUNTY FOR THE NOVEMBER 7, 2017 GENERAL ELECTION:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve the joint election contract with Runnels. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON AMMENDMENT TO THE ANIMAL CONTROL CONTRACT WITH THE CITY OF MILES:

Julie Parsons presented the Council with the following amendment to the inter-local agreement with the City of Miles.

In the event of the City of Miles having an animal that is adoptable and the City of Miles cannot find a foster home for said animal, the Ballinger Animal Control may house said Animal for adoption under these guidelines:

- 1. Said animal will be inspected by the Ballinger Animal Control Officer (ACO) to be deemed suitable for adoption
- 2. The Ballinger ACO reserves the right to refuse an animal if they deemed the animal maybe sick, unadoptable, or housing in the Ballinger animal shelter is limited.
- 3. An owner release form shall be completed if the said animal was turned over by owner.
- 4. If the animal is stray, a standard stray hold and procedure will be effect in attempt to locate an owner. If the owner is located, proper paper work, vaccinations and impound fee will be the owner's responsibility.
- If an owner has not been found, the City of Miles shall pay for housing of said animal, \$10.00 per day, until the animal is place in a foster home or adopted out.
- 6. In the event of an animal that was brought by the City of Miles and said animal becomes sick or injured while in custody of the Ballinger ACO, the City of Miles shall be notified and responsible for the cost of veterinary bill and/or euthanasia of the sick or injured animal.

After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve the amendments as presented. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE DEPOSITORY CONTRACT WITH BALLINGER NATIONAL BANK:

Bryan explained to the Council that the depository contract with Ballinger National Bank expires June 19, 2017. The City will have to put a notice out for bids allowing all interested banks the opportunity to reply. Ballinger National is willing to extend the present contract for six months allowing Bryan time to prepare RFP's and put the required notices in the paper. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to extend the depository contract with Ballinger National Bank for six months and advertise for a new depository contract. Second by Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

Rodney Fenwick-18'x21'x6' metal carport- Part of Lots 8-9, Block 44-Nurkhart Subdivision of West End. Located at 1504 Avenue A \$1,062.16 Larry Notch-20'x20'x8' carport- Lot 4, block 1- Park Height Addition \$2,000.00 Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve the following building permit contingent on a variance approval from the Planning & Zoning board. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was approved

James & Jeanette Beddo12'x21'x12' metal carport- Part of 9, All of Lot 10, Block 1- Wilke Terrace Addition. Located at 403 Avenue B
\$800.00

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan reported on the sales tax revenue received for the month. The 11th Street paving project is going along well and should be completed sometime after the 4th of July holiday. He also reported to the Council pf the meeting that he will be attending within the next several weeks. The annual CCR report will be mailed out later this month. Bryan suggested that the Council not meet again until July 17, 2017 because of the holiday.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:32 p.m. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

ATTEST:

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

On this the 17th day of July 2017 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 Phillip Arp

Mayor

Phillip Arp
Darlene Kelly
Bob McDaniel

Eloved Fuentes

Commissioner # 1
Commissioner # 2

Commissioner # 3
Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Bryan Grimes City Secretary
City Administrator
City Attorney

Ebb Grindstaff Stanley Maresch

Chief of Police

Others present: Robert Langston, Clyde Kresta, Lana Jones, Bobby Jones, Amiee Plant, Skylar Plant, Tammie Virden, Dusty Kresta, Brent Allen- Citizens, Joe Spano, Ray Grothaus- Republic Services.

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. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the June 19, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

HEAR AND ACT ON COMPLAINT FROM BOBBY JONES- 608 BROADWAY- CONCERNING A PLUMBING BILL:

Bobby Jones met with the Council to complain about a \$400 plumbing bill that he received from Moore Plumbing. He told the Council that he felt that the City should take of this bill because the City's main line was stopped up and caused his sewer line to be stopped up. The Council questioned why the bill was \$400 and what services Moore Plumbing provided him if it was the City's line that was stopped up. Toby Moore was invited to be at the meeting but declined to attend. Clyde showed the Council the collections of some the items that was removed from the sewer line. The city crew has also installed a clean out in the alley down from Mr. Jones house. After discussion, Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to table the issue and take the bill up with Moore's Plumbing for an explanation. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

HEAR AND ACT ON REQUEST FROM AIMEE PLANT TO REPAIR THE SIDEWALKS IN THE 100 BLOCK OF 8TH STREET:

Aimee presented the Council with pictures of the sidewalks in the 100 block of 8th street. She told the Council that she felt that something needs to be done to improve the condition of the sidewalks before someone get hurt from tripping in the cracks. She also felt that this would improve the appearance of the town for the people that shop in this area. The Council told Ms. Plant that they did not see anything wrong with looking at the problem to see what the solution could be and the cost for the project and funding. After discussion, **Comm. Phillip Arp** made the motion to table the issue and authorize Bryan Grimes to look for information and

report back to Council. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT TO PASS AN ORDER FOR THE CITY OFFICER'S ELECTION FOR NOVEMBER 7, 2017:

Bryan reported that the seats that are up for election this year is the Mayor, Single Member District 1 and Single Member District 2. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to pass an order to call the City Officer's election for November 7, 2017. Second by Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

Central Texas Nursing & Rehab- 10'x12'x7' storage shed- Part of Lots 1-5, All of Lots 6-9, Part of Lots 10-11, All of Lots 12-15, Block 66- Cameron Sub-division of West End. Located at 1800 Broadway between Country Club Road and Avenue E.

Minnie Cortez- 10'x25'x8' carport- Lot 11, Block 28- Original Addition. Located at 400 Sealy Avenue \$900.00

Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Chief Maresch report that the department made 25 arrests of which 10 were drug related, and 5 DWI. They issued 137 warrants and wrote tickets for 86 citations and the municipal court collected \$8,137.00 from fines and tickets. The Chief also reported that he has ordered body cameras for all the officers in the department for a cost of \$5,000-\$6,000. The theft of tire and rims from Toliver Brothers has been solved. Comm. Bob McDaniel asked if the mileage for the animal control officer could be included in the monthly report. The Council accepted the report as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan reported to the Council that lowered the water rates did not increase the water consumption for the month. The benches and trash receptacles for Hutchings and 8th Street should be arriving soon. He has asked the employee that was living at the airport house to leave. He was not doing the job of keeping the grounds mowed, servicing the runway lights and pumping aviation fuel for customers as needed. There will have to be some repairs made to the house and he plans to rent the house for \$300.00 per month. The TMK conference is in Huston, Texas this year on October 3-5, 2017. The street department has finished the paving project on 11th Street and they plan to start on the city park hill on Crosson Avenue.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to enter executive session at 7:09 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney review the contract with Republic Services for garbage collection services. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:30 p.m., and Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to enter executive session at 7:34 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 7:42 p.m., and Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:44 p.m. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

ATTEST:

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

On this the 7th day of August 2017 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

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields

Bryan Grimes

Ebb Grindstaff

Stanley Maresch

City Secretary

City Administrator

City Attorney

Chief of Police

Corey VanZandt IT Tech

Steve Nixon Public Works Director

Others present: Bobby Jones, Robert Langston, Brent Allen- Citizens

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the July 17, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Bobby Jones met with the Council to thank them for allowing him the opportunity to speak at the last meeting and stated that hopefully with the installation of the clean out in the alley he won't have any more problems with his sewer line backing up.

Steve Nixon showed the Council several videos that he had found that he felt would be helpful in solving the sidewalk issue downtown. The Council was impressed and asked him to gather more information and cost associated with this project.

CONSIDER/DISCUSS AND/OR TAKE ACTIONS TO AUTHORIZE THE CITY MANAGER TO SEEK PROPPOSALS FOR ADMINISTRATIVE SERVICES AND ENGINEERING SERVICES FOR OUR DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROGRAM 2017:

Ken Martin found a program with the Texas Department of Agriculture that has funds for downtown revitalization program grant. The Council would have to pass a resolution to start the application process. After discussion, **Comm. Darlene Kelly** made the motion to approve the resolution to start the application process. **Second by Comm. Phillip Arp** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

Mary Ann Stiefel- 10'x10'x8' carport- Lots 2-5, Block 8- Wilke I Addition. Located at 1205 Largent Avenue \$100.00 Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FORM CHIEF STANLEY MARSECH:

Stanley reported that the police department answered 383 calls, made 19 arrests of which 9 were drugs related. They worked 4 accidents and collected approximately \$6,000 in court fine. The oldest patrol car had broken down and they possible will be looking to see if there are funds available through the USDA grants. The Council accept the report as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan presented the Council with the monthly financials. He reported that the haul truck is broken down which has put a stop on the paving in the park. The sewer lift station in the park has been moved to the other side of the road for easier access. One of the a/c units at the community center had to be repaired. The runway lights at the airport have all been replaced.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL:

The required signatures for the local liquor option election was turned in on July 21, 2017. An order to call the election will be presented to the Council at the next meeting on August 21st.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:03 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 6:08 p.m., and Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:08 p.m. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

ATTEST:

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

On this the 21st day of August 2017 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

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields City Secretary
Bryan Grimes City Administrator
Ebb Grindstaff City Attorney
Stanley Maresch Chief of Police

Others present: Bobby Jones, Lana Jones, Robert Langston, Brent Allen-Citizens, Joe Spano, Ray Grothaus- Republic Services, William B. Chesser-Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the August 7, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

PASS AN ORDER TO CALL THE LOCAL OPTION LIQUOR ELECTION FOR NOVEMBER 7, 2017:

Bonita Shields reported to the Council that the petition has been received and the required signatures have been verified and now the City should pass an order to call the election for the voter to decide on. After discussion, **Comm. Phillip Arp** made the motion to pass the order to call the local option liquor election for November 7, 2017. **Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly** and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT TO APPROVE CITIZEN'S PARTICIPATION PLAN IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE CITY'S 2017 DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION PROGRAM GRANT APPLICATION:

There was a public hearing held at 5:15 p.m. for this project. There was no one from the public present at the meeting. This is part of the process for the grant. There should be a review committee appointed and Bryan suggested that it be Sam Mallory, Bonita Shields and Bryan Grimes. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to appoint the mayor, city secretary and city manager as the review board, and authorize approval of the Citizen Participation Plan Texas Community Development Block Grant Program. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT TO APPROVE THE REQUEST FOR PROPOSAL FOR BANKING SERVICES:

Bryan reported that he has put the proper notice in the local newspaper to advertise for a depository bank for the City of Ballinger. This is a requirement through the Public Investment Act. RFP's will be sent to the three local banks for their consideration. **Comm. Darlene Kelly** made the motion to approve the request for proposals for banking services. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

None

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan presented the Council with the 2018 proposed budget figures. He asked that the Council look them over and get in contact with him if they had questions or concerns. He explained how the City property tax rate is figured and the dates of September 5th for the first public hearing on the tax rate, September 12th for the second tax rate hearing and September 18th for setting the tax rate and adopting the 2018 fiscal year budget. He also explained that there is a half cents sales rate that Runnels County has access to for a reduction on the county tax rate. If the City had this half cents, it would generate and extra \$400-\$500 thousand additional annual revenue that could be used for street paving, in fracture improvements, and downtown rehabilitation.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL:

Commissioner Bob McDaniel asked if the City could consider making some improvements to the lake park area to make it more inviting for people to use. The Council wished Darlene Kelly a happy birthday.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:03 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to remove from the table and review the contract with Republic for garbage collections services. **Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly** and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:22 p.m., and Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve the contract with Republic Services for the garbage collection service in Ballinger. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved

ADJOURN:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:23 p.m. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayof

ATTEST:

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

On this the 5th day of September 2017 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

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Absent Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields City Secretary
Bryan Grimes City Administrator
Ebb Grindstaff City Attorney
Stanley Maresch Chief of Police

Steve Nixon Public Works Director

Corey Van Zandt IT Tech

Others present: Lana Jones, Bobby Jones, Theresa McDaniel, Amanda Collom- Citizens, Dustin Kresta, Robert Langston, Brent Allen- Ballinger Fire Dept.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 5:32 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. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the August 21, 2017 meeting with noted correction. Second by Comm. Phillip and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Bobby Jones met with the Council to request to be put on the next agenda for concerning EAA regulations.

He also told the Council that he would like to be considered for the certified pool operator position.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON RESOLUTION FOR SLUM/BLIGHT:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the resolution for slum/blight associated with the down town sidewalk project. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON RESOLUTION FOR ADMINISTRATIVE/ENGINEERING PROCUREMENT:

Bryan reported that we only received one RFP for engineering from Jacob & Martin, and one for administration from A.J. Howco. The City contribution to this project would be \$75,000. The engineering cost is \$40,000 and the balance can be done with in-kind services by the City crew. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve the resolution. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

<u>Matthew Seymore-</u> 24'x20'x8' carport- Part of Abs 366, Survey 357 of the Thos. Largent Survey. Located at 105 Sargent Avenue \$ 1,500.00

Adolfo, Jr and Vicki Narro- 12'x20'x8' enclosed shed addition to carport- Lot 9, Block 102-First Railroad Addition. Located at 304 N. 12th Street \$800.00

Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE ACTIVITY REPORT FROM THE BALLINGER FIRE DEPARTMENT FROM ASST. CHIEF BRENT ALLEN:

Brent Allen presented the Council with the first activity report for the fire department. The fire department has agreed to report to the Council on a semi-annual basis. The report show that the department answered the following calls in the past three years:

2015- 36 calls for the City and 30 calls for the County- 6 structure calls

2016-43 calls for the City and 38 calls for the County-4 structure calls

2017- 29 calls for the City and 42 calls for the County- 1 structure calls They have received approximately \$310,164 from the Texas Forest for equipment. The City's current fire insurance rate is at 6%, which is about average in the state of Texas.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan report to the Council that the financial statement for the month of August will be presented at the meeting on September 18th. The paving of the road in the city park is moving along great. The street crew will repave the road starting on 4th Street and circling to the middle road in the park. There will be one more public hearing on September 12th and the Council can adopt the City tax rate for 2017 and approve the 2018 fiscal year budget at the meeting on September 18th.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Stan reported that he did not have the monthly police activity report. The Chamber of Commerce is scheduling a National Night Out for October 3, 2017, which the police department will be participating in. He is in the process of getting a Neighborhood Watch program started. Cop Sync is moving forward and should be installed soon.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FOR CITY COUNCIL:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

No need for executive session.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:13 p.m. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

Mayor

ATTEST:

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

On this the 18th day of September 2017 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

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2 Darlene Kelly Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3 Commissioner # 4 Eloyed Fuentes

City Staff:

Bonita Shields City Secretary Bryan Grimes City Administrator Ebb Grindstaff City Attorney Stanley Maresch Chief of Police Corey Van Zandt IT Tech

Others present: Bobby Jones, Rick Morrish- Citizens, Dustin Kresta, Brent Allen, Robert Langston- Fire Dept.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the September 5, 2017 meeting. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

CONSIDER A REQUEST TO WAIVE THE CLEANING LIEN FEE ON PROPERTY LOCATED AT 600 S BROADWAY BELONGING TO MT. MORIAH **BAPTIST CHURCH:**

Bonita Shields reported to the Council that Apostle Boone requested that the Council consider waiving the \$4,740.93 cleaning lien that is assessed against the property located at 600 S. Broadway. The City cleaned the property when the church that was located there fell in. They will never be financially able to pay this lien and would like for the Council to consider waiving it. Steve Nixon pointed out to the Council that he did not feel this was a good idea since the City has been keeping the property mowed and cleaned. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to waive the lien in lieu of the property being deeded to the City of Ballinger. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE EAA PRESENTATION FROM BOBBY JONES:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to table the issue because Mr. Jones left the meeting. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER CLOSING THREE STREET AROUND DANKWORTH PACKING COMPANY:

Ebb Grindstaff reported to the Council that Mike Dankworth is in the process of trying to sell Dankworth Packing Company located on Eubank Avenue between 16th and 17th Streets. A survey was done on the property and it shows that part of his building is located on a section of these three streets that they are requesting to be closed. They have never been opened to the public and would not cause a problem to be closed. After discussion, **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** made the motion to approve a resolution to close three street adjacent to Dankworth Packing building. **Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly** and was unanimously approved. A copy of the map is attached and made a part of the minutes.

DISCUSS AND ACT TO PASS AN ORDINANCE TO SET THE CITY TAX RATE FOR 2017:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to pass an ordinance to set the 2017 City tax rate at \$0.532428 per \$100 valuation. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and the motion carries with Mayor Sam Mallory, Commissioners Phillip Arp, Darlene Kelly, Bob McDaniel and Eloyed Fuentes all voting "AYE".

DISCUSS AND ACT TO ADOPT THE 2018 FISCAL YEAR BUDGET:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the 2018 fiscal year budget. Second by Comm. Phillip and the motion carries with Mayor Sam Mallory, Commissioners Phillip Arp, Darlene Kelly, Bob McDaniel and Eloyed Fuentes all voting "AYE".

DISCUSS AND ACT TO CHANGE SECTION 3.08 OF THE PERSONNEL POLICY TO CHANGE THE VACATION CARRY OVER DATE FROM OCTOBER 1 TO JANUARY 1 OF EACH YEAR:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to amend the personnel policy to change the vacation carry over date from October 1 to January 1 of each year. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

Steve Gray- Roof replacement- Lot 7, Block 122- First Railroad Addition. Located at 502 N. 6th Street \$10,000.00

Melvin Hronek-20'x24'x10' Garage- Lot 6, Block 9- Wilke Terrace Addition Located at 300 Sharp Avenue \$10,000.00

Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTH REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Stan reported that with school starting back up things have slowed down. The police department and chamber of commerce will be having the first National Night Out on October 3, 2017, and hopefully will have a good turnout. The police department worked 12 arrests, answered 347 calls and \$7337.00 was collected for court fines. The Council accepted the report as presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan reported that the City received \$53,231 in sales tax for the month, which shows that the City received \$1,049,734 for the year. The street department plans to finish the roads in the city park after the 1st of October. He told the Council that he needs to know who is planning to attend the TML conference starting October 3- October 6 in Houston, Texas. He does not feel that there is enough community support to continue with pursing the sidewalk project now. He would like to have the Council meeting for October 2, 2017 at noon.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL:

Steve Nixon brought it to the Council's attention that there are people that are living in homes with no utilities. He has not been able to find anything in the ordinance book that addresses this issue, but he feels that it is something that needs to be looked at for health hazard and safety reasons.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:11 p.m. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly 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 2nd day of October 2017 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 12:00p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Mayor

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields

Bryan Grimes

City Secretary

City Administrator

City Attorney

Chief of Police

Corey VanZandt IT Tech

Others present: Amanda Collom- Citizen, Brent Allen, Clyde Kresta, Robert Langston- Fire Dept.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 12:04 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the September 16, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

DISCUSS AND ACT ON A CONTRACT WITH RUNNELS COUNTY FOR THE ANNUAL DISPATCHING SERVICE:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve the annual dispatching contract with Runnels County. Second by Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved. The City cost for this service is \$45,000.00.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON A CONTRACT WITH RUNNELS COUNTY FOR THE ANNUAL RURAL FIRE PROTECTION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the rural fire protection contract with Runnels County. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved. The contribution from the County is \$10,500 annual. Comm. Phillip Arp asked the fire department to give a report on what contribution other cities our size received from other counties. The Ballinger fire department reported that 48% of the fires that are called out to are rural fires.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON A CONTRACT WITH GAYLA FULLERTON TO PERFORM THE AUDIT ON THE CITY FINANICAL RECORDS FOR THE FISCAL YEAR 2017:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to approve a contract with Gayla Fullerton to conduct the audit on the books for the fiscal year ending September 30, 2017. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved. The cost for the audit is \$20,200.00.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE BANK DEPOSITORY CONTRACT RECEIVED:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the contract with Ballinger National Bank for a five-year bank depository contract ending October 1, 2022. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON APPROVAL OF THE HOLIDAY SCHEDULE FOR 2018:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve the following 2018 holiday calendar as presented. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

January 1 New Year's Day

January 15 Martin Luther King Day

February 19 President's Day
March 30 Good Friday
May 28 Memorial Day
July 4 Independence Day

September 3 Labor Day October 8 Columbus Day

November 12 Veteran's Day (observed)

November 22-23 Thanksgiving Day and the day after

December 24 Christmas Eve December 25 Christmas Day

December 31 New Year's Eve (observed)

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

None

REMOVE FROM THE TABLE TO DISCUSS AND ACT ON RESCINDING THE VOTE TO WAIVE THE CLEANING LIEN ON MT. MORIAH BAPTIST CHURCH:

Item was left on the table because Theodore Boone could not attend the meeting.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan reported that he and four other people will be leaving for the TML conference in Houston, Texas in the morning around 9:00a.m. He will present the Council with the monthly financial at the next meeting.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL: None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to enter into executive session at 12:19 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.071 Consultation with City Attorney to discuss pending litigation on Ricky Nombrano accident. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 12:56 p.m., and Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:57 p.m. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallo

Mayo

ATTEST

Bonita F. Shields

City Secretary

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

On this the 16th day of October 2017 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

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields

Bryan Grimes

City Secretary

City Administrator

City Attorney

Chief of Police

Corey Van Zandt IT Tech

Others present: Rick Morrish, Brandon Fulton, Brent Allen, Jason Gore, Robert Langston, Stan Bickel, Amanda Collom- Citizen.

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. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 2, 2017 meeting, with note of one correction. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Brent Allen presented the Council with an update of the cost to the department for fighting rural fires.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE REQUEST FROM STAN BICKEL TO CLOSE PARK AVENUE BETWEEN BROADWAY AND 6TH STREET FOR THE HUNT AND GATHER EVENT ON OCTOBER 27-28, 2017:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to grant the request of Stan Bickel to close Railroad Avenue between Broadway and 6th Street on October 27-28, 2017. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT TO APPOINT JOHN MCALISTER AND LANA FLINT TO THE BALLINGER HOUSING AUTHORITY BOARD:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to appoint John McAlister and Lana Flint to the Ballinger Housing Authority Board for a two-year term ending February 4, 2019. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER AN UPDATE ON COP-SYNC:

Sam Mallory reported that he and Bryan received information that Cop-Sync had filed Chapter 11 Bankruptcy. They were told that there has alleged funds mishandling at the top ranks of the company. Mallory still feels that Cop-Sync has a good and much needed product for the police department. This is the company that we have been in contact with to furnish a communication system for the police department. Bryan Grimes stated that he felt 60-90 days turn-around is being very optimistic and that he felt it would be more like six months to 1 year before the bankruptcy problem is solved. Government Capitol will not fund this project now because of the bankruptcy case. Stan Maresch asked the Council to consider purchasing the equipment only which is furnished by a third-partied the equipment with Group Mobile for approximately \$42,000. The department is having lots of

problems with the computers in the vehicles. After discussion, Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to update the contact with Government Capitol to purchase the hardware only and table purchasing the Cop-Sync software at this time. Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON WINTER WATER RATES:

Darlene Kelly made the motion to pass an ordinance to go back to the winter rates of \$40.00 for the first three thousand gallons of water and \$7.80 per thousand for every thousand thereafter effective with the December 1, 2017 billing. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

None

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Stan reported that the first family night event was held on October 3, 2017. They had a good turnout and have made plans to have it again next year. There was about 150 people in attendance.

The police department worked 110 citations, made 18 arrests and worked 14 accidents. The court fines collected was \$7,600.00.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan presented the Council with the financial statement for September 30, 2017. He hired a part-time employee for the street department. The overall budget ended in the hole by 3%. The street department made improvements to more streets than the budget called for and they also moved the RV sewer dump station in the city park. There was a shortage of revenue collected for court fines, but the sales tax revenue was up for the second year in a row.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:10 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 Consider accepting the resignation of Bryan Grimes. Second by Comm. Phillip Arp 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. Phillip Arp made the motion to accept the resignation of Bryan Grimes as the City Administrator effective December 1, 2017. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to enter into executive session at 6:45 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 Consider appointing an interim City Administrator for the City. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 7:23 p.m., and Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

ADJOURN:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:25 p.m. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

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

On this the 30th day of October 2017 the Ballinger City Council met in special-called session at 12:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory

Mayor

Phillip Arp
Darlene Kelly
Bob McDaniel

Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2

Commissioner # 2

Eloyed Fuentes

Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields

City Secretary

Bryan Grimes

City Administrator

Ebb Grindstaff

City Attorney

Others present: None

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 12:03 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.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to enter into executive session at 12:04 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. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 12:35 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. Phillip Arp made the motion to authorize Bryan Grimes to sign a raw water contract with the City of Abilene, and to appoint Jacob & Martin, LLC as the engineers for the project. **Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly.** The motion carries with Council members Phillip Arp, Darlene Kelly, Eloyed Fuentes, Bob McDaniel and Mayor Sam Mallory voting "AYE".

A copy of Bryan Grimes summary and press release is made a part of the minutes as follows:

Current Situation

Supply

Currently, the City of Ballinger receives 500-acre feet of water per year (approximately 450,000 gallons per day), on Lake O.H. Ivie, from the Colorado River Municipal Water District (CRMWD) via a water supply contract with Millersview-Doole Water Supply Corporation. (MDWSC). The supply agreement does not provide enough water to meet the demand for the nearly 2000 water connections in the City of Ballinger Water System. This lack of supply, combined with consistent drought conditions, has put a tremendous financial burden on the City of Ballinger, which has been passed to Ballinger's water customers. Today, the only source of water available to the City of Ballinger is Lake O.H. Ivie

Costs

Additionally, the cost of raw water—just the charge for water, no transportation—has increased from \$0.89 per 1000 in 2006 to \$1.46 per 1000 in 2017. In addition, the City of Ballinger pays the City of Abilene a nominal fee to transport water via Abilene's "Ivie

Pipeline". The transportation fee to the City of Abilene is roughly \$50,000 per year. Ballinger pays MDWSC roughly \$20,000 per month for access to raw water.

Agreement with Abilene

Supply

In the agreement, the City of Abilene will sell at a minimum 625-acre foot of water per year, (approximately 560,000 gallons per day) but no more than 1250-acre feet of water per year (approximately 1.15 Million gallons of water per day) to the City of Ballinger. These amounts will meet or exceed the City of Ballinger's 35 year "Peak Demand" requirements—meaning that the supply would be sufficient to meet any demand on the system over the last 35 years. The most water ever pumped from the Ballinger Water Treatment Plant since 1983 was approximately 1.1 Million gallons.

Costs

The cost structure with the City of Abilene is very advantageous to the City of Ballinger. Whereas Ballinger is currently paying 1.46 per 1000 plus \$50,000 in transportation, this agreement with Abilene will only cost \$0.79 TOTAL. That is about a 50% savings on the cost of raw water. This price also includes all transportation fees.

Additional Water Supplies

Also included in the agreement with the City of Abilene is that Ballinger will also be connected to Lake Fort Phantom, Lake Hubbard, and Possum Kingdom Lake. Although the cost of water for these connections will be more—Phantom and Hubbard will be \$0.99, and Possum Kingdom will be \$3.00—they still represent water supply security that Ballinger has never had prior. In fact, the cost of getting water from Phantom or Hubbard still represents a costs savings compared to the current agreement with MVWSC.

The agreement is for 40 years, with a mutually agreed upon 40-year extension. The costs are only adjusted every 3 years based upon industry standards and CPI.

Ballinger's Commitment to the Partnership

Ballinger has always been willing to be an equal partner on a water agreement. We have always been a community willing to do its part to ensure success for all. To that end, the City of Ballinger and the City of Abilene have agreed to a partnership to construct infrastructure to ensure Ballinger—and the Region's—mutual success.

The City of Abilene has three water treatment facilities. The Northeast Plant is located on Lake Fort Phantom. The Grimes WTP is located near downtown Abilene is and is quickly approaching its useful life. The Hargeshimer WTP is located in South Abilene, just off HWY 277. It the newest of the 3 facilities.

- Raw water from Lake Phantom and Lake Hubbard is pumped to the Grimes WTP.
- Raw water from Lake O.H. Ivie is pumped to the Hargeshimer WTP.
- The two water plants, despite being approximately 10 miles from each other, are not connected.

The City of Ballinger will pay for the Planning, Acquisition, and Design (PAD) to construct a water supply line from the Grimes WTP to the Hergesheimer WTP. This line will be necessary if Ballinger will ever receive water from Lake Phantom, Lake Hubbard, or Possum Kingdom Lake. The approximate cost of the PAD is \$3.25 Million. However, Ballinger has received grant funding from the Texas Water Development Board (TWDB) to pay for approximately 2/3 of the cost of the PAD. The City of Ballinger would be responsible for the remaining 1/3, via a low interest loan from TWDB. The cost of the PAD will be approximately \$100,000 a year for 10 years.

Furthermore, the City of Ballinger and the City of Abilene have both agreed to jointly construct the water line after completion of the PAD. Ballinger will only be obligated to pay its portion of the pipe.

Summary

- Ballinger pays \$1.46 for 500-acre feet of water from Lake O.H. Ivie. This is not enough to supply the City of Ballinger.
- Abilene will supply Ballinger with a minimum of 625-acre feet and a maximum of 1250 acre feet at \$0.79 per thousand. This represents approximately a 50% reduction in costs.
- Abilene will supply Ballinger a minimum of 625-acre feet and a maximum of 1250 acre feet of water from Lake Hubbard and Lake Fort Phantom at a cost of \$0.99 per thousand.
- Abilene will supply Ballinger a minimum of 625-acre feet and a maximum of 1250 acre feet of water from Possum Kingdom Lake at a cost of \$3.00 per thousand.
- This agreement is for a 40-year team, with an automatic 40-year renewal. Prices are only adjusted based upon industry standards and CPI.
- This agreement will interconnect Ballinger to four reservoirs, not including Lake Ballinger and Old Lake Ballinger. Upon completion, Ballinger will be able to draw off six reservoirs.
- Ballinger will pay 100% of the Planning, Acquisition, and Design of a water line connecting Abilene's Grimes Water Treatment Plant and the Hergesheimer Water Treatment Plant.
 Ballinger has secured grant funding to help pay the costs of the PAD. Ballinger has also secured a low interest loan from the TWDB to pay for approximately \$1 Million of the PAD
- Ballinger and Abilene have agreed to construct the water line from Grimes WTP to Hergesheimer WTP upon completion of the PAD.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to enter into executive session at 12:37 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 (Consider appointing an interim City Administrator) Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes d was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 12:45 p.m., and Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to appoint Randy Everett as the interim City Administrator effective immediately, with an additional \$500.00 per month for his services. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:47 p.m. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

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

On this the 6th day of November 2017 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 12:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Mayor

Phillip Arp Commissioner # 1
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields
Bryan Grimes
City Secretary
City Administrator
City Attorney
City Attorney
Chief of Police
Randy Everett
Steve Nixon
City Attorney
Chief of Police
WTP Plant Operator
Public Works Director

Others present: Rick Morrish, Greg West, Carletta West- Citizens, Kimberly Arzate, Donna Elliott- Our Time, Chris Wilde, John Henry- KSA Engineering.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 12:03 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the October 16, 2017 and October 30, 2017 meetings, with noted corrections. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Chris Wilde and John Henry with KSA Engineering met with the Council to introduce themselves and to let the Council know that their firm is in San Angelo, Texas and they are available for any engineering services that the City might need.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON RESOLUTION TO CAST VOTES FOR RUNNELS COUNTY APPRAISAL DISTRICT BOARD OF DIRECTORS:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to cast all the City's available votes to Alvin Dunn. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON RESOLUTION GRANTING THE CHAMBER OF COMMERCE PERMISSION TO HAVE A PARADE ON NOVEMBER 25, 2017:

Bob McDaniel made the motion to approve a resolution granting the Chamber of Commerce the permission to have a parade on November 25, 2017. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON REQUEST OF GREG WEST TO CLOSE AVENUE A BETWEEN 16TH AND 17TH STREETS:

Steve Nixon reported to the Council that this street is platted on the City's maps, but it has never been opened or used as a street. He does not see a problem with officially closing the street and deeding the property to the two adjacent property owners. After discussion, **Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** authorized the City Attorney to draw up the necessary paper works to close Avenue A between 16th and 17th Streets deeding the property to the two adjacent property owners. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON THE REQUEST OF KIMBERLY ARZATE TO OPEN A GAMING/CONSIGNMENT BUSINESS AT 200 S. 7TH STREET:

Ms. Arzate met with the Council to give more detail about her proposed business. She plans to have 12 gaming machines, women clothes and snack items for sale. She will have to charge sales tax on the items that sells. Commissioner Bob McDaniel questioned all the requirements of the ordinance had been met. After further discussion, **Comm. Phillip Arp** made the motion of Kimberly Arzate to open a gamin/consignment business at 200 S. 7th Street. **Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes** and the motion carries with Commissioners Phillip Arp, Darlene Kelly, Eloyed Fuentes and Mayor Sam Mallory voting "Aye", and Commissioner Bob McDaniel voting "Nay".

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

<u>Phil King-</u> 12'x15'x8' storage building- Lot 10, Block 34- Clampitt Revision. Located at 1608 Broadway \$2,500.00

<u>Larry Nitsch-</u>10'x2' storage building- Lot 4, Block 1- Park Heights Addition. Located at 506 McCarver Drive \$2,000.00

Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Stan presented the Council with the monthly report that show the police department made 12 arrests, worked 11 accidents, answered 331 calls and wrote 74 citations and collected \$8,821.00 in fines. Stan also presented the Council with a bill from Group Mobile in the amount of \$36,570.24 for the needed computer hardware for the police vehicles. Government Capitol has approved the financing.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan reported that Randy Everett will be taking over the day-to day operations of the City on Tuesday, November 7, 2017. He would still be available as needed. Bryan presented the Council with the monthly financial statement. We should start getting revenue from property tax payments next month. He has filed to an extension on the pad project with Texas Water Development and they should look at the request at their December 7, 2017 meeting. He will also be giving them a final update on the meter and pad project. He had a very positive meeting with the City of Robert Lee concerning the water that the City of Ballinger currently purchases from Millersview - Doole.

FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS.

Jason Battle has requested to be put on an agenda to request assistance with putting foam in the Runnels County Livestock building. Bryan also requested that the meeting for November 16, 2017 be held at 12:00 p.m.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to enter into executive session at 12:50 p.m. as authorized by Texas Government Code, Section 551.074 (Personnel matters to discuss granting extended leave to Anthony Hurst). Second by Comm. Phillip Arp and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 1:04 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. Phillip Arp made the motion to grant Anthony Hurst sixty (60) days of extended sick leave effect immediately. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 1:05 p.m. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

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

On this the 16th day of November 2017 the Ballinger City Council met in regular session at 12:00 p.m., in the Council Chamber of the City Hall located at 700 Railroad Avenue with the following members present:

Sam Mallory Mayor

Phillip Arp
Darlene Kelly
Bob McDaniel
Eloyed Fuentes
Commissioner # 1
Commissioner # 2
Commissioner # 3
Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields City Secretary
Bryan Grimes City Administrator
Ebb Grindstaff City Attorney
Stanley Maresch Chief of Police

Others present: Jason Gore, Rudy Galvan, Rick Morrish, Robert Langston, Tammie Virden, Sherry Galvan, Jeff Smith- Citizens.

CALL TO ORDER:

Mayor Sam Mallory called the meeting to order at 12:00 p.m.

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the November 6, 2017 meeting, with note of one correction. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

Steve Nixon informed the Council that they may have to revisit the application for business from Our Times at 200 S. 7th Street. While doing further research on Kimberly Arzate it was found out that she is serving a deferred adjudication case until 2020. Bonita Shields has been in contact with TML legal and waiting for a response from them.

HEAR A PERSONAL PRIVILEGE SPEECH FROM PHILLIP ARP:

Phillip told the Council that it has been an honor to serve on the City Council and to serve the citizens of Ballinger. He thanked the City employees for the work that they do because it makes the Council's job that much easier. He thanked Bonita for keeping him in line most of the time and thanked Ebb Grindstaff for his guidance. He thanked Bryan for doing for the City of Ballinger what he said he could do by getting Ballinger a secure water source. He wished Bryan and his family the best in Willow Park. Finally, he thanked Weldon & Diane Brevard for coming up with the idea that he needed to run for City Council. He gave the Council three pointers about serving on the City Council. He told them that it is a service role and they should not to be tempted to make it personal, Secondly the business of the City should be conducted in the Council chambers anything done outside of Council chamber is detrimental to the jobs you were elected to do. From personal experience he told the Council that they should never, never, never response to issues posted on social media. Be transparent and above all be good stewards and you can't go wrong. And above all thank you again for this opportunity.

CANVASS THE REPORT ON THE NOVEMBER 7, 2017 CITY OFFICER'S ELECTION:

The Council reviewed the report submitted by the Runnels County Election Judge. Julia Miller. The report showed that from the election held on November 7, 2017 that the results are as follows;

Mayor

Sam Mallory 331 Willie Covington 107

Single Member District 1

Anita Martinez 31 Jason Gore 65

Single Member District 2

Amanda Collom 51 Rudy Galvan 58 Richard (Rick) Morrish 70

Proposition A- To legalize the sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed drinks:

For 310 Against 140

DISCUSS AND ACT ON A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE CITY OFFICER'S ELECTION RESULTS TO BE CORRECT:

Comm. Phillip Arp made them motion to pass a resolution declaring the results of the City Officer's election to be correct. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE RESULTS ON PROPOSITION A- FOR THE SALE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES INCLUDING MIXED DRINKS TO BE CORRECT:

Comm. Phillip Arp made the motion to pass a resolution declaring the results of the election for the sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed drinks to be correct. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

THE NEWLY ELECTED OFFICERS WILL BE ADMINISTERED THE OATH OF OFFICE BY THE CITY SECRETARY:

Sam Mallory-Mayor and Jason Gore- Single Member District One (1) were administered the oath of office by City Secretary, Bonita Shields.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON CONTRACT WITH RUNNELS COUNTY TO ADMINISTER A RUN-OFF ELECTION:

The Council discussed the results of the votes cast for Single Member District Two (2). The Charter states that the candidate running for the office must receive 50.1% of the votes or there must be a run-off election. Runnels County Elections office has agreed to conduct the run-off election for the City. A contract with Runnels County must be approved. The estimated cost to the City is \$6,364.60. After discussion, Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the contract with Runnels County authorizing Runnels County to conduct the run-off election. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT ON AN ORDER TO CALL A RUN-OFF ELECTION FOR SINGLE MEMBER DISTRICT TWO (2) FOR DECEMBER 12, 2017:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to call a run-off election for Single Member District Two (2) for December 12, 2017. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

No building permits were presented.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Bryan reported that the engineers are working on a plan to make some changes at the water treatment plant to solve the THM's problem. The membranes in the pumps at the water plant are scheduled to be changed out December 11, 2017. He has visited with Robert Lee, Texas about purchasing the 500-acre feet of water that we currently purchase from Millersview-Doole. They are very interest in purchasing this water. He told the Council that this is the best job that he ever had, and this is the best group of people that he has ever worked with. He felt that the City has served him well and it hopes that he has served Ballinger well and thanked the City Council for the opportunity.

HEAR REQUEST FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM CITY COUNCIL:

Bryan reminded the Council that a decision needs to be made on the business of Our Times at 200 S. 7th Street, and the request from Ballinger Livestock Association needs to be put on the next agenda

ADJOURN:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 12:23 p.m. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

ATTEST:

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

On this the 4th day of December 2017 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 Darlene Kelly Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 1 Commissioner # 2

Commissioner #3

Absent

Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields Bryan Grimes

City Secretary City Administrator

Ebb Grindstaff

City Attorney

Christopher Sargent

Sergeant

Others present: Rick Morrish, Carolyn Little, Greg West- Citizens, Pat Chesser- Attorney.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the November 16, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

RESCIND MOTION MADE NOVEMBER 6, 2017 AND RECONSIDER THE REQUEST OF GREG & CINDY SUE WEST TO CLOSE AVENUE A BETWEEN 16TH AND 17TH STREETS:

Ebb Grindstaff reported to the Council that this is back on the agenda because Greg West asked how Avenue A was to be divided between the two property owners without having a survey done. Grindstaff told the Council that he corrected the warranty deed to show Mr. West receiving the west part of Avenue A. Bonita Shields told the Council that the discussion in the city hall was to correct the deed to show West receiving all of Avenue A between 16th and 17th Streets. Steve Nixon told the Council that by law once a street or alley is closed and no longer in use by the City the property is supposed to be divided between the two adjoining property owners, which is what was done at the last meeting. Pat Chesser, attorney, was at the meeting and pointed out that Steve Nixon was right. After discussion, Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to take no action of the issue for further investigation. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

DISCUSS AND ACT TO RENEW A CONTRACT WITH DAVID VINSON FOR LEASE OF LAKE PROPERTY:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the renewal of the contract with David Vinson for lease on lake property. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF BUILDING PERMITS:

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

Buddy's Plant Plus- 50'x125'x18' additional building- Part of the Chas. Osgood Survey 393, Abstract 364, Located at 2022 Hutchings Avenue \$45,000.00 Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

HEAR THE POLICE ACTIVITY MONTHLY REPORT FROM CHIEF STANLEY MARESCH:

Chris Sargent was at the meeting for the Chief. He reported to the Council that the police department answered 287 calls, worked 6 accidents and 7 incident reports. They wrote 60 citations and collected \$6,978 in court fines. Chris reported that Stan is looking at the ordinances from other cities concerning the sale of all alcoholic beverages including mixed drinks and will have some input on them as far as what the City of Ballinger should consider putting into place.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy reported to the Council that the new lake is down 2.8 feet and the old lake is down 3' from this summer's measurements. The staff has started using a square for credit card purchases of aviation fuel at the airport. They have also cleaned up the pilot's lounge and plan to make other improvement to the lounge in the future. The airport house is still vacant and will need more updates. They are closing off the lake park for the winter. There are several water leaks at the lake park that need to be repaired and the water has been turned off. The street department has started the repairs on the streets around the Stripes store in South Ballinger. The membranes and filters for the pumps in the R/O system at water treatment plant will be replaced next week.

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to enter into executive session at 5:55 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. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

The Council convened in session until 6:12 p.m., and Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to close the executive session. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to accept the resignation and modification of the appointment of Ebb Grindstaff. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

ADJOURN:

Comm. Jason Gore made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:22 p.m. Second by Comm. Darlene Kelly and was unanimously approved.

Mayor

ATTEST:

City Secretary

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

On this the18th day of December 2017 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
Darlene Kelly Commissioner # 2
Bob McDaniel Commissioner # 3
Eloyed Fuentes Commissioner # 4

City Staff:

Bonita Shields City Secretary

Randy Everett Interim City Administrator

Ebb Grindstaff City Attorney Stanley Maresch Chief of Police

Julie Parsons Animal Control Officer Steve Nixon Public Works Director

Others present: Sue Morrish, Rick Morrish, Robert Langston, Greg West-Citizens.

CALL TO ORDER:

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

PRAYER AND PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE:

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

CONSIDER APPROVAL OF MINUTES:

Comm. Darlene Kelly made the motion to approve the minutes of the December 4, 2017 meeting, with noted corrections. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

VISITORS:

None

HEAR A PERSONAL PRIVILEGE SPEECH FROM DARLENE KELLY:

Darlene Kelly thanked the citizens of Ballinger her votes and support to serve on the City Council. She thanked Tommy New for allowing her to attend all the conferences, which in turn she learned a lot concerning the operation of City government. She also thanked Bonita Shields, Corey Van Zandt, Ebb Grindstaff and Bryan Grimes for their support. She told the new Council to solve their issues that may come up in Council meetings. She has enjoyed serving on the City Council and was privileged to serve.

CANVASS THE REPORT ON THE DECEMBER 12, 2017 RUN-OFF ELCTION:

The Council reviewed the report from the run-off election held on December 12. 2017. The reports show that the election was held for Single Member District 2, with the candidates of Rudy Galvan and Richard (Rick) Morrish. The report shows that Rudy Galvan received 10 votes and Richard (Rick) Morrish received 59 votes. The Council accepted the report as presented.

CONSIDER A RESOLUTION DECLARING THE RUN-OFF ELECTIONS RESULTS TO BE CORRECT:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to approve a resolution declaring the results of the run-off election to be correct. **Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel** and was unanimously approved.

THE NEWLY ELECTED OFFICER WILL BE ADMINISTERED THE OATH OF OFFICE BY THE CITY SECRETARY:

Bonita F. Shields administered the oath of office to Richard (Rick) Morrish, congratulated him and asked him to take his seat as Single Member District 2 member.

CONSIDER SETTING THE DATE AND TIME FOR REGULAR AND SPECIAL COUNCIL MEETINGS:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to leave the time for Council meeting at the 1st and 3rd Monday at 5:30 p.m. Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved. The Mayor noted that because of the holidays the dates for meeting in January will be January 8 and January 22, 2018.

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

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to leave the salary the same at \$500.00 annual for the Mayor and \$250.00 annual fore the four Council members. Second by Comm. Eloyed Fuentes and was unanimously approved.

CONSIDER APPOINTING A MAYOR-PROTEM:

Comm. Bob McDaniel made the motion to appoint Eloyed Fuentes as the Mayor Pro-tem. 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>Richard & Margie Toliver-</u> 25'x10'x5' patio cover- Lot 6, Block 1-Baker Addition. Located at 400 Murrell Avenue \$,2500.00

Second by Comm. Jason Gore and was unanimously approved.

HEAR A REPORT FROM STAN MARESCH CONCERNING THE CONDITION OF THE ANIMAL SHELTER BUILDING:

Stan Maresch and Julie Parsons presented pictures of the building and reported to the Council the condition of the animal control building. There are 11 kennel stalls and they are all rusted out because they have not been replaced since the shelter was opened. The roof is leaking. They are having sewer problems because when you wash the kennels out the rust gets in the sewer lines and causes problems. There is a problem with the heating and cooling system. The building is supposed to be kept above 68 degrees in the winter and around 70 degrees in the summer. They have no secure place to keep cats. They would also like for the Council to consider getting Julie some part-time help with cleaning and taking care of the animals. The fence outside the building also needs to be worked on. The Council agreed that the animal control officer needs to check with other facilities our size and see what they are doing to stay in compliance. She also needs to work up an estimate of all the repairs that she feels needs to be made and present it to the Council for review and consideration.

HEAR THE CITY ADMINISTRATOR'S BI-WEEKLY REPORT:

Randy reported that we are working on a skeleton crew this week because several employees are off taking vacation time to use or loss before the end of the year. The new membranes have been installed at the water plant. After the backwash process has been complete the RO system will be put back in operation. They have made plans made to start working on street repairs in the downtown area. He sent a letter to John Grant with CMRWD concerning the City getting out the contract with Millersview-Doole.

HEAR REQUESTS FOR FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS FROM THE CITY COUNCIL:

None

EXECUTIVE SESSION:

The was put on the agenda by mistake. There was no need for executive session.

ACTION FROM EXECUTIVE SESSION:

None

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ADJOURN:

Comm. Eloyed Fuentes made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 6:07 p.m. Second by Comm. Bob McDaniel and was unanimously approved.

Sam Mallory

Mayor

ATTEST: