



REGULAR CITY COUNCIL MEETING

OCTOBER 15, 2009 @ 6:00 P. M. at the Oran White Civic Center

Minutes

The City of Tool Regular City Council Meeting was called to order at 6:00pm. Present were Council Members Bush, Sonka, Wright and Reeder. Council Member Phillips was absent. Quorum was established with Mayor Black Presiding.

Approve Minutes as presented: Regular City Council Meeting September 17, 2009, Workshop Meeting September 21, 2009 Special City Council Meeting September 28, 2009. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Reeder second by Council Member Wright. Motion passed 4-0.

Consent Agenda: Consideration and/or action to approve Monthly Activity Reports for September 2009: (A) Municipal Court Report, (B) Police/Animal Control/Code Enforcement Report, (C) Financial and Expenditure Report, (D) Maintenance/Street Department Report, (E) Building / Street Department Report, (F) City of Tool Volunteer Fire Department Report. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Sonka second by Council Member Reeder. Motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 1: Buzzy Hale requested to come before Mayor and Council to discuss status of City Road Project. Mr. Hale asked for an update on the road project and was informed by Mayor Black that it is still in the works and that we are due to receive grant money summer 2010. Mr. Hale asked if the Council could make it a reoccurring item on the Agendas to update the Citizens on the progress of the road project, Mayor Black agreed.

ITEM 2: Buzzy Hale requested to come before Mayor and Council to discuss status of \$0.03 Tax for Fire Dept. Mr. Hale asked how long the Citizens of Tool would be required to pay the \$0.03 Tax to the Henderson County Emergency Services District #4. Mayor Black stated that we did not withdraw in time to avoid the \$0.03 tax this year but the beginning of the next fiscal year we will no longer be required to pay that \$0.03 to the ESD #4.

ITEM 3: Consideration/action to approve Ordinance 2009-03R, CSB revised corporate bank authorization for Citizens State Bank. Mayor Black stated that this resolution was to remove former Council Member Leland Pitts from accounts at Citizens State Bank and adding newly elected Mayor Pro-Tem Tracy Bush. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Wright second by Council Member Reeder. Motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 4: Consideration/action to approve Ordinance 2009-03R, FNB revised corporate bank authorization for First National Bank Mayor Black stated that this resolution was to remove former Council Member Leland Pitts from accounts at First National Bank of Kemp and adding newly elected Mayor Pro-Tem Tracy Bush. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Wright second by Council Member Reeder. Motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 5: Consideration and/ or action to approve Resolution 2009-04R: National Flood Insurance Program. Mayor Black clarified that this resolution would not require Citizens to purchase Flood Insurance this only made the purchase of flood insurance available to them if they so desired. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Reeder second by Council Member Bush Motion passed 3-1 with Council Member Wright opposed.

ITEM 6: Consideration and/or action to approve Ordinance 2009-05: National Flood Insurance Program. Mayor explained that this ordinance was a requirement and solidifies the resolution. Motion for consideration and/or action to approve Ordinance 2009-05, National Flood Insurance Program was made by Council Member Wright second by Council Member Bush. Motion passed 3-1 with Council Member Wright opposed.



ITEM 7: Consideration and/or action to approve Resolution 2009-05R: Energy Efficiency and Conservation Block Grants (EECBG) Program. This grant presents the City with an opportunity at no out of pocket expense to obtain a wood chipper that would prevent the burning of limbs and becoming more energy efficient by chopping up the brush as using possibly even selling them as wood chips. Council Member Wright thoughts were that this would become another piece of unused equipment laying around that the City will have to insure. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Sonka second by Council Member Bush. Motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 8: Consideration and/or action to adopt Ord. 2009-06B: Amending to Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Budget. City Secretary Neva Tankursley explained that we are taking unused funds from last years budget and adding them into this year's budget to allow for a 4th full time Maintenance employee, and reallocating funds for a paid Fire Chiefs position. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Sonka second by Council Member Reeder. Motion tied 2-2 with Council Member Wright and Mayor Pro-Tem Bush opposed. Mayor Black broke the tie by voting in favor of adopt Ord. 2009-06B, Amending to Fiscal Year 2009-2010 Budget Motion passed 3-2. Commotion arose in the audience questioning why two Members were opposed and Mayor Black informed them that this item was not up for discussion because it had already been approved at a prior meeting.

ITEM 9: Consideration and/or action to approve Resolution 2009-06R: candidate nomination for Henderson County Appraisal District Board of Directors – Place 4. Council Member Sonka nominated Sam (Mac) J. Mckinsey III from B&J Boat Storage. Council Member Reeder seconded the nomination. No other nominations were made. Motion to approve Resolution 2009-06R, nominating a candidate for Henderson County Appraisal District Board of Directors – Place 4 was made by Council Member Sonka second by Council Reeder Member. Motion passed 4-0.

ITEM 10: Consideration/action to revise employee compensation for the position of the City of Tool Fire Chief/Building Inspector from an hourly wage to a straight salary. Council Member Fran Sonka made a motion that the Council convene into executive session second by Council Member Bush. Motion to convene into executive session passed 4-0 at 6:37pm.

ANNOUNCEMENTS: Fire Dept update and events: Fire Dept grants awards, Fire Dept building repairs, Smoke Detector Program, Fire Safety/ Prevention presentation at Tool Elementary School. Halloween Activities: candy donations and volunteers needed, The Haunting- haunted house fund raiser benefiting City of Tool Vol. Fire Dept.; 2 weekends, Tool Fall Festival-free candy, fun & games; ages 12 & under; October 31 only, 6pm to 8pm. Trash off: November 7 @ 8:00 am until dumpsters are full.

Convene into Executive Session @ 6:52

Convene into Open Session @ 7:15. Motion to table Item 10 was made by Council Member Sonka second by Council Member Bush Motion passed 4-0.

ADJOURN: Motion to adjourn was made by Council Member Bush, second by Council Member Wright. Motion passed 4-0 at 7:16.

Passed and approved this 19th day of November 2009.

ATTEST:

J. Michael Black, Mayor

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Neva Tankursley, City Secretary