

December 7, 2020

The Council for the Town of Carrollton met in regular session on Monday, December 7, 2020, at 6:00 p.m., by teleconference, to abide by social distancing due to the COVID-19 pandemic.

The meeting was called to order by Mayor Scott Bartlett.

ROLL CALL

Roll call was taken and answered by the following: Councilwoman Bliss, Councilman Higgins, Councilwoman Horine by phone, Mayor Bartlett, Counselor Cowherd, Councilman Shields and Councilwoman Brunjes.

APPROVAL OF AGENDA

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilwoman Bliss to approve the Agenda as presented. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

Minutes for the Regular Meeting held on November 16, 2020 were presented.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Brunjes and seconded by Councilman Higgins to approve the minutes for the Regular Council meeting held on November 16, 2020 as presented. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

TABLED ITEM

No Agenda

NEW BUSINESS

- a. Bill 2020-28 Ordinance 2020-1361

An Ordinance Approving A Change In Zoning From Single-Family Dwelling District (R-1) To Agricultural District (A-1) For A Tract Of Land Located At 1400 North Jefferson Street.

The Mayor requested a reading of the Ordinance by Title.
Councilwoman Horine requested a second reading of the Ordinance by Title.

This was the tract of land that the Council approved for re-zoning at the previous Council meeting.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilman Shields to accept Bill 2020-28 as Ordinance 2020-1361. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

b. Demo Bids For 16 N. Main

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| Perkins Dozing | \$74,500 |
| Redrock | \$22,000 |

Both companies had a walk thru with Kim Burger.
There is not much basement space, mostly a crawl space. The tonnage will need to be hauled away.
Perkins Dozing had asked to bid and the City has previously used Redrock.
Discussion was held.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bliss and seconded by Councilwoman Horine to accept the bid from Redrock in the amount of \$22,000. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

Bill 2020-29 Ordinance 2020-1362

An Ordinance Authorizing The Town Of Carrollton To Enter Into A Contract With Redrock For The Demolition Of Building At 16 N. Main And Authorizing All Acts Necessary To Carry Out The Terms Of Such Agreement.

The Mayor requested a reading of the Ordinance by Title.
The Mayor requested a second reading of the Ordinance by Title.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilwoman Bliss to accept Bill 2020-29 as Ordinance 2020-1362. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

OLD BUSINESS

Kim Burger gave Council an update regarding the dangerous building located at 101 South Main.

Kim stated she received an email from the owner, Ron Wohlgemuth, wanting to know if the City would accept them deeding the property to the City, cost of demolition and if anyone would be interested in purchasing any of the brick. He also stated someone wanted to look at the building.

Redrock walked around the building but wasn't able to go inside and gave a ballpark figure of \$25,000 for demolition.

Councilman Shields suggested not to accept the property being deeded to the City. Councilwoman Horine agreed. It was also discussed that this would let the Wohlgermuths out of a lot of liability.

The Mayor stated the building was a dangerous structure and needs to come down. Maybe could give the owners an incentive, such as purchasing after the building has been demolished.

Counselor Cowherd stated the City can't allow the building to stand since it is a dangerous building and the City has a duty to public safety.

Need to let Redrock inside the building to get a more accurate estimate.

This matter will be addressed later after further investigation.

OFFICIAL REPORTS

a. Fire Chief – Lonnie Sensenich

28 calls for the month of November.

Budget has been completed and turned in.

Fire District paying for Medical Response three week class.

Brandon will conduct Fire Protection classes.

Fire Department Christmas dinner has been canceled.

Fire Board will meet in January.

Chief contacted Vern Dale Martin to offer assistance while the Street Dept. is in quarantine. Chief will be on call for the department.

b. Police Chief – Christopher Looney

2 death investigations this week.

The Department has either been in quarantine or extreme precaution.

Officer's deployment has now been moved up to the end of the week.

Chief made a proposal to the Council regarding unused vacation time and if the unused vacation time could be cashed out this year due to the many challenges caused by Covid-19, rather than employees losing that time. This would not be a permanent policy change but due to short staffing etc. that were caused by the pandemic.

Discussion was held.

A motion was made by Councilman Shields and seconded by Councilwoman Horine to allow employees to cash out unused vacation time this year only due to the challenges of staffing caused by the pandemic. Council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

MAYOR'S REPORT

a. City Hall was closed on December 2, 2020 due to Covid-19 exposure. One employee only has been there each day with doors locked. It will open again on December 10, 2020 with full staff. The entire Street Department is in quarantine.

b. Received questions regarding Restaurants and having dedicated parking spot for curbside pickup. Discussion was held and the Council did not

wish to take any action on this matter.

- c. Andy Riley offered his resignation from the Public Works Board

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilwoman Bliss to accept the resignation of Andy Riley from the Public Works Board. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

The Mayor nominated Jason Owens and Kemble Williams for positions on the Public Works Board.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilman Higgins to appoint Jason Owens to the Public Works Board to fill Andy Riley's unexpired term. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilman Higgins to appoint Kemble Williams to the Public Works Board. The motion passed without opposition with the following council members voting yes: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

REPORT OF COUNCIL

Horine: Suggested everyone should go see the beautiful decorations in the Park.

Higgins: Swore in three (3) Board members.
Inquired about the 5th wheel trailer that is on the front yard of a house on E. Benton. Chief Looney stated Kim had sent out a nuisance letter and it came back as no such address. A Notice has been posted and they will start issuing tickets.

Bliss: Library has their budget ready except waiting on bids for addition to heating and cooling system for more filtration in the building. They do have money in reserve for building improvement.

Brunjes: Reported that Bruce Miller would like Chief Looney to speak to him about the accident that caused damage to his property. Chief will call him.

Shields: Next meeting is his last meeting. December 15, 2020 filing opens up. If anyone has a suggestion, encourage them to file, it is a rewarding job.

Counselor: No Report.

Reimer: No Report.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Horine and seconded by Councilman Shields to pay the bills as presented. The motion passed without opposition. Council members voting yes were: Bliss,Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

GUEST ACKNOWLEDGMENT

The meeting was held by teleconference and there were no guests in attendance.

A motion was made by Councilwoman Bliss and seconded by Councilman Higgins to adjourn the Regular Meeting. The motion passed without opposition. Council members voting yes were: Bliss, Higgins, Horine, Shields and Brunjes.

The meeting adjourned at 6:45 p.m.

/s/ Dana L. Reimer
DANA L. REIMER, Clerk