

Regular Meeting Minutes – City of Plantersville
March 8, 2021

The Board of Alderman of the City of Plantersville, Grimes County, Texas, met in regular session on Monday, March 8, 2021 at 7:00 p.m. in the Plantersville Town Hall, 11335 Lodge Lane, Plantersville, Texas.

Members Present:

Karen Hale, Mayor
Kimberly Allphin, Alderman Secretary
Marilyn Bettes, Alderman
Frank Dean, Alderman
Otis Greenwood, Jr., Alderman

Members Absent:

Kristina Keyser Mayton, Alderman Mayor Pro Tem

Visitors present: John Greenwood, Sandra Kuta, Delisa Greenwood and Paula Whiteley

1. Call to Order: Quorum was established. Mayor Karen Hale called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m. Alderman Greenwood led the invocation with pledges recited.

2. Minutes: Public Hearing Minutes from January 11, 2021

Motion to Approve: Alderman Marilyn Bettes

Second: Alderman Otis Greenwood, Jr.

Voting Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion carries

Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes from February 8, 2021

Motion to Approve: Alderman Marilyn Bettes

Second: Alderman Kimberly Allphin

Voting Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion carries

Minutes: Special Meeting Minutes from February 16, 2021

Motion to Approve: Alderman Marilyn Bettes

Second: Alderman Kimberly Allphin

Voting Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion carries

3. Public Comments: None

4. Invoices and items currently due and payable: None

5. Disaster Declaration for Winter Storm February 2021

Discussion: Mayor Hale reviewed the disaster declaration statement for consideration

Action – Motion: Alderman Frank Dean moved to approve the Disaster Declaration for Winter Storm February 2021 as presented.

Second: Alderman Otis Greenwood, Jr.

Voting: Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion carries

6. 2021-2022 Community Development Fund, Community Development Block Grant, TxCDBG Community Development Fund

Discussion: Mayor Hale updated board of street/road review with Engineer Steve Duncan. The required Right of Ways of possible improvement and drainage do not meet the standards on some city streets under consideration. Further research is being completed by Mayor Hale regarding the roads within the city limits that have a county road number, to clarify if these roads can be considered for the project.

Action: None

7. May 2021 Election of Officers

Discussion: Mayor Hale advised the Election Contract was completed with Grimes County Elections Administrator, Lucy Ybarra. The candidates were notified of drawing for placement on ballot. Those in attendance drew for placement and those unable to attend were drawn by acting Ballot Officer, Alderman Bettes. The candidates were emailed to review the information for ballot and forwarded to Ms. Ybarra.

Action: None

8. Entergy Ordinance Declining to Approve Rate Increase

Discussion: Mayor Hale stated the ordinance had been prepared and sent for review to each board member. The ordinance was read and reviewed by city officials.

Action - Motion: Alderman Frank Dean moved that the Entergy Ordinance Declining to Approve Rate Increase be sent to the Texas PUC.

Second: Alderman Marilyn Bettes

Voting: Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

9. Plantersville Stoneham Volunteer Fire Department Chief Briggs and other fire department members were recognized and commended for the extraordinary time and effort during the winter storm disaster distributing water to citizens and the community. These individuals assisted the Grimes County Emergency Management Team and the City of Plantersville in providing drinking water. The dedication and service of the Plantersville Stoneham Fire Department is deeply appreciated.

10. Review of Real Estate follows Agenda Item 11 (Community Interest)

Action - Motion: Alderman Bettes moved that agenda item 11 Community Interest be moved above agenda item 10 Review of Real Estate

Second: Alderman Allphin

Voting: Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

11. Community Interest:

Discussion: Alderman Bettes advised that there are temporary traffic light poles at FM 1774 and SH 249. Frontage roads are open.

Alderman Dean would like to place on next agenda for the city to get bids for beautification of the thoroughfares SH 105 and FM 1774 for when road construction is complete. Mayor Hale asked Alderman Dean to research and bring data to future meeting.

12. Item 10 Review of Real Estate – Adjourn to Executive Session/Closed Meeting at 7:40 p.m.

13. Executive Session/Closed Meeting: Reconvene Regular Meeting at 8:33 p.m.

14. No Action Taken

15. Mayor Hale adjourned the meeting at 8:34 p.m.

- Approved

Karen Hale

Date

04-12-2021

Attest

Kimberly Allphin, Secretary

Date

04-12-2021