Niederwald City Council September 11, 2023, Council Meeting Minutes

The following represents the actions taken by the Niederwald City Council in the order they occurred during the City Council meeting.

Mayor Charles Bisson called the meeting to order at 7:02 p.m.

Role was called. Council members in attendance were:

Dawn Bowen Connie Wood Jaime Aragon

City Administrator Sara Montgomery, City Attorney Luke Cochran and Assistant City Secretary Reynell Smith were in attendance.

Absent: Diane Shirey and Ken Perry

A moment of silence was observed.

Presentations: None Public Comment: None

Mayor Bisson closed the Council Meeting at 7:04 pm to go into the Public Hearing.

7:05 Public Hearing: 190 Coyote Hollow zoning variance to allow second residence.

Agenda Item 1. Discussion and possible action on granting a variance for 190 Coyote Hollow to allow for a second residence on property.

Synopsis: The City Attorney stated that our zoning does not apply and we cannot regulate density in our

subdivision regulations in the ETJ. The Item became null and void.

Motion: None

Agenda Item 2. Discussion and possible action to issue an Order to Cancel November Election and accept the slate of candidates.

Synopsis: Sara advised the Council that the City had received two applications for the three vacant positions on the Council for the November Election by the election deadline.

Motion: Council Member Wood made the motion to issue an Order to cancel the November Election and accept the slate of candidates and the motion was seconded by Council Member Bowen.

Vote:

Wood -Yes Shirey - Absent Bowen - Yes Aragon - Yes Perry - Absent

Motion Passed

Agenda Item 3. Discussion and possible action to accept City Management Consulting Services for maintenance scope of work as presented by O & M Management Services, LLC.

Synopsis: Bill Fry of O & M Management Services (OMMS) described how OMMS would provide consulting services to the City by providing the City with a maintenance schedule and overseeing the work being done. He stated that the Agreement/Contract could be terminated at any time without recourse and that the City would still be free to use outside vendors for work where needed.

Motion: Council Member Bowen motioned to accept the contract as written and Council Member Wood seconded the motion.

Vote:

Perry - Absent Wood - Yes Shirey - Absent Bowen - Yes Aragon - Yes

Motion Passed

Agenda Item 4. Report on city operations and activities by City Administrator.

Synopsis: Sara shared that the Gini Lane Road repairs are still scheduled mid-October and most of the Windridge road repairs have been completed. She informed the Council that Brohn Homes requested an ETJ Release and that would be included on the next scheduled agenda.

Motion: No Action Taken

Agenda Item 5. Discussion and possible action to annex approximately 3.542 acres at 12954 Camino Real.

Synopsis: The City attorney advised that we take no action at this time and that the City must have a service agreement in place and send all notices again before any action can be taken.

Motion: A motion was made by Council Member Wood to table this item and the motion was seconded by Council Member Bowen.

Vote:

Wood -Yes Shirey - Absent Bowen - Yes Aragon - Yes Perry - Absent

Agenda Item 6. Discussion and possible action on financial reports for fiscal year to date.

Synopsis: The financial report for the fiscal year to date was presented to Council.

Motion: None

Agenda Item 7. Discussion and possible action on paying outstanding bills in excess of City Administrator's authorized limits.

Synopsis: Invoices included:

(2) invoices from LNV for a total of \$4,721.38

(1) invoice from Bovey & Cochran for a total of \$198.00

(110) invoices from ATS for a total of \$7,312.50

Motion: A motion was made by Council Member Wood and seconded by Council Member Bowen to approve the bills as presented.

Vote:

Wood -Yes

Shirey – Absent Bowen – Yes Aragon – Yes Perry – Absent

Motion Passed

Mayor Bisson closed the meeting at 7:39 pm to go into Executive Session as Authorized by Sections 551.074, Texas Government Code, Related to Personnel Matters, for discussion and deliberation regarding the appointment, employment, evaluation, reassignment, duties, discipline or dismissal of a public officer or employee, to wit:

Sara Montgomery, City Administrator/City Secretary Reynell Smith, Assistant City Secretary

Executive Session was closed at 8:17 pm and Mayor Bisson reconvened the Council Meeting at 8:18 pm. There was not a quorum present due to Council Member Aragon having to leave, so there was no further action.

Announcements:

October 2, 2023 is the next scheduled Council Meeting and the Mayor may need to call a special meeting prior to end of month for tax rate and budget approvals. City Attorney advised the Council of new laws that have been passed that will have an impact on the City.

Meeting was adjourned at 9:22 p.m.

Mayor

City of Niederwald

Attest:

City Secretary
City of Niederwald