

THE STATE OF TEXAS §

November 12, 2019

COUNTY OF GRAYSON §

BE IT REMEMBERED THAT A Regular Meeting of the City Council of the City of Bells, Grayson County, Texas was held in the Council Chambers of City Hall on November 12, 2019.

Members Present:

Angela LeBlanc-Mayor

Tammy Hartline – Councilwoman

Roger Goodwin - Mayor Pro-Tem

Terry Crumby - Councilman

Diane Snavely – Councilwoman

Jennifer Washburn - Councilwoman

Staff Present:

Pam Winkler – City Secretary

Lee Culley – Police Chief

Nick Williamson – Public Works

Bradlee Little - Public Works

AGENDA

- Call to Order @6:00pm 1.
- Pledge to the United States Flag 2.
- 3. Moment of Silence
- Citizens Forum: At this time, any person may address the Council regarding an item on this meeting agenda that is not scheduled for public hearing. Also, at this time any person may address the Council regarding an item that is not on this meeting agenda. Each person will be allowed up to three (3) minutes to speak. No discussion or action may be taken at this meeting on items not listed on this agenda, other than to make statements of specific factual information in response to a citizen's inquiry. (Sec. 551.042 and 551.007 of Open Meeting Act).

None

- 5. Reports from Department Heads.
 - a. Fire Department: Report from Mayor via text. 38 gallons of water used.
 - b. Police Department: Chief presented the report.
 - c. Public Works: Nick Williamson presented the report.

Action Items

- 6. **CONSENT AGENDA** All consent agenda items listed are considered to be routine by the City Council and will be enacted by one motion. There will be no separate discussion of these items unless a Councilmember so requests, in which event the item will be removed from the Consent Agenda and considered in its normal sequence on the agenda.
 - Consider and approve monthly financial report.
 - b. Consider and approve regular session minutes on October 8, 2019 and October 21,

Tammy Hartline made a motion to approve the financial report and table the minutes on October 8, 2019 and minutes on October 21, 2019 until the December meeting. Jennifer Washburn seconded the motion, motion carried 5-0.

7. **EXECUTIVE SESSION** – The Council may convene into Executive Session to discuss the following: **Consultation with Attorney** under Tx GC 551.071 – on a matter in which the duty of the attorney to the governmental body under the Texas Disciplinary Rules of Professional Conduct of the State Bar of Texas clearly conflicts with this Chapter (OMA): Structure and relationship of BVFD and City.

Diane Snavely made a motion to convene into executive session at 6:05 pm, Tammy Hartline seconded the motion.

Diane Snavely made a motion to reconvene into regular session at 6:46 pm, Terry Crumby seconded the motion.

- 8. Consider and act upon items listed under Item #7 Executive Session as necessary. **No action.**
- 9. Consider and act on payment of invoices presented by Bells Volunteer Fire.

 Tammy Hartline made a motion to pay all invoices presented except for the one to Bells

 Fire Association for EMS training and to pay the Insurance coverage if the numbers were
 corrected on the invoice. Jennifer Washburn seconded the motion, motion carried 4-1 with
 Terry Crumby against.
- 10. Consider and act on request from Clint Garcia concerning water service. Clint Garcia spoke to the council with his desire to build a home on the property and wanting to work with the city regarding the water, surrounding neighbors not willing to help. Tammy Hartline made a motion to table for the city to do research on this property to properly help and to get back with him regarding this. Terry Crumby seconded the motion, motion carried 5-0.
- 11. Consider and act on request for de-annexation from James Harris.

 James Harris spoke of his desire to de-annex because he wants to dig a well on the property.

 Tammy Hartline made a motion to table for the city to do research on this property to properly help and to get back with him regarding this. Jennifer Washburn seconded the motion, motion carried 5-0.
- 12. Consider and approve Resolution R11122019 Casting votes to elect candidates to serve as members of the Grayson Central Appraisal District Board of Directors.
 Tammy Hartline made a motion to cast one vote for each candidate. Roger Goodwin seconded the motion, motion carried 5-0
- 13. Consider and approve Ordinance 11122019A Increasing the rate of deposit to the Texas Municipal Retirement System by Employees of the City of Bells.
 Roger Goodwin made a motion to approve Ordinance 11122019A. Diane Snavely seconded the motion, motion carried 5-0.
- 14. Consider and act on tap fee increase for water and sewer taps.

 Terry Crumby stated the need to increase the tap fees due to not covering the cost of putting them in. Tammy Hartline asked the difference in putting in different size taps, Bradlee Little spoke on behalf of the Utility Dept. and explained that the bigger the tap, the bigger expense.

 Roger Goodwin made a motion to table until a fee schedule with fees per size of tap be presented. Jennifer Washburn seconded the motion, motion carried 5-0.
- 15. Consider and approve the Police Department building out the south front office for the Bells Police Department.

 Chief Culley spoke on the safety issues that he believes to be a big factor in the moving of the Police Department and the added safety of allowing people to access a council meeting or court from the north side of the building, instead of having to walk down the alley.

 Jennifer Washburn made a motion to approve the moving of the Police Dept. to the south

Jennifer Washburn made a motion to approve the moving of the Police Dept. to the south front office. Roger Goodwin seconded the motion, motion carried 3-0, with Tammy Hartline and Diane Snavely against.

- 16. Consider and approve Ordinance 11122019 Official Newspaper for the 2019-2020 Fiscal Year. Roger Goodwin made a motion to approve Ordinance 11122019. Jennifer Washburn seconded the motion, motion carried 5-0.
- 17. Consider and amend Ordinance 08072018 Street Standards for proposed streets and roads. Discussion by council that the roads need to be wide enough for emergency vehicles to have access to homes, even if cars are parked along the streets.
 Terry Crumby made a motion to set the street standards to 36' paved driving area. Roger Goodwin seconded the motion, motion carried 5-0.

- Consider and act on City's Christmas Event.
 Roger Goodwin made a motion to set the City's Christmas Event for December 15, 2019 at the Pavilion. Jennifer Washburn seconded the motion, motion carried 5-0.
- 19. Consider and act on bid for City Barn roof.

 Terry Crumby made a motion to approve the bid for the City Barn roof with the City purchasing the materials. Tammy Hartline seconded the motion, motion carried 5-0.
- **20.** Consider and act on purpose of white storage building located at 105 N. Broadway St. **No action.**
- **21.** <u>Informational Reports:</u> These reports are for information only. No discussion is appropriate unless there is a specific item listed below or there is a request that the item be placed on a subsequent agenda as a discussion and action item. Sec. 551.0415 of Open Meetings Act):

City of Bella Crossroads of Friendli

- a. Mayor's Report: stated she wanted to put the Bells Volunteer Fire Department information on the City Website.
- b. Council's Report: Roger Goodwin stated that we needed to check on Lover's Lane, it was washing out.
- 22. Adjournment: 7:23 p.m.

ATTEST BY:

Pam Winkler, City Secretary

Angela LeBlanc, Mayor