

**MINUTES
AZLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
DECEMBER 20, 2016**

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The City Council of the City of Azle, Texas met in Pre-Council Work Session at 6:00 p.m. and convened in Regular Session at 6:15 p.m. in the Council Chambers of City Hall, 613 Southeast Parkway, Azle, Texas, on the 20th day of December 2016 with the following members present:

Alan Brundrett	Mayor
Bill Jones	Mayor Pro Tem
William Chambers	Council Members
David McClure	
Paul Crabtree	
Rouel Rothenberger	
Lee Barrett	

Constituting a quorum. Staff present was:

Tom Muir	City Manager
Lawrence Bryant	Assistant City Manager
Susie Hiles	Assistant to City Manager
Yael Forgey	City Secretary
Cara White	City Attorney
Renita Bishop	Finance Director
Rick Pippins	Police Chief
Rick White	Public Services Director
Cat Schlueter	HR Manager
Eddie Wood	Emergency Services Administrator
Jimmy Duvall	Streets Superintendent
Ryan Hill	Utility Maintenance Supervisor

The following items were considered in accordance with the official agenda posted on the 16th day of December 2016.

PRE-COUNCIL WORK SESSION

6:00 p.m.

Mayor Brundrett called the work session to order at 6:00 p.m. Council and Staff discussed the regular agenda.

Mayor Brundrett closed the work session at 6:15 p.m.

REGULAR SESSION

6:15 p.m.

CALL TO ORDER

Mayor Brundrett called the regular session to order at 6:20 p.m.

INVOCATION

Pastor Tim Stevens from the Azle First Assembly of God Church gave the invocation.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Brundrett led the Pledge of Allegiance

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CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

None

CONSENT AGENDA

1. **Consideration and/or action approving the City Council Minutes for the December 6, 2016 regular meeting.**
2. **Consideration and/or action on entering into an Interlocal Cooperative Purchasing Agreement with the City of Cedar Hill.**
3. **Consideration and/or action on awarding the bid for the Nations Drive and Park Street Rehabilitation to Pavecon in the amount of \$342,441.20.**

Councilman Rothenberger moved to approve Consent Agenda Items 1, 2, and 3 as presented and discussed. Councilman McClure seconded the motion.

The vote is as follows:

Ayes: Brundrett, Jones, Chambers, McClure, Crabtree, Rothenberger, and Barrett

Nays:

Abstentions:

Mayor Brundrett declared the motion carried unanimously.

ACTION ITEMS

4. **Discussion and consideration of all matters incident and related to approving and authorizing publication of notice of intention to issue certificates of obligation, including the adoption of Resolution 2016-10 pertaining thereto.**

Mayor Brundrett recognized City Manager Muir who reminded everyone this CO was budgeted and approved during Budget session FY 2016-2017 to purchase the Automated Meter Reading System in the amount of \$1.35 Million.

Mayor Pro-tem Jones moved to approve Resolution 2016-10 a Resolution approving and authorizing publication of notice of intention to issue Certificates of Obligation. Councilman Rothenberger seconded the motion.

The vote is as follows:

Ayes: Brundrett, Jones, Chambers, McClure, Crabtree, Rothenberger, and Barrett

Nays:

Abstentions:

Mayor Brundrett declared the motion carried unanimously.

5. **Discussion and consideration of all matters incident and related to declaring expectation to reimburse expenditures with proceeds of future debt, including the adoption of Resolution 2016-11 pertaining thereto.**

Councilman Rothenberger moved to approve Resolution 2016-11 a Resolution declaring expectation to reimburse expenditures with proceeds of future debt. Mayor Pro-tem Jones seconded the motion.

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The vote is as follows:

Ayes: Brundrett, Jones, Chambers, McClure, Crabtree, Rothenberger, and Barrett

Nays:

Abstentions:

Mayor Brundrett declared the motion carried unanimously.

6. Consideration and/or action regarding approval of the award for the purchase and installation of advanced metering infrastructure.

Mayor Brundrett recognized Public Services Director White who briefed the council on the bid process. After Staff reviewed the bids and were provided a demonstration by the top two bidders, Staff is recommending the council award this bid to "Atlas Utility Supply Company" in the amount of \$1,393,485.49. Mr. White, along with Mr. Alan Breese - Sales Support Manager for Badger Meter Company and Mr. Dennis (DJ) Johnson - Sales Manager for Atlas Utility Supply explained the technology of the automated meter reading system and the benefits for the city by installing this system.

Councilman Rothenberger moved to award the bid to "Atlas Utility Supply Company" to purchase and install the advanced metering infrastructure in the amount of \$1,393,485.49 as recommended by staff Mayor Pro-tem Jones seconded the motion.

The vote is as follows:

Ayes: Brundrett, Jones, McClure, Crabtree, Rothenberger, and Barrett

Nays: Chambers

Abstentions:

Mayor Brundrett declared the motion carried 6:1:0

7. Consideration and/or action authorizing renewal of employee health, dental, term life and disability insurance coverages with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas (health) and Sun Life Financial (dental and term life/disability).

Mayor Brundrett recognized Human Resource Manager Schlueter who invited Ms. Hollerich from the Insurance Benefits Team. Ms. Hollerich explained the difficulty in finding a health insurance company that would agree to insure the city employees. Since the last renewal, the city paid BCBSTX approximately \$1.28 million in premiums, while BCBSTX has paid out \$1.9 million in claims. BCBSTX proposed a rate increase for the next 12 months of 39.9%. The employees will have 2 options to choose from - PPO and Health Saving Account (HSA).

Mayor Pro-tem Jones moved to authorize the renewal of employee health, dental, term life and disability insurance coverages with Blue Cross Blue Shield of Texas (health) and Sun Life Financial (dental and term life/disability) as recommended by staff. Councilman Chambers seconded the motion.

The vote is as follows:

Ayes: Brundrett, Jones, Chambers, McClure, Crabtree, Rothenberger, and Barrett

Nays:

Abstentions:

Mayor Brundrett declared the motion carried unanimously.

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MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

Mayor Brundrett attended the Council meeting at the City of Springtown to support the Servolution program as they would like to expand to the city of Springtown.

The City's ISO was improved from 4 to 3/3Y, effective date May 1, 2017. This will help the residents of the city to get lower insurance rates. Copy of the letter can be found on the city website.

January 3, 2017, council meeting is canceled.

ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brundrett adjourned the meeting at 8:09 p.m.

APPROVED:



Alan Brundrett, Mayor

ATTEST:



Yael Forgey, City Secretary