

CITY OF COOPER
CITY COUNCIL MEETING – REGULAR
DECEMBER 9, 2019 – 5:00 PM

COUNCIL MEMBERS PRESENT: DARREN BRADY; MAYOR, DAVID PHILLIPS, ALLEN FOSTER, AMANDA L'ESPERANCE, DONNA THOMASON, AND WILLIE 'BEAR" WILKINS

CITY ATTORNEY: JAY GARRETT

OTHERS PRESENT: EMILY HOWSE, PIERCE ROGERS, ELDON FOX, KASEY BRITTON, SUSAN RASER, KAREN ATKINS, DANNIE PHILLIPS, JIM BUTLER, KIM COX, JOE ADAMS, PATRICIA CROUCH, SHERRY CROUCH, AND CAROL CROUCH

AGENDA ITEM #1

Mayor Darren Braddy called the meeting to order and Darren also voiced the prayer.

AGENDA ITEM #2

Willie "Bear" Wilkins made the motion to approve the November 12, 2019 public hearing minutes and the November 12, 2019 regular meeting minutes as presented. Allen Foster seconded. David Phillips abstained due to his absence at that meeting. Vote carried.

AGENDA ITEM #3

Mayor Braddy presented to the council that the Zoning Commission had met on December 7, 2019 to discuss the need to change the zoning on Dallas Avenue and one block off from city limits to city limits. Darren stated that the current zoning map states this area as Light Industrial (LI) and in his opinion this would allow possible undesirable businesses to be allowed in that area. It was the consensus of the Zoning Commission to change the zoning from LI to Light Commercial (LC) and Residential. Darren also stated that there were other areas that needed zoning clean up and he was working toward getting that done in the future. Darren stated that a new map would be made when the changes were complete. Willie "Bear" Wilkins made the motion to change the zoning on Dallas Avenue and one block off from LI to LC/Residential as desired by the Zoning Commission. Donna Thomason seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #4

Mayor Braddy presented to the council an ordinance establishing rules governing public comments at City Council meetings. Darren stated that new laws were put in place pertaining to this allowance. He stated that the city already allowed public comments and would continue to do so but we must comply with state regulation procedure. Allen Foster made the motion for City Attorney Jay Garrett to read ordinance 01-12-19 by caption. Donna Thomason seconded. Vote unanimous. City Attorney Jay Garrett read:

Ordinance 01-12-19

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF COOPER, TEXAS ESTABLISHING RULES GOVERNING PUBLIC COMMENTS AT CITY COUNCIL MEETINGS; PROVIDING A SEVERABILITY CLAUSE, EFFECTIVE DATE, AND OPEN MEETINGS CLAUSES; AND PROVIDING FOR RELATED MATTERS

Allen Foster made the motion to approve ordinance 01-12-19 as presented. Amanda L'Esperance seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #5

Mayor Braddy presented to the council the interlocal agreement with the Cooper Volunteer Fire Department that was discussed and approved at the November 12, 2019 meeting for the purchase of a new fire truck which will be funded by the TXCDBG FAST FUND GRANT Contract #7219096. Darren stated that minor changes had been made stating mutual aid allowance. Donna Thomason made the motion to approve the interlocal agreement with the Cooper Volunteer Fire Department for the purchase of a new fire truck funded by the TXCDBG FAST FUND GRANT Contract #7219096 as presented. David Phillips seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #6

The item of reappointing members to the Cooper Housing Authority Board was tabled due to the fact that one of the members had moved out of the city. This item will be discussed at a later date.

AGENDA ITEM #7

Willie "Bear" Wilkins made the motion to reappoint Kathy Houchins, Carolyn Bacy, and Cynthia Steward to the Planning and Zoning Commission for a two-year term. Allen Foster seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #8

Mayor Darren Braddy updated the council on the maintenance projects.

AGENDA ITEM #9

Monthly budget reports were reviewed.

AGENDA ITEM #10

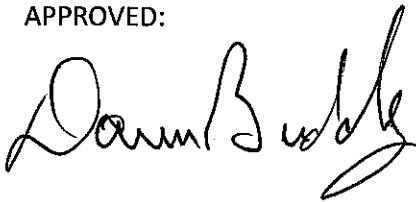
David Phillips made the motion to approve accounts payable. Allen Foster seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #11

Allen Foster made the motion to adjourn. David Phillips seconded. Vote unanimous.

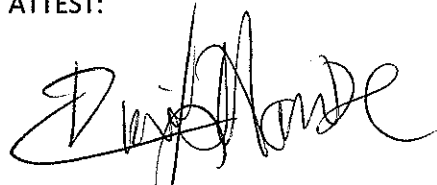
TIME: 5:35 PM

APPROVED:



DARREN BRADDY, MAYOR
CITY OF COOPER

ATTEST:



EMILY HOWSE
CITY SECRETARY