

VERNON CITY COMMISSION
REGULAR MEETING
MARCH 24, 2020

Mayor Pro-Tem Pam Gosline called the Regular Meeting of the Vernon City Commission to order at 6:30 p.m. on March 24, 2020 at City Hall, and a quorum was declared present.

Commissioners: Pam Gosline, Justin Marsh, Don Aydelott – by phone, Britt Ferguson – by phone

Staff Present: City Manager Martin Mangum, City Attorney Jon Whitsitt, Community Development Director Monica Wilkinson, Tourism Director Amanda Lehman, Finance Director Dee Boatenhamer, City Secretary Marsha Jo Stone

Staff Present in Commissioner's Room: Police Chief Randy Agan, Wayne Hodges, Fire Chief J.J. Oznick, Public Works Director Darell Kennon

Mayor Pro-Tem Gosline advised due to COVID-19 only ten people would be allowed in attendance. She advised the Regular Meeting was being broadcast live on Facebook and encouraged citizens to comment during the meeting.

1. **Call To Order**
 - A. Declaration of Quorum – Mayor Pro-Tem declared a quorum
 - B. Invocation – Commissioner Marsh led the group in the Invocation
 - C. Pledge of Allegiance – Commissioner Marsh led the group in the pledge to the United States Flag and to the Texas Flag
2. **Consent Agenda:**
 - A. Approval of the Minutes of the Regular City Commission meeting held on February 25, 2020
 - B. Approval of the Finance Investment Report, Vouchers, Payroll and Benefit Expense for February 1, 2020 to February 29, 2020.
 - C. Approval of other Department Reports

Commissioner Aydelott moved to approve the consent agenda.

Commissioner Ferguson seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

3. **Public Comment**

Adolph Nuncio addressed the Commission – "I am discussing the paving you did last year on the east of Main and south of Wilbarger but there is one street, my street Pearl that has not been paved. It is nothing but dirt road and when it rains it gets muddy. It would need to be graded out completely. I would like to ask the Commission to pave this road to Beaver Street. My address is 3026 Pearl."

4. **Discussion, Consideration and Take Possible Action on the closing of Olive Street from Main Street to Cumberland Street on April 4, 2020 from 9:00 am to 3:00 pm – Molly Jeffrey**

This item was removed by Molly Jeffrey

5. **Discussion, Consideration and Take Possible Action on Municipal Court Judge term of office**

City Manager Mangum advised the original appointment was for one year and by statute it is a two year term

Commissioner Marsh made the motion to appoint Dianne Gribble as Municipal Court Judge for a term ending January 28, 2022.

Commissioner Aydelott seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

6. **Discussion, Consideration and Take Possible Action to approve Sale of Tax Properties: Parcel 4162, 2730 Maiden to Zachary Bodine for \$50.00, Parcel 1654, 520 Yamparika to Edward and Satandra Gates for \$1,010.00, Parcel 9461001, 1328 Gilbert to Zachary Bodine for \$50.00, Parcel 4204, 2302 Summerour to Bill McBroom for \$500.00, Parcel 1092001, 1012 Harrison to Bobby Shivers Living Trust for \$150.00, Parcel 5557001, 1008 Lamar to Bobby Shivers Living Trust for \$ Parcel 7919001, 1216 Ross to Tress Title Services for \$75.00, Parcel 512001, 2717 Bowie to Skyline Real Estate Services for \$52.00**

Commissioner Marsh made the motion to approve Sale of Tax Properties: Parcel 4162, 2730 Maiden to Zachary Bodine for \$50.00, Parcel 1654, 520 Yamparika to Edward and Satandra Gates for \$1,010.00, Parcel 9461001, 1328 Gilbert to Zachary Bodine for \$50.00, Parcel 4204, 2302 Summerour to Bill McBroom for \$500.00, Parcel 1092001, 1012 Harrison to Bobby Shivers Living Trust for \$150.00, Parcel 5557001, 1008 Lamar to Bobby Shivers Living Trust for \$ Parcel 7919001, 1216 Ross to Tress Title Services for \$75.00, Parcel 512001, 2717 Bowie to Skyline Real Estate Services for \$52.00

Commissioner Ferguson seconded the motion, which passed with a vote of 3 Yes (Marsh, Ferguson, Gosline) Abstain (Aydelott)

7. **Discussion, Consideration and Take Possible Action on a request from Andy and Carrie Hawkins for the City to assume the maintenance of utility lines located in an easement on their property at 2624 Paradise, Vernon, Texas**

Andy Hawkins addressed the Commission "I have had issues for a while where my neighbor ties into the line. The problem is about ninety feet from my garage in the ally. It is really deep approximately six feet."

City Attorney Whitsitt requested Public Works Director Kennon to get estimates and present at the next Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Aydelott made the motion to table any action until the next Regular Meeting.

Commissioner Marsh seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

Mayor Jeffrey entered the meeting at this time and will preside over the meeting. He requested Mayor Pro-Tem to continue reading the agenda.

8. **Discussion, Consideration and Take Possible Action on granting a request from Hillcrest Country Club to allow them to purchase water from the City of Vernon at rates commensurate to inside city limits rates**

No action taken

9. **Discussion, Consideration and Take Possible Action to approve the awarding of a bid for the installation of "Headworks Equipment" at the Wastewater Treatment Plant**

Commissioner Aydelott made the motion to approve awarding the bid from Enviro-Care for the Bar Screen, Washer Compactor, Degritter and 4" flow control valve in the amount of \$368,560.00

Commissioner Ferguson seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

10. **Discussion, Consideration and Take Possible Action on Resolution Number 1045 postponing the election ordered in Resolution Number 1042, preserving candidate filings, and repealing conflicting resolutions, providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause and providing an effective date**

Commissioner Marsh made the motion to approve Resolution Number 1045 postponing the election ordered in Resolution Number 1042, preserving candidate filings, and repealing conflicting resolutions, providing a severability clause; providing a savings clause and providing an effective date

Commissioner Aydelott seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

Mayor Jeffrey advised he would be resigning as Mayor effective in June.

11. **Discussion, Consideration and Take Possible Action on extension and ratification of Mayoral Declaration of Local State of Disaster due to Public Health Emergency**

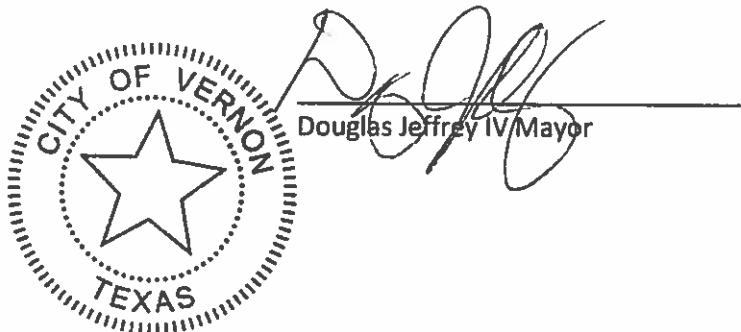
Commissioner Aydelott made the motion to approve the extension and ratification of Mayoral Declaration of Local State of Disaster due to Public Health Emergency

Commissioner Marsh seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.

12. **Adjourn**

Commissioner Marsh made the motion to adjourn the meeting at 7:05 pm.

Commissioner Aydelott seconded the motion, which passed with a unanimous vote.



ATTEST:

Marsha Jo Stone
Marsha Jo Stone, City Secretary