

Special Meeting Minutes
June 21, 2018

The Board of Aldermen of the City of Plantersville, Grimes County, Texas, met on Thursday, June 21, 2018 at 7:00 P.M at Plantersville Town Hall at 11335 Lodge Lane, Plantersville, Texas.

The following members were present:

Karen Hale, Mayor
Kim Allphin, Mayor Pro-Tem
Marilyn Bettes, Alderman
Otis Greenwood, Alderman
Kristina Keyser-Mayton, Alderman
Clay Godfrey, Alderman

Thus constituting a quorum:

Visitors present: Tracie Roberts

1. Mayor Karen Hale called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m.
Invocation was given by Alderman Otis Greenwood.
The Board of Alderman and visitor recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and Texas Flag.
2. Minutes from regular meeting on April 9, 2018 were approved with the following correction:
Johnny McNaly was changed to read Johnny McNally.
3. Alderman Marilyn Bettes made a motion to allow Tracie Roberts as much time as needed to speak in order to cover all her information, seconded by Alderman Clay Godfrey with each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried. Tracie gave us examples from 3 small cities that are similar in size to the City of Plantersville and their rate factor. City of Devers has 20 less people than City of Plantersville with a rate factor of .0012831. City of Pine Forest has 17 more people than City of Plantersville with a rate factor of .0025206. City of Bedias has 24 less people than City of Plantersville with a rate factor of .002438164. With Entergy's research, it was determined to have City of Plantersville with a rate factor of .0024382 for the franchise agreement. If the Board of Alderman approves the agreement, a check will be sent to the City of Plantersville on September 1, 2018 that will range between \$18,000 and \$20,000, for a prepayment of the dates July 1, 2018 through June 30, 2019. In addition to these funds the City of Plantersville will also receive a check that will be retro-active from December 1, 2017 to June 30, 2018. The amount of the retro-pay will not be calculated until after June 30, 2018. Tracie stated that 25 years is the standard time length of their franchise agreements. Mayor Karen Hale asked, "Does the city have to pay to move power lines for road work?" Tracie showed the board where the agreement clearly states that Entergy will be responsible for the cost of relocating power lines if it was ever necessary. Mayor Karen Hale also asked, "Is there anyway that signing the franchise agreement will affect the residents of the City of Plantersville bills, especially will it increase their rates or their final bills? Tracie Roberts re-assured the board that in no way at all will the franchise agreement cost the residents any money. Tracie did however, state that in late November or December of 2018 ALL customers of Entergy will see a rate increase due to the rate factor, but that is not related to the franchise agreement. Entergy was required to do a rate case to analyze their financial health and that is what is causing the increase.
4. Alderman Marilyn Bettes made a motion to approve the Franchise Agreement with Entergy ordinance 10-18, seconded by Clay Godfrey with each Alderman voting AYE, the motion carried.
5. Mayor Karen Hale ask the Board to let her know if anyone that might want to volunteer to be an election worker for the November 6, 2018 election.

6. Mayor Karen Hale reminded the board if anyone is interested there will be a TML Small Cities Clinic, Friday July 13, 8:30-2:00 at Navasota Center that is \$40 per person which includes lunch. If you want to attend you need to register with TML. Alderman Marilyn Bettes requested to see if TXDOT can come to the next meeting and give an update on the work that is being done here in the city limits.
7. Enter into Executive Session/closed meeting, if needed
Not needed
8. Return to open meeting; take action on items discussed in closed session (Section 551.102)
9. Mayor Karen Hale adjourned the meeting at 8:07 p.m.

Approved:

Attest:

Karen Hale, Mayor

Kristina Keyser-Mayton, Secretary

Date

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