Regular Council Meeting
March 2, 2021

Meeting called to order by Mayor Harley at 7:00pm.

Invocation given by Councilman Evans

Pledge of Allegiance led by Councilman Andrews

Welcome Extended to all by Mayor Harley.

Present were Mayor John R. Harley, Councilman Cameron Andrews, Councilman J. Micheal Evans, Councilman Edward Armijo and City Attorney Tydings. Councilman Justin Wright absent.

Public Comments – None.

Motion made by Councilman Evans to add item: Discussion Archdale Water Tower; seconded by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried. Will be listed as item # 7.

Adoption of Minutes: Motion made by Councilman Armijo to adopt both sets of minutes as written; seconded by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried.

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Old Business – None.

New Business

Home Based Business Licenses- Prestige Surplus LLC, owner Erwin Middleton-125 Back Cedar Lane: Councilman Evans made motion to approve; seconded by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried.

Home Based Business Licenses-More Pain, owner Patrick Scheffer Sr, 120 Ridge Bend Dr: Councilman Armijo made motion to approve; seconded by Councilman Evans. Motion carried.

Discussion: Center Park at Centerville Fence: Councilman Evans stated that it is great to have the park on the corner of Houston Lake Blvd and Church Street. As you ride by, you see people out enjoying the park. This is what we envisioned. It is great to have a place in the city where people can gather and enjoy time with their children. Additionally, we all want people using the park to be safe, so this is why we are considering adding a fence. Recognized Director of Marketing Hogan. Mrs. Hogan provided a picture of the style of the fence, copy of comments from Facebook, and diagram showing the location of proposed fence and (2) quotes. Mayor entertained motion. Motion made by Councilman Evans funds moved from economic development to center park improvements; seconded by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried.

Discussion March 16, 2021 Council Work Session: Mayor Harley that is an election day, ESPLOST. We have been cancelling the meeting and closing City Hall to staff on election days (lobby/lobby bathrooms and community room open for voters and election workers) and also closing City Hall the day after elections for cleaning following elections traffic. All of this has been the practice so as to keep City Hall staff safe by limiting exposure to COVID. Mayor entertained a motion to discuss whether to cancel the 03/16 meeting or have a virtual meeting. No motion offered initially. Mayor then recommended cancelling the meeting but could have a
special called meeting if city business came up that couldn’t wait until the April 6, 2021 meeting. Councilman Evans made motion accordingly; seconded by Councilman Andrews. Motion carried.

Discuss Archdale Water Tower: Councilman Evans recognized Director of Marketing Hogan. Ms. Hogan stated she has been working with Director Brumfield to get pricing/design ideas to paint the water tower. Have had a discussion with Suez Utility Service Co., Inc. and recommended Option 1 to paint new City logo on two sides as shown in handouts. Cost $14,035.00. Councilman Evans asked how often do we have to re-paint? Director of Operations Brumfield stated every 3-5 years. Cost would be included in our maintenance contract. Motion to approve made by Councilman Evans option 1; seconded by Councilman Armijo. Motion carried. WS repairs and maintenance funding source. See attached handouts made a part of minutes.

Comments from Council

Councilman Andrews Post 1, need to also fence in the park retention pond, for a later discussion.

Councilman Evans Post 3 just to piggyback on Post 1 comments, fencing the pond is already being discussed.

Councilman Armijo Post 4, as we head into spring, have some activities at the park, visit our website, visit your neighbors, encouraged all to come and enjoy the weather. We have a beautiful city.

Mayor Harley recommended looking at changing time of 1st council meeting of the month, instead of starting meeting at 7pm, why not have it at 6pm. Instructed City Attorney Tydings to review and get back with Mayor and Council. Received a thank you from Census Bureau, this goes to the citizens, they have earned this due to their efforts in responding to the Census, thanked them for participating.

Councilman Armijo, March is women’s history month, recognized women working at the city, county and state, they support us all.

Mrs. Hogan reminded everyone that April 10th is city wide clean-up day. Will place reminder on April 6 meeting agenda.

Meeting adjourned at 7:27pm.

Mayor John R. Harley

Attest by City Clerk Krista Bedingfield

Date