

CITY OF CUMBY  
CITY COUNCIL MEETING  
FEBRUARY 1, 2011

THE CITY OF CUMBY, TEXAS, MET IN REGULAR SESSION ON TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 1, 2011, AT 7:00 PM, 100 E. MAIN STREET, CUMBY TEXAS.

THE FOLLOWING WERE PRESENT: MAYOR JEFF STRICKLAND, ALDERMAN CHUCK TUGGLE, ALDERMAN BILL JENKINS, ALDERMAN BRIAN SEELY, ALDERMAN KATHY HALL CARTER, CITY SECRETARY ANGIE ALLEN, CHIEF SCOTT SEWELL, LaNORA POWELL, ROGER PETTY.

1) MAYOR STRICKLAND CALLED THE MEETING TO ORDER AT 7:00 PM.

2) ALDERMAN TUGGLE MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES FROM THE PREVIOUS MONTHS MEETING. ALDERMAN HALL-CARTER SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL APPROVE. MOTION PASSED.

3) PRESENTATION FROM THE CITIZENS: NONE.

4) OLD BUSINESS:

A) STREETS: STREETS WILL NEED TO BE REPAIRED WHEN WEATHER PERMITS.

B) WATER FACILITIES: WELLS PUMPED 3,280,200. WATER SOLD 2,298,500. THE WWTP & CHURCHES USED 401,800. THERE WAS A LOSS OF 546,300. ALDERMAN JENKINS STATED THAT THE REPORT ROGER PETTY IS GIVING IS FROM THE 1<sup>ST</sup> OF THE MONTH THRU THE 30<sup>TH</sup> OF THE MONTH. LaNORA IS GIVING PAPER WORK FOR WATER SOLD FROM THE 12<sup>TH</sup> TO THE 12<sup>TH</sup> IF YOU COMPARE THE WATER PUMPED FROM THE 12<sup>TH</sup> TO THE 12<sup>TH</sup> TO THE WATER SOLD IN THE SAME TIME FRAME IT BRINGS THE LOSS TO 100,000. 134 POUNDS OF CHLORINE WERE USED.

C) SEWER PLANT: RUNNING CLEAN SINCE SEWER PLANT WAS CLEANED FOR A TOTAL COST OF \$2000.00.

SOUTH MILL SEWER WAS REPAIRED. TREE ROOTS WERE CUT OUT, NEW PIPE INSTALLED & NEW TAP INSTALLED.

D) WELL SITUATION: WELL # 2 NEW METER INSTALLED 70 – 75 GALLONS PER MINUTE.

E) LEAK SITUATION: 2 INCH LEAK REPAIRED AT BALLPARK GATE AT BEN K. GREEN PARK. 4 INCH LEAK REPAIRED IN FRONT OF SCHOOL. MAYOR STRICKLAND STATED THAT THE CITY NEEDS TO COME UP WITH A SET AMOUNT OF DAYS TO GIVE CUSTOMERS THAT HAVE BEEN DISCONNECTED FOR FAILURE TO PAY ON THE 21<sup>ST</sup> OF THE MONTH. THE MAYOR SUGGESTED THAT THE CITY SEND A LETTER TO EVERY CUSTOMER THAT HAS BEEN DISCONNECTED ON THE 21<sup>ST</sup> STATING THAT THEY HAVE 14 DAYS FROM THE DATE OF THE LETTER TO PAY FOR THEIR OUTSTANDING BILL DUE TO THE CITY AND A \$25.00 RE-CONNECT FEE OR THEIR WATER ACCOUNT WILL BE FINIALIZED AND THEIR DEPOSIT WILL BE USED TO PAY THE OUTSTANDING BALANCE DUE TO THE CITY. THE

CUSTOMER WILL THEN HAVE TO MAKE A NEW DEPOSIT TO HAVE CITY SERVICES. THE \$25.00 DOLLAR RECONNECT FEE WILL ONLY BE CHARGED IF THE CUSTOMER PAYS THE BALANCE DUE BEFORE THE 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY. IF THE 14<sup>TH</sup> DAY FALLS ON A FRIDAY OR WEEKEND THE CUSTOMER WILL HAVE UNTIL THE FOLLOWING MONDAY. ALDERMAN JENKINS STATED THAT THE CITY NEEDS TO MAKE AN OPERATION PROCEDURE TO FOLLOW. ALDERMAN HIGGINBOTHAM SUGGESTED THAT THE CITY ADOPT A RESOLUTION AS A STANDARD OPERATION PROCEDURE. ANGIE ALLEN STATED THAT SHE WOULD PUT THE RESOLUTION ON THE AGENDA FOR MARCH MEETING. ALDERMAN JENKINS MADE A MOTION TO WAIT 14 DAYS BEFORE FINALIZING ANY WATER ACCOUNT ONCE THE WATER HAS BEEN DISCONNECTED AND A LETTER SHOULD BE SENT TO THE CUSTOMER STATING THEY HAVE 14 DAYS. ALDERMAN TUGGLE SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL APPROVE. MOTION PASSED.

5) NEW BUSINESS:

A) **ATMOS- FRANCHISE FEE ON FEE:** JEANETTE MOSER OF ATMOS ENERGY CONTACTED THE CITY ABOUT THE FRANCHISE FEE ON FEE. SHE STATED THAT ATMOS ENERGY IS WILLING TO INCLUDE FRANCHISE FEES IN THE DEFINITION OF GROSS REVENUES WITH THE UNDERSTANDING THAT IT WILL BE RECOVERED FROM ATMOS CUSTOMERS WITHIN THE CITY OF CUMBY. THE CITY IS NOT PAYING THIS FEE NOW. IF THE CITY WOULD LIKE ATMOS TO CHARGE THE FEE TO ATMOS USERS IN THE CITY THE CITY WILL RECOVER AROUND \$300.00 PER YEAR ADDED TO THE FRANCHISE FEE. THE ATMOS GAS USERS IN THE CITY WILL HAVE TO PAY FOR THE FRANCHISE FEE THAT WILL BE ADDED TO THEIR BILL. ALDERMAN JENKINS SUGGESTED THAT THE CITY SAY NO TO THE FRANCHISE FEE ON FEE. ANGIE ALLEN STATED THAT THE CITY RECEIVED A LETTER FROM MR. DAVID PARK OF ATMOS ENERGY. THE LETTER STATES: THE CITY INTENDS THAT ALL AMOUNTS BILLED TO AND COLLECTED FROM CUSTOMERS FOR FRANCHISE FEES (OTHER THAN THOSE ASSESSED ON THE VALUE OF TRANSPORTED GAS) BE ADDED TO THE REVENUE AMOUNT THAT ATMOS USES TO CALCULATE THE CITY'S FRANCHISE FEE PAYMENT. THE COUNCIL ALL AGREED NO TO THIS.

THE CITY ELECTS TO RECEIVE AN ADDITIONAL PAYMENT FOR THE PERIOD OF TIME BEGINNING WITH JANUARY 1, 2009 THAT FRANCHISE FEES (OTHER THAN THOSE ASSESSED ON THE VALUE OF TRANSPORTED GAS) WERE NOT INCLUDED IN THE CALCULATION OF THE CITY'S FRANCHISE FEE PAYMENT. THE COUNCIL ALL AGREED NO TO THIS.

ANGIE ALLEN HAD MAYOR STRICKLAND SIGN AND DATE THE LETTER FROM MR. PARK AND WILL FORWARD IT TO ATMOS ENERGY.

B) **ONCOR- TAKE A LOAD OFF TEXAS GRANT:** MAYOR STRICKLAND STATED THAT THE GRANT IS FOR LIGHTING PROJECTS, COOLING PROJECTS, ROOFING PROJECTS. HE STATED THAT AT THIS TIME THE CITY DOES NOT HAVE ANY PROJECTS THAT NEED TO BE DONE USING THIS GRANT.

C) **BLACKJACK GROVE DAY:** ANGIE ALLEN STATED THAT WANDA WALLACE CONTACTED HER ABOUT BLACKJACK GROVE DAY. MRS. WALLACE WILL BE STEPIING DOWN FROM HER DUTIES AT BLACKJACK GROVE DAY, SHE SUGGESTED THAT THE CITY FORM A COMMITTEE. ANGIE ALLEN STATED THAT SHE WOULD LIKE TO HEAD THE COMMITTEE. THE COUNCIL ALL AGREED TO LET ANGIE ALLEN HEAD THE COMMITTEE FOR BJG DAY. ANGIE ALLEN ASKED THE MAYOR ABOUT A STREET DANCE, THE MAYOR APPROVED. RANDAL PRICE DONATED 2 PALLATS OF 2x6x8 WOOD FOR A STAGE FOR BJG DAY. ALDERMAN JENKINS SUGGESTED THE BASE OF THE STAGE SHOULD BE MADE OUT OF METAL & FINISHED WITH WOOD.

D) **ONLINE BANKING – ALLIANCE BANK:** ANGIE ALLEN SUGGESTED THAT THE CITY PARTICIPATE IN ONLINE BANKING. ALLIANCE BANK OFFERS DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR EMPLOYEES. ALDERMAN TUGGLE MADE A MOTION TO SIGN UP FOR ONLINE BANKING & DIRECT DEPOSIT. ALDERMAN JENKINS SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL APPROVE. MOTION PASSED.

E) **DISCUSS REVAMPING THE CHLORINE ROOM AT WELL HOUSE:** ALDERMAN JENKINS STATED THAT THE CHLORINE ROOM NEEDS TO BE REDONE. PICTURES ARE ENCLOSED. THERE IS NOT ENOUGH ROOM & PROPER VENTILATION NEEDS TO BE INSTALLED. HE STATED THAT HE WOULD DRAW UP PLANS FOR THE NEW ROOM & PRESENT THEM AT THE NEXT COUNCIL MEETING. ALDERMAN JENKINS ALSO STATED THAT 346,000 GALLONS OF TREATED WATER WERE USED AT THE WWTP. HE SUGGESTED THAT THE CITY BUY A PUMP TO ROUTE THE WATER BACK INTO THE SYSTEM.

6) POLICE DEPARTMENT/ CHIEF SEWELL: FOR THE MONTH OF JANUARY THERE WERE A TOTAL OF 349 CITATIONS ISSUED. 12 OFFENSE REPORTS TAKEN. 5 MISD. ARRESTS, 3 FELONY ARRESTS, 4 CASES FILED WITH THE COUNTY ATTORNEY, 5 CASE FILED WITH THE DISTRICT ATTORNEY. \$39,522.00 CASH SEIZED.

7) PAY MONTHLY BILLS: ALDERMAN JENKINS MADE A MOTION TO PAY THE MONTHLY BILLS. ALDERMAN HIGGINBOTHAM SECONDED THE MOTION. ALL APPROVE. MOTION PASSED.

8) ITEMS FROM THE COUNCIL: NONE

WITH ALL BUSINESS COMPLETE THE MEETING WAS ADJORNED AT 8:25 PM.

  
MAYOR JEFF STRICKLAND

ATTEST:



