

CITY OF COOPER  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING – REGULAR  
AUGUST 8, 2022 – 5:00 PM

MEMBERS PRESENT: DARREN BRADY; MAYOR, DAVID PHILLIPS, AMANDA L'ESPERANCE, JOSH HOSKISON, DIANE STEGALL VIA ZOOM, AND ALLEN FOSTER VIA ZOOM

CITY ATTORNEY: JAY GARRETT

OTHERS PRESENT: EMILY HOWSE, LUCAS HAMRICK CHARLES RUZICKA, TANNER CRUTCHER, JOE ADAMS, JETER CHERRY, SHEILA CHERRY, DORTHY RUTLEDGE, KASEY BRITTON, KAREN ATKINS, SUSAN RASER, KASEY SMITH AND LINDA BARNES

AGENDA ITEM #1

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

AGENDA ITEM #2

Mayor Darren Braddy asked for public comments. No comments were made.

AGENDA ITEM #3

Amanda L'Esperance made the motion to approve the July 11, 2022 public hearing minutes and the regular meeting minutes as presented. Josh Hoskison seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #4

Mayor Darren Braddy read the proclamation recognizing August 7-13, 2022 as National Health Center Week. Kasey Smith, with Care Vide thanked Mayor Braddy for the reading of the proclamation. Mayor Braddy commended Kasey and all health care people and organizations for their caring and dedication to the communities in which they serve.

AGENDA ITEM #5

Mayor Braddy presented to the council again the item of the Mason Building located at 110 S.W. 1<sup>st</sup> DCAD Property ID #5928. Mayor Braddy asked City Attorney, Jay Garrett, if documents had been prepared. City Attorney, Jay Garrett, stated that the property would have to be publicly advertised for sale in accordance with state regulations for the sale of city property. Jay also stated that a licensed professional would need to be contacted to determine the worth of the property so a minimum bid could be established.

No action was taken on this item.

AGENDA ITEM #6

Mayor Braddy presented to the council the detail of the proposed RV Park to be located at 40 TX Hwy 24, Lakeview Grocery & Deli property. Mayor Braddy stated that this item was presented to the Planning and Zoning Board on June 7, 2022 at which time was determined that the property was currently zoned commercial therefore no action from the P&Z was necessary so it was now the discretion of the council for the allowance of the RV Park. Diane Stegall asked if the required 40-foot distance between electric locations were met. Mayor Braddy stated that the plan presented complied with the regulations set forth by the City Council with Ordinance #03-02-22.

Amanda L'Esperance made the motion to allow the RV Park to be constructed at 40 TX Hwy 24. Josh Hoskison seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #7

Mayor Braddy presented to the council 8 documents to be approved. These documents are formalities for the CDV 21-0376 Street Grant.

Diane Stegall made the motion for City Attorney, Jay Garrett, to read all 8 documents by caption or excerpt. David Phillips seconded. Vote unanimous.

City Attorney read all 8 documents by caption or excerpt.

David Phillips made the motion to approve as read:

- Resolution #01-08-22 Authorizing Signatures
- Resolution #02-08-22 Regarding Civil Rights
- Citizen Participation Plan A 1013
- Excessive Force Policy A 1003
- Section 504 Policy Against Discrimination Based on Handicap and Grievance Procedures A 1004
- Code Of Conduct Policy
- Fair Housing Policy A 1015
- Proclamation of April as Fair Housing Month A 1007

Allen Foster seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #8

Mayor Braddy presented to the council Resolution #03-08-22 authorizing the execution of the TA-Set-Aside Sidewalk Project. Mayor Braddy reminded the council that this was the sidewalk grant that would go from W. Waco to the Elementary School on the East side of S.W. 8<sup>th</sup> Street of which Cooper ISD would be funding the match portion of this grant.

Allen Foster made the motion for City Attorney, Jay Garrett to read Resolution #03-08-22 by caption.

Diane Stegall seconded. Vote unanimous.

City Attorney, Jay Garrett, read:

**RESOLUTION #03-08-22**

**A RESOLUTION AUTHORIZING EXECUTION OF AN ADVANCE FUNDING AGREEMENT (AFA) WITH THE TEXAS DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION FOR A TRANSPORTATION ALTERNATIVES SET-ASIDE (TASA) PROJECT**

Diane Stegall made the motion to approve Resolution #03-08-22 as read. Allen Foster seconded. Vote unanimous.

AGENDA ITEM #9

Mayor Braddy again presented the item of use of the second round of American Rescue Plan Act (ARPA) Funds. Mayor Braddy presented the council with maps showing the streets that need to be topped that were previously graveled, using second round ARPA Funds. Pershing going West from N.W. 1<sup>st</sup> to N.W. 3<sup>rd</sup> then South on N.W. 3<sup>rd</sup> to W. Commerce \$42,000.00. S.E. 1<sup>st</sup> from E. Waco South to E. Beaumont \$68,000.00. North on N.E. 8<sup>th</sup> from E. Dallas to dead end \$35,000.00. North on N.E. 4<sup>th</sup> from E. Bonham to dead end \$30,000.00. East on E. McKinney from S.E. 1<sup>st</sup> to S.E. 7<sup>th</sup> \$45,000.00. S.W. 13<sup>th</sup> from W. Kaufman to W. McKinney \$49,000.00.

Mayor Braddy stated that these proposed street repairs include all quadrants of the city and would have to be supplemented with budget funds in the amount of around \$20,000.00.

It was the consensus of the council to approve the streets presented to be topped when the ARPA Funds become available.

Amanda L'Esperance made the motion to approve that: Pershing going West from N.W. 1<sup>st</sup> to N.W. 3<sup>rd</sup> then South on N.W. 3<sup>rd</sup> to W. Commerce \$42,000.00. S.E. 1<sup>st</sup> from E. Waco South to E. Beaumont

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5:51 PM Diane Stegall excused herself from the meeting.

#### AGENDA ITEM #10

Mayor Braddy presented to the council that Mirella Jackson wished to replat DCAD Property ID #6426. City Attorney, Jay Garrett, brought to the council's attention that the plat did not reflect the zoning set back distance therefore this item could not be approved.

Allen Foster made the motion to table this item until the next meeting. Josh Hoskison seconded. Vote unanimous.

#### AGENDA ITEM #11

Mayor Braddy presented to the council the interlocal agreement for the joint election equipment purchase between the City of Cooper, Cooper ISD and Delta County MUD.

Josh Hoskison made the motion to approve the interlocal agreement for the joint election equipment purchase between the City of Cooper, Cooper ISD and Delta County MUD. David Phillips seconded. Vote unanimous.

#### AGENDA ITEM #12

Mayor Braddy presented to the council the joint election agreement between the City of Cooper, Cooper ISD and Delta County MUD for all future elections.

Amanda L'Esperance made the motion to approve the joint election agreement between the City of Cooper, Cooper ISD and Delta County MUD as written. Allen Foster seconded. Vote unanimous.

#### AGENDA ITEM #13

Mayor Braddy presented to the council that Judy Falls had submitted a request for funds from the Frankie McKinney Arts Alliance Fund in the amount of \$3,500.00 to be issued to the Cotton Harvest Festival to supplement the cost of entertainment for the event.

Allen Foster made the motion to approve the request of funds from the Frankie McKinney Arts Alliance Fund in the amount of \$3,500.00 payable to the Cotton Harvest Festival. Amanda L'Esperance seconded. Vote unanimous.

#### AGENDA ITEM #14

Mayor Braddy introduced Tanner Crutcher, Fire Chief, to present his monthly report. Tanner stated the numerous calls that the Fire Department had received in the month of July. Tanner commended the work and effort of the Volunteers as well as the paid Rotating Shift Fire/Paramedics (RTF) for their long hours of dedicated work in this high fire danger time due to hot and dry weather. Tanner also commended the RTF for their paramedic status that saved the life of a stroke patient due to their quick response and medical knowledge. Tanner stated that the RTF are frequently out checking fire hydrants and they are using the fire truck on these tasks for quicker response time in case an emergency call comes in. He stated that they also take the truck when they get a lunch break for the same quick response time if a call comes in. Tanner again commended the Volunteers and the RTF for their outstanding efforts for the Fire Department.

Mayor Darren Braddy updated the council on all other happenings within the city which included employee licensing, water leaks, and street repairs.

AGENDA ITEM #15

Monthly budget reports were reviewed.

AGENDA ITEM #16

Accounts payable were reviewed.

AGENDA ITEM #17

David Phillips made the motion to adjourn. Amanda L'Esperance seconded. Vote unanimous.

TIME: 6:33 pm

APPROVED:



DARREN BRADDY, MAYOR  
CITY OF COOER

ATTEST:



EMILY HOWSE  
CITY SECRETARY