



GLEN SMITH – Mayor
JOHNNY TRAN – Councilmember Place 1
DONNA HARVEY SCHULMAN – Councilmember Place 2
MARY CROCKER – Councilmember Place 3
TROY LEWIS – Councilmember Place 4
WAYNE DODD – Councilmember Place 5
STEPHEN MCGOVERN – Councilmember Place 6

**CITY OF PALACIOS
CITY COUNCIL REGULAR MEETING MINUTES
November 12, 2019**

REGULAR COUNCIL MEETING 7PM

CALL TO ORDER – Mayor Glen Smith at 7 pm

INVOCATION – Councilmember Crocker

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE – Councilmember Schulman

PLEDGE TO TEXAS FLAG – Councilmember Schulman

PLEDGE TO PALACIOS FLAG – Councilmember Schulman

VISITOR / CITIZEN FORUM

1. Jennifer Chau updated Council on the Lucky Strykes Mayoral Dog Race Fundraiser.
2. Robert Piscasio stated that he is opposed to the acceptance of the bid from Matagorda County Hospital District for the purchase of property owned by the City of Palacios located at 312 Main Street, Palacios and requested the item to be tabled.
3. Judge Chau announced his retirement as of December 31, 2019.
4. Chip Woolf suggested that Council proceed with caution on a 380 agreement between the City of Palacios and SAL Holdings, LLC.

PROCLAMATION – Proclaim January 2020 as School Board Recognition Month

ADMINISTRATIVE REPORTS

1. Update on Downtown Revitalization Project – City Manager David Kocurek updated Council on the project stating that touch up work, lights, and handrails should be complete before Christmas.
2. Thanksgiving Lunch at City Hall November 14th at Noon
3. Seaside Holiday is Saturday December 7th, 2019
4. Christmas Party Friday December 13th at 6pm at the Pavilion
5. Update on Fire Station – Mike Hooper updated Council on the project stating that it is 95% complete and should finish below budget.

ITEMS TO BE CONSIDERED

1. Discuss and consider award of hospital equipment contract for base bid and alternate for contract CEF #7218250 to Imaging Associates in the amount of \$98,000.00
Councilmember McGovern motioned to award the contract to Imaging Associates in the amount of \$98,000.00
Councilmember Lewis seconded
There was no opposition
With no opposition, the motion carried
2. Discuss and consider accepting the bid of Matagorda County Hospital District for the purchase of property owned by the City of Palacios located at 312 Main Street, Palacios, Texas
Councilmember Schulman motioned to accept the bid from Matagorda County Hospital District for the purchase of 312 Main Street, Palacios, Texas
Councilmember Crocker seconded
Mayor Glen Smith abstained from voting

Councilmember Tran – absent

AYE – 4

NAY – 1

The motion carried

3. Discuss and consider award of construction contract for base bid and alternate for contract 7218351 Water Improvements Grant to Mercer Construction in the amount of \$268,482.00
Mayor Glen Smith motion to award a construction contract to Mercer Construction in the amount of \$268,482.00
Councilmember McGovern seconded
There was no opposition
With no opposition, the motion carried
4. Discuss and consider action to approve Resolution 2019-R-17 to dissolve the City of Palacios Bingo Tax Fee paid to the City of Palacios
Councilmember McGovern motion to approve Resolution 2019-R-17
Councilmember Crocker seconded
There was no opposition
With no opposition, the motion carried
5. Discuss and consider action to approve Resolution 2019-R-21 nominating John Connor to serve on the Matagorda County Appraisal District's Board of Directors for the 2020/2021 term.
Councilmember Dodd motion to approve Resolution 2019-R-21
Councilmember Lewis seconded
There was no opposition
With no opposition, the motion carried
6. Discuss and consider approving a Chapter 380 Economic Development agreement between the City of Palacios and SAL Holdings, LLC
Councilmember McGovern motioned to approve a Chapter 380 agreement between the City of Palacios and SAL Holdings, LLC
Councilmember Dodd seconded
Councilmember Tran – absent
AYE – 4
NAY – 2
The motion carried
7. Discuss and consider approving the use of Govdeals.com for the City of Palacios online auctions for surplus property such as vehicles, furniture, etc
Councilmember McGovern motioned to approve the use of Govdeals.com for the City of Palacios online auctions for surplus property
Councilmember Lewis seconded
There was no opposition
With no opposition, the motion carried
8. Discuss and consider cancelling the November 26, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.
Mayor Glen Smith motioned to cancel the November 25, 2019 Regular Council Meeting
Councilmember Dodd seconded
There was no opposition
With no opposition, the motion carried
9. Discuss and consider cancelling the December 24, 2019 Regular Council Meeting.
Councilmember Crocker motioned to cancel the December 24, 2019 Regular Council Meeting
Councilmember McGovern seconded
There was no opposition
With no opposition, the motion carried
10. Discuss and consider action to approve the following consent agenda items:
Minutes of the October 22, 2019 Regular Council Meeting
Approve the absence of Mayor Glen Smith from the October 22, 2019 Regular Council Meeting
Councilmember Lewis motioned to approve the consent agenda items
Councilmember Crocker seconded
There was no opposition
With no opposition, the motion carried

EXECUTIVE SESSION - Council adjourned for Executive Session at 7:41pm

In accordance with Chapter 551, Government Code, (Open Meetings Law) the Council May go into Executive (closed) session in order to:

Consult with its attorney (551.071)
Discuss Real Estate transaction (551.072)
Deliberation regarding prospective gifts or donation (551.073)
Discuss personnel matters (551.074)
 1. Discuss City Manager's Compensation
 2. Municipal Court Associate Judge
Deliberation regarding security devices (551.076)
Discuss economic development negotiations (551.087)

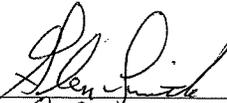
Council reconvened from executive session at 7:59 pm

ACTION ON EXECUTIVE SESSION:

1. Discuss and make a recommendation regarding City Manager's Compensation
 Councilmember Crocker motioned to increase the City Manager's compensation by 3%
 Councilmember Lewis seconded
 There was no opposition
 With no opposition, the motion carried
2. Appointment of Associate Municipal Judge for a 2 year term.
 Councilmember McGovern motioned to appoint Robert Garrett as Associate Municipal
 Judge for a 2 year term
 Councilmember Dodd seconded
 There was no opposition
 With no opposition, the motion carried

ADJOURN

Councilmember Dodd motioned to adjourn the meeting at 8:01 pm
Councilmember Lewis seconded
There was no opposition
With no opposition, the motion carried



Glen Smith, Mayor



Clissa Mills, City Secretary

