

Regular Meeting Minutes – City of Plantersville
April 12, 2021

The Board of Alderman of the City of Plantersville, Grimes County, Texas, met in regular session on Monday, April 12, 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: Joann Kutac, Patricia Phillips, Shelly Sauer, Carolyn Kurten, John Greenwood, Sylvia Davila, Sandra Kuta, and Julee Kuta

1. Call to Order: Quorum was established. Mayor Karen Hale called the meeting to order at 7:01 p.m. Alderman Greenwood led the invocation with pledges recited.

2. Minutes: Regular Meeting Minutes from March 8, 2021

Motion to Approve: Alderman Marilyn Bettes

Second: Alderman Frank Dean

Voting Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion carries

Minutes: Special Meeting Minutes from March 29, 2021

Motion to Approve: Alderman Marilyn Bettes

Second: Alderman Otis Greenwood, Jr.

Voting Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion carries

3. Public Comments: None

4. Invoices and items currently due and payable: None

5. Contract Bids for Beautification of SH 105 and FM 1774

Discussion: Alderman Frank Dean advised the normal contract procedures would be to confirm all contractors have Workers Compensation and General Liability with the additional insured of the city. The continued road construction of SH 105 and FM 1774 at this time makes it difficult to appraise the greenspace available.

Action – Motion: Alderman Frank Dean moved to table this discussion at this time.

Second: Alderman Marilyn Bettes

Voting: Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion carries

6. 2021-2022 Community Development Fund, Community Development Block Grant, TxCDBG Community Development Fund: Grant requirement: Fair Housing Poster, Affidavit, Fair Housing Month Proclamation

Discussion: Mayor Hale introduced Grantworks representative, Sylvia Davila. Mayor Hale asked Ms. Davila to review the requirements for grant being discussed of Fair Housing Affidavit and Fair Housing Month Proclamation. Mayor Hale announced that the postings had been completed as required with the written notices posted, city website posting and Facebook announcement.

Action - Motion: #1 – Alderman Kim Allphin moved that the City of Plantersville Proclamation of Fair Housing Month is April 2021 and accepted as presented.

Second: Alderman Marilyn Bettes

Voting: Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

Action - Motion: #2 – Alderman Kim Allphin moved that the Affidavit of Fair Housing be signed and completed as prepared by Mayor Hale for the City of Plantersville in fulfillment of the requirements.

Second: Alderman Otis Greenwood, Jr.

Voting: Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

7. Grant Requirement: Citizens Participation Plan

Discussion: Mayor Hale advised that the Citizens Participation Plan is required as part of the grant requirement. Ms. Davila advised the plan outlines the complaint process, the procedures with grievances, and additional information for the citizens. This is provided in both English and Spanish for citizens of the city.

Action – Motion: Alderman Allphin moved that the Citizens Participation Plan be accepted as presented with posting as required.

Second: Alderman Bettes

Voting: Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

8. Grant Requirement: Resolution 15-21 Authorizing Submission of a TCDBG Program Application

Discussion: Mayor Hale reviewed the resolution of the board that authorizes the submission of the grant block program fund of 2021 -2022 TCDBG Program Application and authorizes the Mayor to act on behalf of the City of Plantersville in all matters pertaining to the Texas Community Development Block Grant Program.

Action - Motion: Alderman Marilyn Bettes moved that Resolution 15-21 Authorizing Submission of TCDBG Program Application be accepted and issued as presented.

Second: Alderman Otis Greenwood, Jr.

Voting: Yes: Unanimous

Final Resolution: Motion Carries

9. Grant Requirement: Public Notice to run April 14, 2021, intent to submit application for TxCDBG Grant
Action - Motion: Alderman Kim Allphin moved that the Public Notice be published on April 14, 2021 of Intent to Submit Application for TxCDBG Grant as presented.
Second: Alderman Marilyn Bettes
Voting: Yes: Unanimous
Final Resolution: Motion Carries

10. Road Maintenance and Status of County Roads within City Limits
Discussion: Mayor Hale announced written clarification received on the issue of County Roads within City of Plantersville Limits is resolved. The City does have the ability to apply for grant funds in the future that would provide drainage, improvements, etc. Also, Mayor Hale and GCR&B Supervisor Walker inspected several city streets to review maintenance and condition.
Action - None

11. Election of Officers May 1, 2021
Discussion: Mayor Hale reviewed the election will be held on Saturday, May 1, 2021 at the Planters Lodge Masonic Hall with the renovations in process at Town Hall. The early voting locations and times have been announced on the Grimes County Election Website.
Action - None

12. Real Estate
Action - None

13. Community Interest:
Road Construction Issues, residents should contact TxDOT Supervisor Chad Bohne at regional office in Bryan to discuss issues, grievances, etc. TxDOT has full control of this matter.
Plantersville Crawfish Festival will be held Saturday, April 24, 2021 on the grounds at Town Hall with Town Hall volunteers hosting the Town Shack Concession Stand.

14. Executive Session/Closed Meeting: None required

15. No Action Taken

16. Mayor Hale adjourned the meeting at 7:29 p.m.

Approved

Attest

Karen Hale, Mayor

Kimberly Allphin, Secretary

Date: 05-10-2021

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