

MINUTES OF REGULAR BUSINESS MEETING
City of Stephenville - City Council
TUESDAY, MAY 15, 2007– 5:30 P.M.

The City Council of the City of Stephenville, Texas, convened on May 15, 2007, at 5:30 p.m., in the Council Chambers at City Hall, 298 West Washington Street, for the purpose of a Regular Business Meeting, with the meeting being open to the public and notice of said meeting, giving the date, time, place and subject thereof, having been posted as prescribed by Chapter 551, Government Code, Vernon's Texas Codes Annotated, with the following members present, to wit:

Mayor	:	Rusty Jergins
Mayor Pro-Tem	:	Todd McEvoy
Council members	:	Cyndi Godwin Malcolm L. Cross Nancy Hunter Andrew Johnson Alan Nash Mark Murphy Barry Ratliff
Others Attending	:	Mark A. Kaiser, City Administrator Randy Thomas, City Attorney Cindy L. Stafford, City Secretary

I. Call to Order

The meeting of the Stephenville City Council was called to order at 5:30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 15, 2007, by Mayor Jergins who declared a quorum present. Mayor Jergins also recognized the Police Chief, Fire Chief, Director of Community Services and Director of Community Development.

II. Recognition of National Police Week and National Peace Officer Memorial Day (moment of silence)

Mayor Jergins acknowledged that "May 13-19, 2007 has been designated as National Police Week and May 15 as National Peace Officer Memorial Day to honor those who gave the ultimate sacrifice. The week containing May 15 has been National Police Week since John F. Kennedy signed the public law creating National Police Week on October 2, 1962. This memorial day is to honor those law enforcement officers who died in the line of duty. In the year 2007, thus far, there have been seven individuals who have lost their lives in the line of duty. Killed in the line of duty in Erath County were Sheriff James Mastin on June 21, 1877; Deputy Sheriff John T. Ross and Deputy Sheriff Marion Robertson on March 29, 1879; and Constable John A. Adams, December 18, 1897."

Mayor Jergins asked everyone to observe a moment of silence in recognition and to pay tribute to law enforcement officers both past and present.

Mayor Jergins thanked Police Chief Roy Halsell for the leadership he provides to the department, and recognized Policer Officer James Gresham, President of the Stephenville Police Officers Association. Jergins asked Officer Gresham to convey to the officers and staff of the Stephenville Police Department appreciation for their service and their contribution to our community.

III. Consider approval of Ordinance No. 2007-09 to rezone from I “Industrial District” to B-5 “Restaurant—Alcoholic Beverage Service District”, Space #34, Lot 8, Block A, FMC Technologies Addition

MOTION by Todd McEvoy, second by Malcolm Cross, to remove this agenda item from the table. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

Applicants, Annette Littlejohn and Cheri Littlejohn, were present. Annette Littlejohn addressed the council requesting approval of their application for rezoning. She reported that they only plan to serve beer and wine, and that beer and wine sales only make up about 1% of total sales in other Wingstop franchises.

MOTION by Malcolm Cross, second by Nancy Hunter, to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-09. MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

Ayes: Council members Cross, Hunter, Johnson, Nash, McEvoy, Murphy, Ratliff, and Mayor Jergins.

Nays: Council member Godwin.

IV. Consider approval of Ordinance No. 2007-10 abandoning and closing certain streets and conveying same to Tarleton State University

MOTION by Todd McEvoy, second by Barry Ratliff, to adopt Ordinance No. 2007-10. MOTION CARRIED by the following vote:

Ayes: Council members Godwin, Hunter, Johnson, Nash, McEvoy, Ratliff, and Mayor Jergins.

Nays: None

Abstention: Council members Murphy and Cross abstained from voting, claiming a conflict of interest.

V. Canvass Election Results of May 12, 2007 City Election and Consider Passing Resolution No. 2007-07

Mayor Jergins appointed council members McEvoy, Cross, Johnson, and Ratliff as members of the canvassing committee. The committee recessed to deliberate the election results with Malcolm Cross serving as chairman. The committee returned and announced its findings as reflected in the attached resolution.

MOTION by Malcolm Cross, second by Andrew Johnson, to adopt Resolution No. 2007-07. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote.

VI. Recognize Outgoing Council Members (if necessary)

Mayor Jergins recognized outgoing council member Cyndi Godwin and expressed appreciation for her service, and presented her with a plaque. Cyndi Godwin thanked the citizens of Stephenville who voted for her. She said that her term on the council has been an experience and that she admired every one of the council members. She congratulated both Council Members Murphy and Shelbourne for their victories and for running successful campaigns.

VII. Oath of Office of Newly Elected Council Members

City Secretary, Cindy Stafford, administered the oath of office to Patrick T. "Pat" Shelbourne, Place 1; Nancy Hunter, Place 3; Alan Nash, Place 5; and Mark Murphy, Place 7.

VIII. Adjourn

MOTION by Todd McEvoy, second by Barry Ratliff, to adjourn the meeting. MOTION CARRIED by unanimous vote at 6:22 p.m.

Russell E. Jergins, Mayor

ATTEST:

Cindy L. Stafford, City Secretary