

# MINUTES OF REGULAR MEETING

January 8, 2020

## SHENANDOAH CITY COUNCIL

The meeting was called to order by Mayor M. Ritchey Wheeler at 7:00 p.m. City Council members present, Councilmember McLeod, Councilmember Bradt, Councilmember Gristy, Councilmember Fletcher and Councilmember Raymaker. City Administrator Kathie Reyer, City Secretary Courtney Clary, City Attorney William Ferebee, Finance Director Lisa Wasner, Police Chief Raymond Shaw, CVB Director John Mayner, IT Manager Chris Grizzaffi, Communications Manager Debbie Pilcher, and Kenny Eickelberg Director of Capital Projects and Infrastructure were also present.

### 1. CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Wheeler called the meeting to order at 7:00 p.m.

### 2. CALL OF ROLL

Mayor Wheeler stated for the record that Councilmember Gristy was absent and excused from the meeting.

### 3. PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

### 4. INVOCATION

Mayor Wheeler gave the invocation.

### 5. CITIZENS FORUM

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Marti Bradt: To view citizen's comments, please click [HERE](#)

### 6. COUNCIL'S INQUIRY

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Mayor Wheeler stated for the record that there were no Councilmembers wishing to speak.

### INDIVIDUAL CONSIDERATION

7. Discussion regarding curb address painting.

Ms. Reyer stated that the City would work with a vendor to receive volume rates with a minimum of 10 signing up. Residents could request and pay for it online. Ms. Reyer stated that staff discussed putting an Ordinance in place to set a standard and regulations to keep address markers consistent. She added that residents located in neighborhoods with HOA's provide a letter of approval from their HOA before curb painting services would be provided.

Councilmember McLeod stated that he requested the discussion because curb painting had been discussed in the past and that he felt emergency service providers and delivery drivers may have an easier time finding homes with home addresses painted on the curb with reflective paint that would be easy to see.

Councilmember Bradt stated that the only problem he could foresee would be how it would look if only a few homes requested the service. Mayor Wheeler stated that he also felt that it may not look uniform if only some residents opted to have this done. Councilmember Bradt also suggested potentially putting information be sent out with water bills.

Councilmember Raymaker asked Chief Shaw if he felt the curb address painting would be helpful to first responders. Chief Shaw stated that he felt it would be beneficial. Councilmember Raymaker added that he felt it was a good project to consider, but that it would need to be budgeted for and discussed further.

Mayor Wheeler stated that he liked the idea of having addresses and suggested also looking into the cost of having the option to include sports team logos. He added that he felt the

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concept was great, but that there were many different variables to consider and requested feedback from residents and more information.

Councilmember McLeod asked to have a survey added to the City website to get feedback from residents.

Ms. Reyer stated that staff would move forward with researching costs to having the City logo included with the address number, design alternatives and specific pricing to paint all resident addresses versus the cost to have it done individually.

8. Discussion regarding the addition of pathway lighting at the Toddler Park.

Ms. Reyer stated that the two additional proposed pathway lights would not be too bright, and that the existing security light would be replaced with LED.

9. Discussion and possible action to adopt the following Ordinance:

AN ORDINANCE OF THE CITY OF SHENANDOAH PROHIBITING CAMPING EXCEPT IN DESIGNATED AREAS.

COUNCILMEMBER MCLEOD MADE A MOTION TO ADOPT AN ORDINANCE PROHIBITING CAMPING EXCEPT IN DESIGNATED AREAS, COUNCILMEMBER RAYMAKER SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED 3/1 WITH COUNCILMEMBER BRADT AS THE OPPOSING VOTE.

10. Discussion and possible action to appoint members to the Sick Pool Committee.

COUNCILMEMBER MCLEOD MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE STAFF'S SUGGESTED APPOINTMENTS TO THE SICK POOL COMMITTEE, COUNCILMEMBER RAYMAKER SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED 4/0.

11. Discussion and possible action to cast votes for 2020 H-GAC Officers.

COUNCILMEMBER BRADT MADE A MOTION TO VOTE FOR THE 2020 HOUSTON-GALVESTON AREA COUNCIL OFFICERS, COUNCILMEMBER FLETCHER SECONDED. THE MOTION

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CARRIED 4/0.

12. Discussion and possible action to approve the minutes of the December 11, 2019 regular meeting.

COUNCILMEMBER FLETCHER MADE A MOTION TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE DECEMBER 11, 2019 REGULAR MEETING, COUNCILMEMBER BRADT SECONDED. THE MOTION CARRIED 4/0.

13. Non-Action Items.

The following budgeted items were authorized by the City Administrator, per Council approval:

- Police Tahoe Unit 19-04 Purchase - \$33,475.00
- Police Tahoe Unit 19-04 Emergency Equipment - \$14,462.92
- Microsoft Enterprise Agreement - \$16,795.68
- Police Units (3) – In Car Video Systems - \$17,400.00
- Park Greenspace Improvements - \$20,700.00
- Main Park Drainage - \$24,500.00

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15. City Administrator Updates.

Ms. Reyer presented the following updates:

- Pool and park drainage projects are in progress and ongoing
- Polar Bear Plunge event scheduled for Saturday, January 11, 2020
- Half of the Pincroft waterline project is done and progress will continue
- The Holly Hill cul-de-sac was Entergy's staging area and residents had questions about the mud and other residue at the site. Staff has contacted Entergy regarding cleaning the area.
- On January 9, 2020 Detective Joel Gordon would be recognized for his work with loss

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prevention at Home Depot, and the entire Shenandoah Police Department would be celebrated for their hard work

- The Stagg Bowl was a success and the City is proud to have hosted the event in 2018 and 2019 and of the hard work put in by the staff
- Happy Birthday to Councilmember Fletcher and Councilmember Raymaker who both have birthdays and January

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Councilmember Raymaker asked staff to contact Tachus regarding an annual update and asked that Chief Shaw to gather officer hours planned for the next quarter. Councilmember Raymaker also stated that the Stagg Bowl was great, and he offered special thanks to John Mayner and Debbie Pilcher for their work with the event.

Councilmember Fletcher stated that he liked the new police department hats and that the officers looked great with the addition to their uniforms. Councilmember Fletcher stated the too felt that the Stagg Bowl event was a success and he thanked staff for all the extra time they put in before, during, and after the event. He also stated that he was proud of Detective Joel Gordon and the entire Shenandoah Police Department for their hard work with loss prevention at Home Depot.

Councilmember Bradt also recognized staff for their efforts with the Stagg Bowl event and he stated that the visitors he encountered while selling programs were all very friendly.

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Councilmember McLeod stated that he too was impressed with the hard work put in by the staff for the Stagg Bowl event. Councilmember McLeod also encouraged residents to avoid parking in front of mailboxes and suggested placing reminders on vehicles that block mailboxes. He added that school was back in session and asked residents to be mindful of children waiting for buses or walking to and from school.

Mayor Wheeler stated that he was pleased to see more officers patrolling on Grogan's Mill Road. He then echoed Council by praising the staff for their work with the Stagg Bowl event. Mayor Wheeler also asked if Lifetime had begun construction because he was woken up at 5:00 a.m. by construction noise. Ms. Reyer stated that Lifetime had not started construction and that staff felt the noise was coming from an area of Research Forest outside of City limits.

#### EXECUTIVE SESSION

*Public notice is given that the City Council may elect to go into Executive Session at any time during the meeting in order to discuss any matters listed on the Agenda when authorized by the provisions of the Open Meeting Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code, to receive advice from legal counsel, to discuss matters of land acquisition, personnel matters or other lawful matters that are specifically related to items listed on this Agenda. Prior to any such closed session, the Mayor, in open session, will identify the agenda item to be discussed and the Section or Sections of Chapter 551 under which the closed discussion is authorized.*

Mayor Wheeler recessed the regular meeting to move into executive session at 7:48 p.m.

Executive Session – According to the Texas Open Meetings Act, Chapter 551 of the Texas Government Code as follows:

- i) Government Code § 551.087. Deliberation Regarding Economic Development Negotiations
  - PILOT Agreement with Memorial Hermann
- a) Consideration and if determined appropriate, take action resulting from the item(s) listed under Executive Session.

Mayor Wheeler resumed the regular meeting at 8:15 p.m. and stated for the record that no action was taken in executive session.

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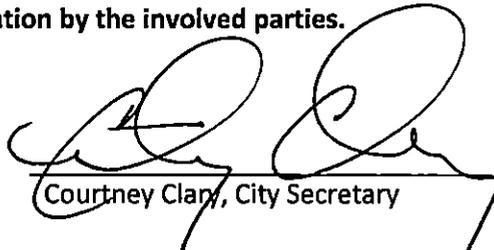
There being no further business, Mayor Wheeler adjourned the meeting at 8:16 p.m.

**ADJOURN**

*The Council may vote and/or act upon each of the items listed on this Agenda. One agenda item will be discussed at a time unless logic and practical consideration allow similar topics to be considered together for purposes of convenience and efficiency. The Council may retire into executive session concerning any of the items listed on this Agenda, whenever it is considered necessary and legally justified under the Open Meetings Act.*

Any discussion item on the City Council agenda permits City Council to question the involved parties or receive a presentation by the involved parties.

SUBMITTED BY:



Courtney Clay, City Secretary

DATE APPROVED:

02/12/2020



M. Ritchey Wheeler, Mayor