

City of East Bernard

Board of Alderman

Minutes of Regular Meeting

20 July 2020

Present:

Marvin R. Holub, Mayor
David Tomchesson, Alderman Pos 1
Shawn Farrell, Alderman Pos 2
Andrew Webster, Alderman Pos 3
Eric Viktorin, Alderman, Pos 4
John Kopycinski, Alderman Pos 5
Audrey Searce, City Secretary

Absent:

CALL TO ORDER

With a quorum of the Board members present, Mayor Marvin Holub called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. on Monday, July 20, 2020 in the Union Room of the Prosperity Bank Building.

INVOCATION

Mayor Holub gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Holub led the pledge of allegiance.

PUBLIC COMMENTS

- ◆ There were no public comments.

MAYOR'S REPORT

Mayor Holub reported as follows:

- ◆ Mayor Holub reported that patchwork is being done on Clubside Drive and Morris Street. The drainage project on John Albert Drive is complete and they are finishing a drainage project behind John Albert Drive. Waller County Asphalt is lined up to begin a road rehabilitation project on Foundation Loop once harvest is over. The maintenance crew has cleared drains. They also repaired the gate at the pool. Leopold Sprinklers had to do a major overhaul on the irrigation system at the park.

CITY SECRETARY'S REPORT

Secretary Searce reported on the city's response to Covid-19. Financials were reviewed and there were no questions, comments, or concerns.

BUDGET WORKSHOP

Secretary Searce presented the budget line item explanations along with a first draft of the 2020-2021 budget. Drainage, animal control improvements, and street rehabilitation were the major points discussed. The board also asked to review our revenue stream for the pool.

DISCUSS AND CONSIDER FOR APPROVAL THE MINUTES OF THE JUNE 15, 2020 REGULAR MEETING.

Mayor Holub asked if there were any corrections or concerns about the minutes as read. There was no discussion of the minutes. Alderman Kopycinski made a motion, seconded by Alderman Tomchesson to approve the June 15, 2020 minutes. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

DISCUSS AND REVIEW FOR ACCEPTANCE THE FY 2018 AUDIT.

Mr. Jeff Stogner presented the audit for the year ending September 30, 2018. He noted that the City of East Bernard is in great financial standing. The board asked to review the audit a little more, before approving it. Alderman Tomchesson made a motion to table this agenda item, seconded by Alderman Webster. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION ON ADOPTING A GOLF CART ORDINANCE.

Constable Szymanski was present to answer questions from the Aldermen on this topic. The consensus after much discussion was that an ordinance was needed to ensure proper enforcement of the allowance of golf carts in the city limits. Alderman Webster made a motion to proceed with the creation of a golf cart ordinance allowing the use of golf carts within the city limits, seconded by Alderman Tomchesson. The motion carried by unanimous vote.

DISCUSS AND TAKE ANY NECESSARY ACTION ON THE FINDINGS OF DRAINAGE ISSUES ON FM 1164.

Mayor Holub discussed the meeting held with TXDOT, Wharton County, and the City of East Bernard. It was a very productive meeting and future meetings will occur after more studies are done.

EXECUTIVE SESSION

The Regular Meeting was adjourned into Executive Session at 7:46 p.m.

ADJOURN EXECUTIVE SESSION, RECONVENE REGULAR SESSION

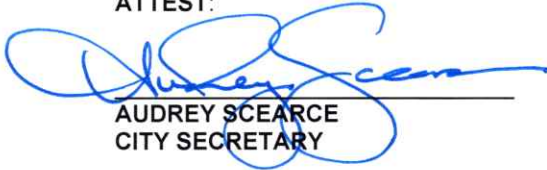
The Executive Session was adjourned, and the Regular Session was reconvened at 8:15 p.m. The board of Alderman reviewed city personnel's evaluations and elected to give raises, which will be reflected in the upcoming budget.

ADJOURNMENT

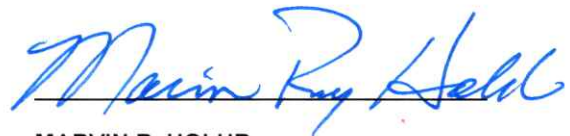
Alderman Tomchesson made a motion, seconded by Alderman Viktorin to adjourn the Regular session. The motion carried by unanimous vote. The meeting was adjourned at 8:21 p.m.

These minutes are approved on the 17th day of AUGUST, A.D. 2020.

ATTEST:


AUDREY SCEARCE
CITY SECRETARY

APPROVED:


MARVIN R. HOLUB
MAYOR