



CITY OF TEXARKANA
CITY COUNCIL
MINUTES • OCTOBER 9, 2017

Council Chambers
Regular Meeting
6:00 PM

220 TEXAS BLVD.
TEXARKANA, TX 75501

I. CALL TO ORDER, ROLL CALL, ESTABLISHMENT OF QUORUM

Attendee Name	Title	Status	Arrived
Bob Bruggeman	Mayor	Present	
Jean H. Matlock	Ward 1	Present	
Willie Ray	Ward 2	Absent	
Betty Williams	Ward 3	Present	
Christie Alcorn	Ward 4	Present	
Christy P. Paddock	Ward 5	Present	
Josh Davis	Ward 6	Present	

Staff Present: Interim City Manager Shirley Jaster, Jennifer Evans, Kyle Dooley, Jodie Lee, Beebe McFaul, Eric Schlotter, Karey Parker, Dusty Henslee, Kevin Davenport, Robby Robertson, Sherry Jackson Hawkins, Mashell Daniel, Chris Black, Kevin Schutte, Dan Shiner, David Orr, Hunter Fant, Dakota Huddleston, Alan Sikes, Marty Lawrence, Don Rich, Lucas Shelton, Brad Smith, and Jerry Sparks.

Legal Counsel: Jeff Lewis

II. INVOCATION AND PLEDGE BY COUNCIL MEMBER CHRISTY PADDOCK
III. MAYOR'S REMARKS AND ITEMS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST
Upcoming City Council Meetings:

Monday, October 23, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
Monday, November 13, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.
Monday, November 27, 2017 at 6:00 p.m.

Governor's Small Business Forum Meeting:

Thursday, October 26, 2017 from 8:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. - Texarkana Convention Center

Fall Farmers Market:

The Fall Market will continue to run on Saturdays until November 25th (with the exception of Saturday, November 18th). Hours are from 8:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon

Saturday, October 28th - Autumn Celebration

Parks & Recreation Events:

October 12 th	Movies in the Park* “Wonder Woman”	Spring Lake Park
October 19 th	Movies in the Park* “Hocus Pocus”	Spring Lake Park
October 19 th	Fall Festival	Spring Lake Park
October 21 st	Bark in the Park	Spring Lake Park
October 28 th	Community Yard Sale	Spring Lake Park

NOTE: *Movies are scheduled to start at dusk **Fall Fest begins at 5:00

For a complete list of Parks & Recreation activities and information call 903-798-3978 or visit the city website at <http://tx-texarkana.civicplus.com>

October is Domestic Violence Prevention month. The annual Komen Race for the Cure is scheduled for Saturday, October 21st and will be held at the Four States Fairgrounds.

This year's National Night Out (NNO), held on Tuesday, October 3rd, was a huge success. The schedule included 22 block parties held around the city. Council Member Williams participated with residents at the Collins Center building. Council Member Matlock took part in hosting residents at Bell Park. Council Member Alcorn also shared in the evening events. The Mayor thanked the council, staff and all the residents who shared in this year's NNO celebration.

Spring Lake Park will host the first annual Texarkana Down Syndrome Awareness Walk & Fun Day on Saturday, October 28th from 10:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. at the park pavilion. For more information, contact Melissa Massey at (903) 293.7734.

Student attendees were welcomed from various schools including Texas High School, Liberty Eylau High School and Texas A&M - Texarkana.

Hurricane Harvey Relief Responders Presentation

Mayor Bruggeman and Fire Chief Eric Schlotter presented certificates of excellence to city staff who assisted with relief efforts in south Texas due to the recent hurricane and flooding.

Recipients recognized were: Inspections staff - Keith Lee, and Fire staff - Chris Black, Ken Chamblee, Hunter Fant, Dakota Huddleston, Owen Jones, Marty Lawrence, Lane Peeples, Don Rich, Lucas Shelton, Alan Sikes, Brad Smith, and John Taylor.

Appointments to Boards & Commissions

Council Member Alcorn recommended the following people for reappointment to the Zoning Board of Adjustment: Rusty Felts, Ellen Moore (regular members) and Stuart McDonald, Larry Bunn (alternate members).

Council Member Williams recommended the following person for reappointment to the Planning and Zoning Commission: Tom Coleman.

Motion to make reappointments to various boards and commissions.

(6:27 p.m.)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Josh Davis, Ward 6
SECONDER:	Betty Williams, Ward 3
AYES:	Matlock, Williams, Alcorn, Paddock, Davis
ABSENT:	Ray
EXCUSED:	Bruggeman

IV. OPEN FORUM: COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC (LIMIT 5 MINUTES EACH)

Items scheduled for "Public Hearing" or have been heard at a previous "Public Hearing" are not to be addressed at the "Open Forum".

There were no public comments made at Open Forum.

V. ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION

Consent Items

(6:29 p.m.)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Josh Davis, Ward 6
SECONDER:	Christy P. Paddock, Ward 5
AYES:	Matlock, Williams, Alcorn, Paddock, Davis
ABSENT:	Ray
EXCUSED:	Bruggeman

1. Consider approval of the minutes of the Regular Meeting of the City Council held on September 25, 2017 at 6:00 PM.
2. Ordinance No. 2017-108 determining a lack of public necessity and abandoning a part of a utility easement in the vicinity of Central Mall.

Public Hearing:
Second Briefing:
Council Vote: October 9, 2017

- 3. Resolution No. 2017-110 authorizing the expenditure of Community Relations funds in support of the Live United Bowl Team's Banquet.

Public Hearing:
Second Briefing:
Council Vote: October 9, 2017

Action Items - None

VI. FIRST BRIEFINGS

- 1. Resolution No. 2017-109 amending the contract with Waste Management for solid waste pickup and transportation.

Public Hearing:
Second Briefing:
Council Vote: October 9, 2017

Dusty Henslee briefed this item.
(6:32 p.m.)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Christy P. Paddock, Ward 5
SECONDER:	Betty Williams, Ward 3
AYES:	Matlock, Williams, Alcorn, Paddock, Davis
ABSENT:	Ray
EXCUSED:	Bruggeman

VII. PUBLIC HEARINGS

- 1. Ordinance No. 2017-099 rezoning an approximate 2 acre tract of land in the R.E. Sevey HRS, A-523, located at 2407 Liberty Lane. Single Family-1 to Single Family-3. Military Warriors Support Foundation, owner. Mary Bowman (under contract to purchase), agent.

Public Hearing: October 9, 2017
Second Briefing: October 23, 2017
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Larry Hardy, resident adjacent to the subject property, addressed council at this public hearing.

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD	Next: 10/23/2017 6:00 PM
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2. Ordinance No. 2017-100 granting a Specific Use Permit to allow a double wide HUD code manufactured home on an approximate 2-acre tract of land in the R.E. Sevey HRS, A-523, located at 2407 Liberty Lane. Military Warriors Support Foundation, owner. Mary Bowman (under contract to purchase), agent.

Public Hearing: October 9, 2017
Second Briefing: October 23, 2017
Council Vote: November 13, 2017

There were no public comments made at this hearing.

RESULT:	MOVED FORWARD	Next: 10/23/2017 6:00 PM
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3. Resolution No. 2017-102 authorizing the City Manager to execute a lease purchase agreement with Dell Financial Services LLC for replacement computers and equipment for City of Texarkana, TX departments.

Public Hearing: October 9, 2017
Second Briefing: October 23, 2017
Council Vote: November 13, 2017

There were no public comments made at this hearing.

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VIII. SECOND BRIEFING WITH UPDATES - NONE

IX. SECOND BRIEFING WITHOUT UPDATES - NONE

X. ITEMS FOR DISCUSSION

Staff Updates - Policing Experience

Assistant Police Chief Kevin Schutte shared highlights and a video from the *Policing Experience* program. It is an adult public education program designed to help facilitate better understanding and communication between citizens and law enforcement. The program demonstrates the reasoning behind decisions that occur in law enforcement settings.

The training covers five basic areas of police work: 1) Administration duties, 2) SWAT element, 3) Patrol and traffic stops, 5) Criminal investigation and crime scene, and 5) Narcotics functions. This five-week program is very hands-on and interactive.

The program also gives elected officials and business leaders, who influence other community leaders, a real-life perspective of the daily activities and scenarios encountered by law enforcement staff.

It has been very successful and will continue to foster law enforcement transparency with citizens in the community.

XI. ADMINISTRATIVE COMMENTS

1. City Council

Council had no administrative comments for staff.

2. City Staff

Shirley Jaster announced that Chief Financial Officer Kristin Peeples and Firefighter Lane Peeples welcomed their newborn baby girl, Hensley Kate, into the world early this morning. Congratulations to the proud parents!

Assistant Chief Financial Officer Jodie Lee will fill in for Kristin while she is temporarily out of the office.

XII. CLOSED SESSION

The City Council convened into closed session pursuant to Texas Government Code Section 551.071 (Consultation with City Attorney) and Section 551.074 (Personnel Matters) to discuss or deliberate the appointment of Shirley Jaster as City Manager and authorization for a City Manager Employment Contract.

XIII. RECONVENED INTO OPEN SESSION

XIV. ADJOURNMENT

A motion was made to adjourn the meeting.
(8:17 p.m.)

RESULT:	ADOPTED [UNANIMOUS]
MOVER:	Jean H. Matlock, Ward 1
SECONDER:	Betty Williams, Ward 3
AYES:	Matlock, Williams, Alcorn, Paddock, Davis
ABSENT:	Ray
EXCUSED:	Bruggeman



Jennifer Evans
City Secretary



Bob Bruggeman
Mayor