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TONY CLEMISHIRE, MAYOR

MINUTES FOR 5-14-2024 PUBLIC HEARING AND CITY COUNCIL MEETING

Council met on Tuesday, May 14, 2024 at 6:00pm in City Hall for a *PUBLIC HEARING* followed by a *REGULAR MEETING* of the City Council of the City of Howardwick. The Mayor, Mayor Pro-Tem, Council members, City Secretary, Tammy Brinson and 14 guests were in attendance.

PUBLIC HEARING: Mayor Tony Clemishire called the Public Hearing to order at 6:00pm.

1. Council and Texas Communities Group to hear from owners of Parcel ID #'s R7526 and R7531 if in attendance. Discuss and make decision on if the property is to be abated, repaired, demolished, removed or renovated and set the time frame allowed:

Sandy asked if anyone was present representing property #7531 lots 53-54 Comanche Section.

Mr. Daniel Frost was present. Sandy provided hearing packets and proceeded to inform the council of the conditions that were found by TCG/Code Enforcement Division and the violations they had been notified about. Mr. Frost was allowed to state his case on what he planned on doing to address the issues at hand. He indicated that it would take him over a year to get the structures up to code. Members of the public were allowed to express their concerns as well. Neighbors voiced their complaints about the noise from generators and living conditions, also they are worried about their safety and health. Mr. Frost indicated there was no electricity but they did have water. He could not produce evidence that he had a working septic system. Other neighbors complained about what they considered illegal dumping that was occurring during evening hours. After lengthy discussion, Jada made a motion to Demo the property since the issues have been ongoing since October of 2021 with no improvement. Motion failed doe to a lack of a second. Johnny made a motion to allow 30 days for Mr. Frost to clean up all the

trash and debris on the property, bring proof of electricity, water and that the septic system is in working order by the next council meeting on June 11, 2024. At that time the council will make a final decision as how to move forward. If they have not met the requirements and no improvements have been made, the city will proceed with Demo with no further notice being required. Johnny Hubbard seconded the motion. Vote taken, all approved with only Jada Murray opposed. Motion carried.

Sandy asked if anyone was present representing property #7526 lot 44 Comanche Section. Mr. Killham was not present for the hearing. Sandy provided hearing packets and proceeded to inform the council of the conditions that were found by TCG/Code Enforcement Division and the violations they had been notified about. After discussion by the council, Johnny Floyd made a motion to Demo the property for the health and safety of the city. Jada seconded the motion. Vote taken. All approved with none opposed. Motion carried.

Tony closed the public hearing at 6:45pm

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING

- 1. Call to order: Mayor Tony Clemishire called regular meeting to order at 6:45pm.
- 2. Invocation: Johnny Floyd gave the invocation
- 3. Pledge of allegiance: Everyone stood for the Pledge of Allegiance
- 4. Approve minutes for April 9, 2024: Mary made a motion to accept the minutes as written. Johnny Floyd seconded the motion. Vote taken. All approved with none opposed. Motion carried.
- 5. Approve bills due: Johnny Floyd made a motion to approve paying the bills due. Jada seconded the motion. Vote taken. All approved with none opposed. Motion carried.
- 6. Mayors Comments: Tony reminded everyone about the Hoedown and Dumpster Day.
- 7. Citizens comments and/or Public comments on Agenda items: At this time any citizen who has filled out an appearance card prior to meeting will be heard in order that card was turned in and as time allows. Each person will have 3 minutes. In accordance with the Texas Open Meetings Act, the City Council may not deliberate or vote on any matter raised regarding Citizens comments. In order to complete City Business this portion of the meeting will be limited to 15 minutes: Beverly McCaskill had turned in a comment but waived her time.

- 8. Council to nominate and appoint new mayor pro-tem. Take Action: Mary made a motion to nominate and appoint Johnny Floyd as Mayor Pro-Tem to replace Del Essary. Jada seconded the motion. Vote taken. All approved with non opposed Johnny Floyd recused himself from the vote. Motion carried. 9. Council to discuss parcel #8075. Sandy to update on status. Take Action: Mr. Padilla had been given 30 days from the last meeting to make improvements on his clean up efforts at 114 Billy Dr. Council members had pictures provided showing the condition as of today. It was agreed Mr. Padilla has made a huge effort. Jada made a motion to allow Mr. Padilla and additional 30 days to complete the demo and cleanup of the property. Mary seconded the motion. Vote taken. All approved with none opposed. Motion carried.
- 10. Council to approve resolution 184, authorizing signatures. Take Action: Terry made a motion to approve resolution #184, adding Johnny Floyd to the bank accounts and removing Del Essary. Mary seconded the motion. Vote taken. All approved with none opposed. Motion carried.

11. Adjourn: With no further business, meeting was adjourned.

Approved and signed this 11th day of June, 2024

Sandra Childress

City Secretary

Tony Clemishire

Mayor The Howardwick City