



This is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the **Regular Meeting** of the Simonton City Council on January 18, 2011.

1. **Call to Order.** Mayor McJunkin called the meeting to order at 6:30 PM. A quorum was present.

**Council members present:**

Daniel McJunkin, Mayor  
Jane Stockton, Mayor Pro Tem  
Louis Boudreaux

Sandy Bohannon  
Jeff Young  
Mike Kerr

**Council members absent:**

None

**City Staff present:**

David Olson, City Attorney

S. Purcell, City Secretary

**Public present:**

Danny Martin  
Ida Jorkowski  
Justin Behne  
Mike Behne  
Ethan Jurkowski  
Liam Prendergast  
Kevin Prendergast

Chase Martin  
Jarrid Jurkowski  
Tom Walker  
Jim Gammill  
Judge Cliff Vacek  
And others who did not sign in

2. **Invocation** was led by Mayor McJunkin, and the **Pledge of Allegiance** was led by Boy Scout Troop 941 from Fulshear, Texas.

3. **Consent Agenda.**

- a. Minutes of the Regular Council Meeting on December 14, 2010.
- b. Financials for December 2010.
- c. Payment of Bills for December 2010.

Motion was made by Alderman Boudreaux to allocate up to \$100 for an outside financial consultant. Councilman Kerr seconded.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

**MOTION PASSED**

Motion by Councilmember Boudreaux to accept Consent Agenda with noted errors remedied. Councilmember Young seconded.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

**MOTION PASSED**

**4. Announcements and Public Comments.**

- a. Tom Walker requested Council look into high speed internet for Valley Lodge.

**5. Council Information Sharing.** *No action taken.*

**6. Small Town Mayors' Meeting.** *No action taken.*

**7. Old Business.**

- a) Status update concerning 215 Wagon Road. *No action taken.*
- b) Pumps: Maintenance Start Up. *No action taken.*
- c) Status of Ordinance Violation Letters. *No action taken.*

**8. Report from Animal Control Officer.** *No action taken.*

**9. New Business**

- a) Authorize City Secretary to attend Elections Workshop in Sugar Land. Motion by Councilman Young to allow City Secretary to attend Elections Seminar in Sugar Land. Councilman Kerr seconded.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

**MOTION PASSED**

- b) Replacement of Old and Damaged traffic signs. Council Members Bohannon and Young and Mayor Pro Tem Stockton volunteered to inventory and audit City street signs and compile a list of signs in need of replacement. *No action taken.*

**10. Reauthorize action of engineering study required for Outfall Ditch Grant application.** Motion by Councilman Young to reauthorize up to \$3,000 for required engineering study by Jones and Carter, Inc. for Outfall Ditch Grant application. Councilwoman Bohannon seconded.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

**MOTION PASSED**

**11. Taken out of order after Agenda Item 12, which was taken after Agenda Item 6. Citizens' concerns regarding inadequate high-speed internet access to areas of Simonton.** Tom

Walker asked if the technology exists for AT & T to boost signal strength enough to supply high-speed internet to all of Valley Lodge. *No action taken.*

- 12. Taken out of order after Agenda Item 6. Request regarding Roper’s Country Store, 37014 F.M. 1093, Simonton, Texas, for a variance from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on water well standards.** Judge Vasek, owner of the real estate located at 37014 F.M. 1093, Simonton, Texas, requested the Council’s support by issue of a Resolution stating the City’s recognition of Roper’s Country Store as a viable commercial entity contributing to Simonton’s tax base and its due diligence in water testing performed twice weekly with no system failures, and, therefore, request a variance from the Texas Commission on Environmental Quality on water well standards. Motion by Councilman Boudreaux for the Council to approve support of Roper’s Country to stay open as a business and authorize Mayor McJunkin and City Attorney David Olson to construct a resolution in support of Roper’s Country Store. Councilwoman Bohannon seconded the motion.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

**MOTION PASSED**

- 13. Executive Session – Closed Session in Accordance with Government Code Section 551.071: Consultation with City Attorney to discuss possible retention of legal services relating to pending state legislation.** Regular Session recessed into Executive Session at 8:09 p.m.
- 14. Reconvene and take action on items discussed in Executive Session if deemed appropriate.** Reconvened in Regular Open Session at 9:31 p.m. *No action taken.*
- 15. Adjournment.** Motion by Councilman Young to adjourn. Councilman Boudreaux seconded.

Ayes: All

Noes: None

**MOTION PASSED**

The meeting ended at 9:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,

Daniel McJunkin  
Mayor

S. Purcell  
City Secretary