

CITY OF ABERNATHY

The City Council for the City of Abernathy met in regular session on Monday, July 09, 2018 at 7:00 P.M. in the City Hall building at 811 Ave D. Members present were Mayor Kester-Fair, Ron Johnson, Bilinda Prater, Matt Riley, and Jared Shannon. Also present were City Staff including Mike Cypert, Krista Adames, Luis Villarreal, and Oscar Martinez. Members of the Fire Department include Robert Prater and Kelly Vandygriff. Members of the public include Kenny Grant, Lindsey Webb, and Alicia Barboza.

MINUTES

- I. Call to Order**
Mayor Kester-Fair called the meeting to order.
- II. Welcome Guests**
Mayor Kester-Fair welcomed the guest.
- III. Invocation**
Mayor Kester-Fair gave the invocation.
- IV. Review/Approval minutes of the previous meeting**
Councilman Johnson made a motion to approve the minutes as corrected. Councilman Riley seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
- V. Presentation/Approval of Monthly Financial Reports**
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to approve the financial reports. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
- VI. Public Comment (non-action)**
Alicia Barboza spoke against the neighborhood watch program and that she felt that they are harassing her son.
- VII. Action Items For Consideration**
 - A. Consider Authorizations of Funds Expenditures from FY 17-18 Budget for Fire Department Building.**
 1. Councilman Johnson made a motion approving authorizations of Funds Expenditures from FY 17-18 Budget not to exceed \$49,500 to construct a Fire Department Building and that the Fire Chief and the Deputy Fire Chief go ahead and build the new building and handle the electric and gas and that the City move the waterlines, sewer, and the tree. Fund should be allocated as followed: Monroe Spray Foam \$6,800, Manuel's Concrete \$11,000, and Building by Del Rey Pope \$29,400. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 3/0/1 with Councilwoman Prater abstaining.
 2. Councilwoman Prater made a motion approving authorization of Funds Expenditures from the FY 17-18 budget to include up to \$10,000 for additional ancillary construction for the Fire Department Building. Councilman Johnson seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
 - B. Consider Roofing Repairs - Post Office**
Councilman Johnson made a motion approving the bid from Morgan & Myers to put on an R-20 roof in the amount of \$30,200 to repair the post office roof. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
 - C. Call for Proposals – City Banking Depository**
Councilwoman Prater made a motion to call for bids for the City Banking Depository. Councilman Riley seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
 - D. Consider McKenzie Lease Addendum – additional 31.6 acres to Van Riley.**
Councilman Riley made a motion to make the proper adjustments to the contract to add the 31.6 acres to Van Riley's Lease Agreement. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.
 - E. Consider Sewer Farm Lease Offer – additional 77.5 acres to 4J Prosperity.**

Councilman Riley made a motion to make an addendum to 4J Prosperity's lease agreement to add the 77.5 acres at \$10 an acre to his contract. Councilwoman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.

F. Review study, consider approval of future waterline extensions, conditional to compliance with Section 13.04.094, Code of Ordinances – East on Hwy 2060 and Hwy 597.

City Manager Mike Cypert presented the study from Kenny Fryer of Kimley-Horn Engineering of the proposed water lines serving the Proctor Land on Hwy 2060 and HWY 597. He anticipated no issues with providing fire flow rates on the proposed extensions or any adverse effects to existing water customers or system pressures. City Council discussed the study. Councilman Johnson made a motion to deny the Proctor Annexation. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.

G. Consider engagement of engineering - Waterline extensions study south along IH-27 for potential annexation.

Kenny Grant expressed interest about the possibility of extending water lines to Hi Plains Drilling, conditional to annexation. Councilman Shannon made a motion for the City Manager to engage engineering to establish the ability to and impact of providing fire flow rates south along IH-27 for potential annexation with the understanding the developer will reimburse the associated costs. Councilwoman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.

H. Consider Resolution 070918A – Temporary suspension of Personnel Policies Section 8.01 for FY 18-19, authorizing cost share for employee dependent insurance.

Councilwoman Prater made a motion for temporary suspension of Personnel Policies Section 8.01 for FY 18-19, authorizing cost share for employee dependent insurance. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.

I. Consider Resolution 070918B – Authorizing and establishing use fees and security/cleaning deposits associated with the Abernathy Community Park

Councilman Shannon made a motion to accept resolution 070918B. Councilman Riley seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.

J. Consider Ordinance 597 – Amending Solid Waste Collection Charges

Councilwoman Prater made a motion to approve Ordinance 597. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.

K. Disposition of citations for House at 12th & Ave. H – Placed by Councilman Johnson

Councilman Johnson wanted an update about Case # 18-100, a house that was found to be substandard. City Manager Mike Cypert informed him the case did not involve citations, It was ordered that the structures be repaired or removed within 30 days of notice to the owners, after which time, the City Manager is authorized to abate the conditions thereon. The Legal notice was published in the paper of record on May 25, 2018 and that same week a new owner of the property contacted the City. Since the property changed hands all the orders are void. The new owner has a building permit and has continued with progress.

L. Update on Fire Dept. Building – Placed by Councilman Johnson

Councilman Johnson withdrew Item L from the Agenda.

M. Configuration of Council Room – Placed by Councilman Johnson

Councilman Johnson made a motion to table the configuration of the City Council Room to the August meeting. Councilman Shannon seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.

VIII. Items Presented for Information Only

A. Comments by Council Members

1. Transparency to City Council – Councilman Johnson

Councilman Johnson would like results of the substandard housing the City has acted on. He would also like for new hires to be introduced to the City Council.

B. Police Chief - Report to Council

Police Chief Villarreal made a report to City Council.

C. City Manager - Report to Council

City Manager Mike Cypert made a report to City Council.

IX. Adjournment

Councilman Riley made a motion to adjourn. Councilman Prater seconded the motion. The motion passed with a vote of 4/0.