

# Minutes

November 21<sup>st</sup>, 2019 @ 6:00pm  
Regular Council Meeting

1. Call to Order @ 6:00 pm.
2. Roll Call: Fladmark, McDonald, Hamaker, Austin, Sestito and Harrison. Council Member Harrison was absent. Quorum was established with Mayor Austin presiding.
3. Invocation and Pledge of Allegiance
4. Citizen Comments (3 Minute Maximum)
5. Approve Minutes: October 17<sup>th</sup>, 2019 and November 15<sup>th</sup>, 2019. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Sestito, second by Council Member McDonald. Motion passed 4/0.
6. Approve Consent Agenda Items "A" thru "G"; Monthly Activity Reports for October 2019 as presented: (A) Municipal Court; (B) Police; (C) Financial and Expenditure; (D) Maintenance; (E) Building (F) Code Enforcement and; (G) Animal Control. Motion to pass was made by Council Member Fladmark, second by Council Member Hamaker. Motion passed 4/0.
7. Action to approve a replat request by John Frymark of 1821 Scenic Dr to replat lot 39, block 8 of the AB 488 T S MITCHELL SUR, TRADE WINDS, BLK 8 LT 39 & ADJ 32.4 SQ FT creating one 0.24 acre lot; 39R. Motion to approve was made by Council Member McDonald, second by Council Member Fladmark. Motion passed 4/0.
8. Action to approve a request by Bill and Debbie Hubacek of 1204 Atoll Ct. to grant a variance for their carport. Mr. and Mrs. Hubacek spoke. Mrs. Hubacek explained that they need the variance to extend their carport to fit their boat that they would like to cover. Code Enforcement Officer Lyons gave clarification on the current ordinance stating that accessory buildings are to be no bigger than 600 square feet, and that the Hubacek's are asking for theirs to be 677 square feet, needing a variance of 77 square feet. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Sestito, second by Council Member Fladmark. Motion passed 3/1. Council Member Sestito opposed.
9. Action to adopt Ordinance 2019-07 Oncor Franchise Agreement. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Hamaker, second by Council Member Fladmark. Motion passed 4/0.
10. Action to re-appoint Kevin Pollock as the City of Tool's Municipal Court Judge. Item 10 was moved up. Motion to approve was made by Council Member Fladmark, second by Council Member Sestito. Motion passed 4-0. Judge Pollock was sworn in by City Secretary Lyons.
11. Action to adopt Resolution #2019-01R appointing an official City Newspaper for the 2019-2020 fiscal year. City Secretary Lyons stated that daily publications are easier for City Hall to meet deadlines. Barbara Whitfill spoke and said that she takes both the Monitor and the Athens Daily Review, but majority of people in her circle take the Monitor. A motion was made by Council Member Sestito to maintain the Athens Daily Review as the official city newspaper, and seconded by Council Member Fladmark. No votes. Council Member Fladmark stated that he had mixed emotions. Council Member Sestito withdrew his motion. Motion to table until item 13 was discussed was made by Council Member Fladmark, second by Council Member McDonald. Motion passed 4/0. Item 13 was moved up, and after discussion of the re-plat process was had Council Member Fladmark made a motion to approve the Monitor as the official city newspaper, second by Council Member McDonald. Motion passed 4/0.
12. General discussion on the purchase and financing of a new tractor for the Maintenance Department. Maintenance Supervisor Frank Martin explained the equipment and use thereof. Council Members had questions regarding the 3 different tractor models that Mr. Martin presented to them, and why one particular model (John Deere) is better than the others. Mr. Martin stated that the John Deere has a greater life span. Council Member Fladmark asked about financing a zero interest options. Council Member Sestito stated that it needs to be zero interest or paid with cash. City Secretary Lyons asked for council consent to pursue financing options for zero interest. Consent was given by council on behalf of Council Member Sestito.
13. General discussion on upcoming changes to the re-plat process. Council recommended that the cost be absorbed by the property owner and as low as possible for citizens at \$150.

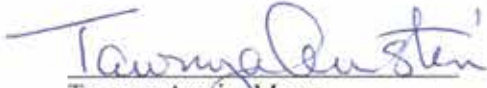
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## Closing

14. Staff. Council Member Sestito mentioned a Keep Tool Beautiful committee forming in and around January, and volunteers will be needed. There are grant opportunities and it is affiliated with Keep Texas Beautiful.
15. Next Meeting: December 19<sup>th</sup>, 2019
16. Adjourn @ 7:02 pm.



  
Tawnya Austin, Mayor

Attest:

  
Makenzie Lyons, City Secretary