



January 20, 2010

This is a true and correct copy of the Minutes of the **Regular Meeting** of the Simonton City Council on January 19, 2010.

1. Mayor Boudreaux called the meeting to order at 7:05 PM.

Those present were:

Lou Boudreaux
Kathy Nida

Daniel McJunkin
Jane Stockton

Jeff Young

Absent:

Sandy Bohannon

Dub Sabrsula

A quorum was present.

Public in attendance:
Jim Gammill

2. Councilman Jeff Young said the Invocation and led the Pledge of Alliance.

3. Consent Agenda.

Mayor Boudreaux pointed out that "amounts" on the Balance Sheet had shifted one cell up. Councilwoman Jane Stockton talked to the lady from Simonton Community School about ways to use the Child Safety money that is in our budget. She is still working on ideas. There was discussion about the two Economic Development Corporations; how much money each of them had in the city account and how we were going to disburse those funds to them.

Councilman Daniel McJunkin made a motion to accept the consent agenda; Councilman Jeff Young seconded – MOTION PASSED.

4. There were no Announcements or Public Comments.

5. Old Business.

- a. Councilman McJunkin and Mayor Boudreaux will do the next start-up in January. They did not get started this month. They will possibly start the pumps on the same day they fill some pot holes.

6. New Business.

- a. Mayor Boudreaux talked to Roby Tate about coming out to fill some pot holes. It is no longer a simple phone. Formal requests must be made through the commissioner. Because some of the roads are deteriorating more quickly than others, Mayor Boudreaux wants to get the commissioner out here to drive the city and discuss which roads need to be repaired first. The city must be careful about how they spend their money on road repairs.

- b. Order the Election. Kathy Nida asked if anyone spoke Spanish to proof the Spanish Election Order. Mayor Boudreaux was going to have someone proof it. Mayor Boudreaux announced he does not intend to run for Mayor again. He is committed to assisting the next mayor in

any way he can. Although he was not present, Councilman Dub Sabrsula announced through Mayor Boudreaux that he would not be seeking reelection next term. Councilman Daniel McJunkin stated he was evaluating his circumstance before he commits to run again. The first day to file is FEB 6th and the last day to file is MAR 8th.

Councilman Daniel McJunkin made a motion to formally call the election to elect two council members and a mayor; Councilwoman Jane Stockton seconded – MOTION PASSED.

- c. City Hall Security System. According to TML, if a project is under \$50,000 it is not necessary to get three bids; however, Mayor Boudreaux preferred to do that. He has a meeting lined up with one security company in the coming week to get formal bids.
- d. Grant Opportunities. The grants keep rolling in and the Mayor keeps applying for them. He opted to fill out the application himself instead of using a consultant for the Energy Block Grant which will allow the city to replace the old AC's and install new energy efficient windows. The grant is for 100%. Simonton is eligible for \$23,030 for a city our size. To replace the heat pumps is roughly \$18,000. Because there was money left over, Mayor Boudreaux called a company about replacing the windows. The city has also applied for a grant from HGAC that will purchase equipment for our Emergency Response Center – including laptop computers, TV's, projector and screen.
- e. Town Hall Meeting on FEMA map changes. The meeting will be held along with Weston Lakes at Simonton Community Church. We will mail out postcard to all residents of Simonton as well as send out an email blast.

Councilman Daniel McJunkin made a motion to cosponsor the Town Hall Meeting with the City of Weston Lakes at Simonton Community Church; Councilman Jeff Young seconded – MOTION PASSED.

- f. Move Money from Checking account into Money Market Account.

Councilman Jeff Young made a motion to transfer funds from the checking account into the money market account, leaving \$7,000 in the checking account; Councilwoman Jane Stockton seconded – MOTION PASSED.

Councilman Jeff Young made a motion to adjourn; Councilwoman Jane Stockton seconded – MOTION PASSED.

The meeting ended at 8:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,



Louis J. Boudreaux
Mayor



Kathy Nida
City Secretary