

January 15, 2013 Minutes

The Florence City Council met on January 15, 2013, with Mayor Mary Condon presiding and Council members Lesa Ragsdale, Richard Rogers, Denise Deichmann (arrived at 7:09 pm), and Debra Bartos Cahill were present. Kory Woolverton was absent.

Staff members present: Amy L. Crane, Julie Elliott-Abshire, and Wayne Bonnet.

Guests present:

Mayor Mary Condon called the meeting to order at 7:09 pm.

Pledge of Allegiance was followed by a moment of silence.

4. Mayor Mary Condon asked that Guest addressing the Council speak at this time.

Ben Rosenberg with Coastal Securities updated the Council on current interest rates for Government financing.

5. Consent Agenda-

Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to approve the minutes for December 4, 2012, as presented. Denise Deichmann seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesla Ragsdale- for

Kory Woolverton- absent

Richard Rogers- for

Denise Deichmann- for

Debra Bartos Cahill- for

Motion carried.

Regular Agenda-

Committee, Council Members, and City Staff Reports:

Municipal Court- See Report.

City Secretary, Amy L Crane- See Report.

Police Department, Chief Julie Elliott-Abshire- See Report.

Public Works Department- See Report.

6. No action was taken on a quote to dispose or burn brush at the Florence Community Park. The Council requested more quotes.

7. **Personnel Matters.** Mayor Mary Condon, the City Council, and Amy L. Crane, City Secretary, adjourned into executive session at 8:49 pm under Sec. 551.074 (a) (1) and /or (2) of the Texas Government Code, for discussion of Personnel Matters, including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, Amy L. Crane, City Secretary, and such matters as employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of such employee.

8. Mayor Mary Condon, the City Council, and Amy L. Crane, adjourned into **Open session** at 9:15 pm, including, but not limited to, consideration of the employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline, or dismissal of such employee, pursuant to Section 551.074 (b) of the Texas Government Code, and take action, if any, concerning such matters, and any and all other matters related thereto. Denise Deichmann made the motion to increase Amy L Crane's annual salary \$2,000 a year. Debra Bartos Cahill seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Kory Woolverton- absent
Richard Rogers- for
Denise Deichmann- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

9. Richard Rogers made the motion to defer all issues to Mayor Mary Condon and resolving a complaint from Bennie Cox regarding a faulty water meter at 304 Benedict.

Debra Bartos Cahill seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Kory Woolverton- absent
Richard Rogers- for
Denise Deichmann- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

10. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion on purchasing (3) sets of Rain/Winter Weather Gear from Galls for the Public Works Department. Denise Deichmann seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Kory Woolverton- absent
Richard Rogers- for
Denise Deichmann- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

11. Richard Rogers made the motion to purchase 10 yellow traffic lights and batteries from Grainger. Denise Deichmann seconded the motion. Richard Rogers amended his motion to purchase 8 LED traffic lights with batteries. Denise Deichmann seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesa Ragsdale- for
Kory Woolverton- absent
Richard Rogers- for
Denise Deichmann- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

12. Debra Bartos Cahill made the motion to purchase security cameras for the Florence Public

Library. Lesa Ragsdale seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.
Lesla Ragsdale- for
Kory Woolverton- absent
Richard Rogers- abstain
Denise Deichmann- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

13. No action was taken on the Florence Community Park Clean-Up day January 19, 2013. The Council was made aware of the date and any participation from Citizens would be appreciated.


14. No action was taken on mold testing and other irritants at City Hall. Denise Deichmann stated she would purchase a mold test kit at Home Depot to test at City Hall.

15. Denise Deichmann made the motion to approve the City expenditures, as presented. Debra Bartos Cahill seconded the motion. Mayor Mary Condon asked to poll the Council.

Lesla Ragsdale- for
Kory Woolverton- absent
Richard Rogers- for
Denise Deichmann- for
Debra Bartos Cahill- for
Motion carried.

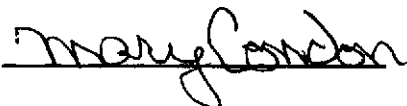
16. The next Council meeting is scheduled for Tuesday, February 5, 2013, 7:00 pm.

17. Mayor Mary Condon adjourned the meeting at 9:37 pm.




Amy L. Crane
City Secretary

PASSED AND APPROVED BY THE CITY COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF FLORENCE, TEXAS, this ____ day of February , 2013.



Mary Condon, Mayor

ATTEST:



Amy L. Crane, City Secretary

