

**MINUTES
AZLE CITY COUNCIL MEETING
July 18, 2017**

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CITY OF AZLE §

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 June 2017 with the following members present:

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

Also present was:

Tom Muir	City Manager
Yael Forgey	City Secretary
Lawrence Bryant	Assistant City Manager
Susie Hiles	Assistant to the City Manager
Cara White	City Attorney
Rick Pippins	Chief of Police
Will Scott	Fire Chief
Cat Schlueter	Human Resource Manager

The following items were considered in accordance with the official agenda posted on the 16th day of June 2017.

PRE-COUNCIL WORK SESSION

6:00 P.M.

Mayor Brundrett called the work session to order at 6:04 P.M.

Council and Staff reviewed and discussed the consent and regular agenda.

Mayor Brundrett closed the work session at 6:10 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 Jim Hartin – from Victory Christian Center gave the invocation

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

Mayor Brundrett led the Pledge of Allegiance.

PRESENTATION

- 1. A Proclamation designating the week of June 19 - 25, 2017 as Amateur Radio Week in the City of Azle**
Mayor Brundrett read the proclamation and presented it to Amateur Radio Relay League (ARRL) Representatives who thanked Council and invited everyone to attend the twenty-four hour emergency preparedness exercise during the ARRL

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Amateur Radio Field Day on June 24 - 25 at the Azle Emergency Operations Center located at the Azle Fire Department. They would also be conducting a Boy Scouts of America Merit Badge Class during the field day exercises.

2. Departmental Presentation: Human Resources

Mayor Brundrett recognized **Human Resources Manager Cat Schlueter** who gave an in-depth review of activities within the Human Resources Department. Mayor and Council thanked her for doing a good job and congratulated her on receiving the Human Resources Management Professional of the Year Award from the Texas Municipal Human Resources Association.

CITIZEN PARTICIPATION

This is an opportunity for citizens to address the City Council on matters which are not scheduled for consideration. In order to address the Council, please complete a Speaker's Request Form and submit to the City Secretary prior to the start of the Council meeting. All comments must be directed to the Presiding Officer, rather than an individual Council Member or city staff. Comments are limited to four minutes and must pertain to the subject matter listed on the Speaker's Request Form. Council may not comment publicly on issues raised, but may direct the City Manager to resolve or request the matter to be placed on a future agenda. Such public comments shall not include any "deliberation" as defined by Chapter 551 of the Government Code, as now or hereafter amended. If you have a subject that may require City Council action you may obtain a form from the City Secretary and request the item be placed on a future agenda.

None

CONSENT AGENDA

Consent Agenda Items are considered to be routine in nature and may be acted upon in one motion. Any item requiring additional discussion may be withdrawn from the Consent Agenda by the Mayor, Council Member or City Manager, and acted upon separately.

3. Consider any action on approving the Minutes of the June 6, 2017 regular City Council meeting.

4. Consider any action on appointing Paul Crabtree to Audit Committee as a Council appointee

5. Consider any action on authorizing the Fire Chief to enter into an agreement with Tarrant County College District Fire Service Training Center for live fire training at 4801 Marine Creek Parkway (TCCNW campus)

Councilmember McClure moved to approve the Consent Agenda Items 3, 4, and 5 as presented and discussed. Councilmember Rothenberger seconded the motion.

The vote is as follows:

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

Nays:

Abstentions:

Mayor Brundrett declared motion carried unanimously 7:0:0

ACTION ITEMS/PUBLIC HEARING

6. Consider any action on a request by the Azle Ministerial Alliance to utilize Central Park; a firetruck; a waiver of the fees charged for Azle Fire Department personnel and equipment; a waiver of fees for the rental of the Pavilion and Amphitheater; approving a Council Variance allowing a fireworks permit be issued and a waiver of the fireworks permit fee contingent on all requirements being met for the Follow the Flag event on July 4, 2017.

Mayor Brundrett recognized City Manager Muir who stated this is the annual event of the Follow the Flag Fireworks for the 4th of July celebration and introduced Chaplain Glyn Murphy who asked the Council to waive the fees related to the rental of the park, pavilion, firetruck, permit fees and any other fees associated with this event. In response to Council's questions regarding the fireworks display, Chaplain Murphy stated the fireworks keep getting bigger and better with every year and invited everyone to attend.

Councilman Rothenberger moved to approve the request of the Azle Ministerial Alliance to utilize Central Park; a fire truck; a waiver of the fees charged for the fire truck; a waiver of the fees for the rental of the Pavilion and Amphitheater; approving a Council Variance allowing a fireworks permit be issued and a waiver of the fireworks permit fee contingent on all requirements being met for the Follow the Flag event on July 4, 2017. Mayor Pro Tem Jones seconded the motion

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

Nays:

Abstentions:

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7. Consider any action on a request from the Azle Area Chamber of Commerce for street closures, traffic control, security, use of Central Park, and waiver of fees & permits for their Annual Sting Fling Festival.

Mayor Brundrett introduced the Agenda Item and recognized City Manager Muir who invited Azle Area Chamber of Commerce Board President and Sting Fling Co-Chair, Kim Ware,, Sting Fling Co-Chair Darlene Tucker, and Chamber Executive Director Shelia Pippins to give an overview of the event,. Ms. Ware gave a brief review about the event. The Azle Area Chamber of Commerce is planning on holding their Annual Sting Fling Festival and 5K Run and was here to ask Council for street closures, traffic control, security, use of Central Park, and waiver of fees & permits. Mr. Muir stated that city staff had a meeting with the Chamber and they worked out all the details with the Police and Fire Departments along with the Parks Department. Chief of Police Pippins stated he contacted the Texas Department of Transportation requesting approval to close Main Street to allow pedestrians to walk safely within the entire venue, for the parade to proceed safely, as well as allow the police and fire to respond quickly to emergencies.

Mayor Pro Tem Jones moved to approve the request from the Azle Area Chamber of Commerce for Street Closures, Traffic Control, Security, use of Central Park, and Waiver of Fees & Permits for their Annual Sting Fling Festival and 5K Run. Councilman Simpson seconded the motion.

The vote is as follows:

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

Nays:

Abstentions:

Mayor Brundrett declared motion carried unanimously 7:0:0

MAYOR/COUNCIL COMMENTS OF COMMUNITY INTEREST

- 06/24-25/17 Amateur Radio Field Day.
- 06/30/2016 Music in the Park **Aurora Bleu Band**
- 07/07/2017 Central Park clean up following 4th of July event, meet at 7:00 am at the Gazebo
- 07/15//2017 Movie at the Park – Finding Dora
- An anonymous donor has pledged to pay 75% of the cost (approximately \$60,000) for shade covers for Central Park playground.

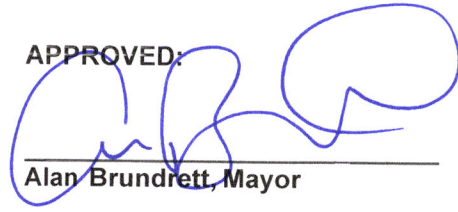
ADJOURNMENT

Mayor Brundrett adjourned the meeting at 7:18 P.M.

PRESENTED AND APPROVED this the 18th day of July 2017.

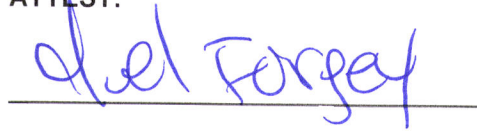
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APPROVED:



Alan Brundrett, Mayor

ATTEST:



Yael Forgey, City Secretary