

**MINUTES
REGULAR MEETING
AUGUST 27, 2018**

The City Council of the City of Navasota, Grimes County, Texas met at the City Council Chambers, Room No. 161, located at 200 E. McAlpine Street at 6:00 p.m., Navasota, Texas on the above date with the following being present:

**Bernie Gessner, Councilmember, Place # 1
Geoff Horn, Councilmember, Place # 2
Josh M. Fultz, Councilmember, Place # 3
Bert Miller, Mayor, Place # 4
Grant E. Holt, Mayor Pro-Tem, Place # 5**

Thus constituting a quorum.

STAFF PRESENT: Brad Stafford, City Manager; Susie M. Homeyer, City Secretary; Lance Hall, Finance Director; Guadalupe Diosdado, Community Development Director; Jeff Greer, Director of Utilities; Jonathan Sosebee, Administrative Intern; Mai Hung, IT Specialist, Emily Gainey, Marketing and Communications Coordinator; Michael Mize, Lieutenant; Jason Katkoski, Fire Chief/EMC; Shawn Myatt, Police Chief/Assistant City Manager and Luke Cochran, Legal Counsel.

VISITORS: Connie Clements, Mirenda Harris, Deborah Richardson, Amy Salvaggio, Andre Perrard, Michael Parks, Raymond Adams and Alan Munger.

THE ITEMS ON THE AGENDA WERE TAKEN UP IN DUE ORDER AS FOLLOWS:

1. Mayor Bert Miller called the meeting to order at 6:00 p.m.
2. Invocation was given by Mayor Pro-Tem Grant E. Holt. The City Council, staff members and visitors then recited the Pledge of Allegiance to the American Flag and the Texas Flag.
3. Remarks of visitors: Connie Clements addressed the City Council about putting up detour signs on Hillside Drive during the construction of the sewer lines.

4. Staff report:

- (a) City Manager Brad Stafford gave an update on the drainage projects;
- (b) Amy Salvaggio introduced the artists in residence;
- (c) Mayor Bert Miller proclaimed the week in which Labor Day falls as "National Payroll Week" and proclaimed the month of August as Fair Housing Month;
- (d) Councilmember Geoff Horn gave an update on the latest airport meeting and Councilmember Bernie Gessner gave an update on the latest Planning and Zoning meeting;
- (e) City Councilmembers and staff informed the audience about upcoming events;

5. Amy Salvaggio, with the Arts Council of the Brazos Valley, went over the quarterly report that ended June 30, 2018.

6. A public hearing was held on a proposal to increase the tax rate for 2018. Mayor Bert Miller opened the public hearing at 6:24 p.m. The Mayor read the following statement: "The City Council of the City of Navasota is scheduled to vote on the tax rate that will result in that tax increase at a public meeting at 6:00 p.m. on September 10, 2018 at the City Council Chambers located at 200 East McAlpine Street for first reading; and a public meeting at 6:00 p.m. on September 24, 2018 at the City Council Chambers located at 200 East McAlpine Street for second reading". With no comments from the public, Mayor Bert Miller closed the public hearing at 6:26 p.m.

7. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to approve Resolution No. 646-18, authorizing submission of the 2016 community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery Application requesting \$2,000,000 for drainage improvements and approval of the 1% match, seconded by Councilmember Geoff Horn and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

8. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve the Citizen Participation Plan for the 2016 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery program, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.

9. Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt moved to adopt the Procurement Policy for the City of Navasota, seconded by Councilmember Geoff Horn and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.
10. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve Resolution No. 647-18, designating authorized signatories for the 2015 Community Development Block Grant Disaster Recovery program contract 18-426-000-B135, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.
11. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve Resolution No. 648-18, adopting Civil Rights Policies for the Community Development Block Grant for Disaster Recovery, seconded by Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.
12. Mayor Bert Miller moved to approve the first reading of Ordinance No. 855-18, denying the rate increase request of Entergy, Texas, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz and with each Councilmember voting AYE, the motion carried.
13. Councilmember Geoff Horn moved to approve Change Order No. 2 on the 2017 Sanitary Sewer Replacement Project in the amount of \$29,930, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz. The following votes were recorded:

AYES: Mayor Bert Miller, Councilmember Bernie Gessner, Councilmember Josh Fultz and Councilmember Geoff Horn

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt had to leave the room and was absent during the vote

Mayor Bert Miller announced that the motion carried.

14. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve the ground lease agreement between the City of Navasota and Brazos Valley Council of Governments for a telecommunications hut to be used in the deployment of fiber cable, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz. The following votes were recorded:

AYES: Mayor Bert Miller, Councilmember Bernie Gessner, Councilmember Josh Fultz and Councilmember Geoff Horn

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt had to leave the room and was absent during the vote

Mayor Bert Miller announced that the motion carried.

15. Councilmember Geoff Horn moved to approve an interlocal agreement with Grimes County for fire protection services with a payment of \$93,241 for the 2018-2019 fiscal year, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz. The following votes were recorded:

AYES: Mayor Bert Miller, Councilmember Bernie Gessner, Councilmember Josh Fultz and Councilmember Geoff Horn

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt had to leave the room and was absent during the vote

Mayor Bert Miller announced that the motion carried.

16. Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve a lease agreement with Larry and Mildred Wood for grazing and baling purposes at the closed landfill site for \$30.00 per acre annually, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz. The following votes were recorded:

AYES: Mayor Bert Miller, Councilmember Bernie Gessner, Councilmember Josh Fultz and Councilmember Geoff Horn

NAYS: None.

ABSENT: Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt had to leave the room and was absent during the vote

Mayor Bert Miller announced that the motion carried.

17. A workshop was held on truck engine brakes.
18. The consent agenda items were separated and not voted on as a consent item. Councilmember Bernie Gessner recused himself from Item A. Councilmember Geoff Horn moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 853-18, amending the official zoning map granting a specific use permit to Michael Gessner for a food vendor park for food trucks and trailers at the property located at 203 South LaSalle, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz. The following votes were recorded:

AYES: Mayor Bert Miller, Councilmember Josh Fultz and Councilmember Geoff Horn

NAYS: None.

ABSTAIN: Councilmember Bernie Gessner

ABSENT: Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt had to leave the room and was absent during the vote

Mayor Bert Miller announced that the motion carried.

Item B: Councilmember Bernie Gessner moved to approve the second reading of Ordinance No. 854-18, amending Chapter 3, building regulations, Article 3.07 streets and sidewalks of the Code of Ordinances of the City of Navasota, Texas, providing for the regulation of sidewalk maintenance and repair, seconded by Councilmember Josh Fultz. The following votes were recorded:

AYES: Mayor Bert Miller, Councilmember Bernie Gessner, Councilmember Josh Fultz and Councilmember Geoff Horn

NAYS: None.

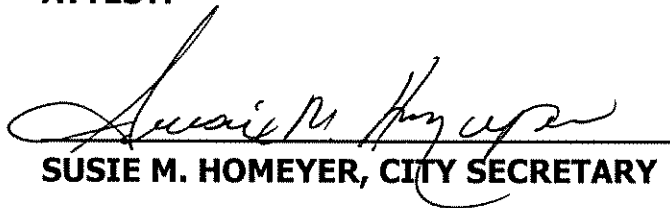
ABSENT: Mayor Pro-Tem Grant Holt had to leave the room and was absent during the vote

Mayor Bert Miller announced that the motion carried.

19. Mayor Bert Miller adjourned the meeting at 7:28 p.m.


BERT MILLER, MAYOR

ATTEST:


SUSIE M. HOMEYER, CITY SECRETARY

